

Level 3 UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Practice

Art, Design and Communication

Why study this course at Cronton Sixth Form?

Cronton is an exciting challenging and dynamic environment in which to study, where students have access to high quality specialist resources, equipment and technical support, resulting in 100% achievement rates in the Vocational Arts area this year. Some of our recent trips have included Berlin and London. You will also take part in regular exhibitions and engage in exciting live projects throughout the year!

What will I study?

The course offers students the opportunity to study a wide range of Art and Design subjects. It is ideal for those aiming to progress to higher education and careers in the art and design industries but have not settled on a specialism.

You will be taught by a range of experienced staff who are also practicing artists. Field trips and visits to exhibitions are organised throughout the course to help inspire you and develop a thorough knowledge of art and design enabling you to choose a specialist pathway for the second year of the course. The course units are delivered through assignment briefs and the completion of practical project work. Your work is assessed by your tutors and the grades awarded are externally verified by the exam board.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment is continuous. You will be marked on project work which will provide the evidence on which your grades will be based. There is no formal exam at the end of the course. Your work will be assessed by your tutors and moderated by UAL. You will be encouraged to work independently using your own initiative and finding your own solutions.

Entry Requirements

A minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 9 – 4 including a Grade 4 in English Language, a Grade 3 in Maths and a grade 9 – 4 in an Art and Design related subject. You will also be asked to submit a portfolio of work.

Opportunities

Students studying in the School of Creative Arts and Media will be inspired by our practicing artists/ tutors to develop and nurture their own creative talents. They will benefit from a wide range of experiences provided through our partnerships with leading industry experts.

These include international trips to New York, Berlin and Paris, national competitions, master classes and key note events at Tate Liverpool and a High Profile Annual Exhibition.

Portfolio

All students applying for an Art and Design course will be expected to show a portfolio of work at interview.



Can I study this course if I have not taken it at GCSE?

You can, with the evidence of a strong portfolio of work.

Enrichment Opportunities

Learners are given the opportunity to get involved with other subjects to enrich the college experience. Sessions are typically offered in photography, dance, art, image manipulation, music production, gym sessions, book club, film club, and fashion design. A range of Enrichment activities are offered such as Dance, Gym, Drama, Art, Fashion etc

What can this course lead on to?

On completion of this qualification you may progress to Higher Education to study for HND Foundation Degree or BA (Hons) Degree in a wide range of art and design related subjects, including Fine Art, Sculpture, Graphics, Photography, Product Design, Car Design, Design Crafts, Interior and Spatial Design and Special Effects. Alternatively you may choose to seek employment within your chosen field of study. You will be advised and assisted in your choice of progression by your course tutors.

Any additional costs?

You will be provided with a textiles kit list upon your arrival to enrolment for the course.

You will be expected to provide some of your own art materials and some equipment. Visits to Museums, Galleries and Exhibitions may involve a charge.

What have previous students said about this subject?

“The course at Cronton has opened my eyes in terms of the type of art I could potentially pursue in my future. Student sketch books are really inspiring and really make you believe in yourself and they can be used to gain future employment.”

Outstanding Facilities

A new media facility with separate editing area equipped with industry standard editing and image manipulation software.

Ofsted Outstanding 2020

Our students

“Relationships between learners, apprentices and their teachers and assessors are excellent”

“Learners and apprentices develop their confidence, resilience and strong independence skills”

