

Introduction:

The Creative Design Faculty

The Creative Design Faculty is made up of several departments that include Design & Technology, Media Studies, Art & Design and Photography. The curriculum offered is designed to be inclusive for all and mirror skill sets that are reflected in industries. The pathways offered enable students to opt into their preferred skill sets following Y9 and it is possible for the more creative student to study more than one subject at GCSE level. The suite of subjects all follow into post 16 within the faculty or offered in other establishments in the Cabot Learning Federation.

Qualification: GCSE Product Design 3D

Exam Board: AQA

What are the main topics I will study in Product Design 3D?

This is a very flexible and wide ranging Design and Technology GCSE. At the end of the course you will be familiar with a range of materials including wood, metal and plastics. You will learn how to work with them accurately to make useful products. You will work very much as a professional designer would. We will study the products we buy in the high street and investigate how they are designed, manufactured and sold. Typical major projects might involve the production of jewellery, furniture, clothes and aids to help the elderly or people with a disability.

How will I be assessed in Product Design 3D?

Controlled assessment consists of a precise design folder which explains the problem you have chosen to look into from the research you undertake to the manufacture of a prototype or scale model of your design. There is also an exam at the end of the course and will make up 40% of the GCSE grade. There is one single paper with two sections.

Am I suited to Product Design 3D

This course will particularly suit those students considering career paths in Engineering, Product Design, Interior Design, Architecture or those thinking of moving on to Apprenticeships. Following the GCSE course, there is an opportunity to study A Level Product Design

Qualification: Product Design Textiles

Exam Board: AQA

What are the main topics I will study for the qualification?

This is a very flexible and wide ranging Design and Technology GCSE. At the end of the course you will be familiar with a range of textile materials. You will learn how to manipulate, manufacture and construct a variety of textile products, such as pyjamas, corsets, children's toys, bags ...in fact at the end of the course you can make anything you want. You will learn how to use the sewing machine with confidence and skill. You will work very much as a professional designer would. We will study the products we buy in the high street and investigate how they are designed, manufactured and sold.

How will I be assessed in the subject?

Controlled assessment consists of a design folder which explains the design theme and task you have chosen to look into. From this you will research the theme, current products on the market and your client needs. You will then design and develop your ideas through sketching and modelling techniques to finally produce an end product for your client. This section of the course makes up 60% of the GCSE grade. There is also an exam at the end of the course that tests your theoretical knowledge about manufacturing products and this makes up 40% of the GCSE grade.

Am I suited to Product Design Textiles?

This course will particularly suit those students considering career paths in the creative and/or technical industry. Careers in the creative field include Fashion Design, Textile Design, Interior Design and Print design. In the technical field, careers might include, Textile Technologist, Garment Technologist or any of the new emerging smart material technology industries.

This course will also suit those students considering career paths in Fashion/Interior retail, marketing and buying. Following the GCSE course, there is an opportunity to study A Level Textiles or Product Design.

Year 10

Qualification: Hospitality

Exam Board: EDUQAS

What are the main topics I will study in Hospitality?

The current GCSE Hospitality and Catering specification offers a unique opportunity for candidates to develop their knowledge and extend their skills within hospitality and catering in a vocational context. The Hospitality GCSE qualification concentrates on the hospitality aspect of the hospitality and catering industry and, in particular, the skills related to the preparation and carrying out of events and functions. Areas of study include:

- The industry – hospitality.
- Types of service provided and the related client groups.
- Job roles, employment opportunities and relevant training.
- Menu planning, preparation and presentation.
- Planning for functions and events.
- Costing menus and events.
- Customer care.
- Standards of service.
- Communication and teamwork.
- Environmental considerations.

How will I be assessed in Hospitality?

The specification encourages the investigation and study of hospitality and catering in a variety of contexts and uses a range of assessment techniques to enable the candidate to respond through practical and investigative work.

The Hospitality GCSE single award consists of completing two units:

1. Hospitality skills related to events and functions.
 - One controlled event based task.
 - Internally assessed (45 hours in total)
 - Total = 60% GCSE qualification
2. Hospitality and the Customer
 - Written Examination Paper - 1¼ hour paper
 - Total = 40%. GCSE qualification

GCSE Hospitality will be awarded for the last time in summer 2018. Eduqas has developed a GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition qualification, accredited by Ofqual, for teaching from 2016

Am I suited to Hospitality?

