

BTEC Subsidiary Diploma in Photography (Art & Design) Level 3



INTRODUCTION

This one year courses are designed to prepare you to progress on the Extended Diploma in the second year, and then to Higher Education or for a career in Photography.

This course will also give you the opportunity to sample a wide variety of practical techniques and processes in order to help you formulate ideas and decide which area of Photography you might wish to pursue. They will also help you to develop an understanding of visual language and give you a broad foundation in visual and technical Photography Skills, in both traditional black and white and digital photography. The Subsidiary Diploma is equivalent to 1 GCE A Level grade A*-C. The Extended Diploma, studied in the following year, is equivalent to 3 GCE A Levels grade A*-C.

WHAT WILL I DO

During this course you will complete a series of practical projects using both Black & White wet processes and digital photography, and manipulation using a variety of techniques and processes. You will study many areas of Photography including: Black & White, Digital, Studio Work, Landscape Photography and Portraiture. You will also learn about how other photographers produce their work, how to research in order to generate ideas and how to analyse photographic work. You will also develop your visual awareness and ability.

There are no examinations on this course, instead you will be graded on each project and these marks will add together to give you your final grade.

You will also be expected to study English and Mathematics Functional Skills.

As a Photography student you will have access to all of our Art, Design & Media facilities, which include dedicated studios for Art & Design, Ceramics and Print. A Film & Television Studio and Video Editing Suites. A Photography Studio, Black & White Dark Room, Developing Suite and Apple Mac Suites.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE

The Subsidiary Diploma is studied full time for one year. Should you wish to progress, the full Extended Diploma is studied full-time for second year, normally from September to June.

ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

4 GCSE's at grade A*-C and a portfolio of work which demonstrates your enthusiasm for the subject. You should also have a good school reference, including a good attendance record, which you should bring with you to your interview.

You must also pass a diagnostic screener in English at Level 2.

WHERE COULD IT LEAD

Successful completion of the course would allow you to progress to the Extended Diploma in Photography, and then on to Higher Education to study Photography.

Should you decide to enter the world of employment the Subsidiary Diploma is equivalent to 1 GCE A Levels grade A*-C. The Extended Diploma, studied in the following second year, is equivalent to 3 GCE A Level grade A*-C.

FEES

Full time Courses are free for those who are under 19 on 31 August of the year they start their course. For others, fees may vary depending on personal circumstances. Please enquire for details.

ADDITIONAL COSTS

There is a studio fee of £30.00, payable by November, and you may be asked to pay for educational visits. You will also be expected to provide your own personal media materials e.g. mini DV tapes, SD cards, external hard drives, camera film, printing costs.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Where courses last for more than one year, only the first year's fees are shown.

HOW TO APPLY

You can apply for this course by applying online, by filling out an application form from the College prospectus or by contacting the Information Officer on 01205 313218 for further information.

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