CTEC Level 3 Diplomas in Art & Design

AIMS OF THE COURSE

The CTEC Introductory Diploma is designed for students who are interested in Art and Design. The Diploma and Extended Diploma are for students who are more attracted to a career in the Art and Design industry. Any of the above courses prepare students for progression onto higher education.

COURSE CONTENT

The Introductory Diploma course is the equivalent to one A Level, to be studied by combining it with two other A Levels or equivalents. The Diploma is equivalent to 2 A Levels, it can be combined as art and photography, or you can study just art. The Extended Diploma is a full time art course, equivalent to 3 A Levels, and can be combined with photography and/or textiles.

The course is based around one mandatory unit alongside additional specialist units which enable students to choose and study particular Art and Design subject areas in depth. These areas could cover printmaking, Fine Art, graphic design, painting, multimedia, 3D and large scale design.

Students learn by completing assignments that are based on realistic Art & Design studio and workplace scenarios, challenges and briefs. They are encouraged to realise their creative potential by applying their ideas, techniques and training to these problem solving assignments using a variety of different art practices. Critical and contextual studies of other artists' work are also used to develop students' practical and theoretical understanding.

ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

All work undertaken throughout the two year course counts towards the final grade, there is no examination element.

Candidates can be awarded a Fail, Pass, Merit, Distinction for their work. All work is assessed internally, standardised internally and externally moderated.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Upon completing any of these courses, students could go into Higher Education to study at Foundation or possibly Degree Level in areas including Graphic Design, Advertising, Fashion Design, Textiles, Multimedia or Fine Art. Alternatively, students can use the qualification to enter into other areas of training.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The minimum entry requirements for Level 3 applied study apply. In addition, students must have achieved at least a grade 4 or Merit at Level 2 in a creative subject. Students who have not studied Art at Level 2 will be asked to provide examples of their work to demonstrate their aptitude for the course.