This course is currently undertaken by year 10 students who have shown an interest in the structure of the catering & hospitality industries and are interested in career opportunities within these areas. The curriculum focuses on the production of food for consumption by paying customers as well as the different roles which exist within the industry. Learners should be aware that this is not a course which is purely practical.

This GCSE is a suitable qualification for those who want a broad background in this area and for those who wish to progress to further education. It will offer valuable preparation for those entering the world of work. You will be provided with opportunities to work both individually and as a member of a team and to develop the qualities of sensitivity, creativity and aesthetic appreciation, as well as an interest in and enjoyment of food preparation, presentation and service, aspects of marketing and business.

This course will particularly suit those students who respond to practical activities and are interested in a career in the Hospitality or Catering industry. Following the GCSE course, there are a variety of opportunities to extend your knowledge and qualifications through a variety of further studies in either Catering, Hospitality, Food Preparation and Nutrition.

Year 11

Qualification: Catering

Exam Board: EDUQAS

What are the main topics I will study in Catering?

The current GCSE Hospitality and Catering specification offers a unique opportunity for candidates to develop their knowledge and extend their skills within hospitality and catering in a vocational context.

The Catering GCSE qualification concentrates on the food preparation and service aspect of the hospitality and catering industry. Students will be provided with the opportunity to plan, prepare and make food dishes, for a variety of customers. Areas of study include:

The industry – food and drink.

Job roles, employment opportunities and relevant training.

Health, safety and hygiene.

Food preparation, cooking and presentation.

Nutrition and menu planning.

Costing and portion control.

Specialist equipment.

Communication and record keeping.

Environmental considerations.

How will I be assessed in Catering?

The specification encourages the investigation and study of hospitality and catering in a variety of contexts and uses a range of assessment techniques to enable the candidate to respond through practical and investigative work.

The Catering GCSE single award consists of completing two units:

1. Catering Skills relating to food preparation and service.

- Two practical tasks: Task 1 (20%) & Task 2 (40%)
- Internally assessed (45 hours in total)
- Total = 60%

2. Catering Theory Food and the Customer

- Written Examination Paper - 1¼ hours
- Total = 40%.

GCSE Catering will be awarded for the last time in summer 2017. Eduqas has developed a GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition qualification, accredited by Ofqual, for teaching from 2016

Am I suited to Catering?

This course is currently undertaken by year 11 students who have shown an interest in the structure of the catering & hospitality industries and are interested in career opportunities within these areas. This GCSE is a suitable qualification for those who want a broad background in this area and for those who wish to progress to further education. It will offer valuable preparation for those entering the world of work. You will learn the basic knowledge of nutrition and understand the relationship between diet and health. You will be provided with opportunities to work both individually and as a member of a team and to develop the qualities of sensitivity, creativity and aesthetic appreciation, as well as an interest in and enjoyment of food preparation, presentation and service, aspects of marketing and business.

This course will particularly suit those students who respond to practical activities and are interested in a career in the Hospitality or Catering industry. Following the GCSE course, there are a variety of opportunities to extend your knowledge and qualifications through a variety of further studies in either Catering, Hospitality, Food Preparation and Nutrition.

Qualification: Art & Design

Exam Board: AQA

What are the main topics I will study for the qualification?

The qualification features a wide range of skills including Art, craft and design, Fine art, Graphic communication and Photography. Students work to their strengths and follow a skills based program of study in year 10 and use this experience to produce personal projects in year 11.

How will I be assessed in the subject?

Component 1: Portfolio ; A sustained project developed in response to a subject, theme, task or brief evidencing the journey from initial engagement with an idea(s) to the realisation of intentions. This will give students the opportunity to demonstrate, through an extended creative response, their ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skills and/or understanding from across their course of study.

Component 2: Externally set assignment; The externally set assignment provides students with the opportunity to demonstrate, through an extended creative response, their ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skills and/or understanding in response to their selected starting point. The extended creative response must explicitly evidence students' ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skill and/or understanding from initial engagement with their selected starting point through to their realisation of intentions in the 10 hours of supervised time.

Am I suited to this qualification? (insert title)

The ability to draw and continue to develop drawing skills is a core part of the course. Other skills and techniques including graphic art and digital art are also core skills which might allow a student to explore other creative responses.

Qualification: Photography

Exam Board: AQA

What are the main topics I will study for the qualification?

Learn about lots of different styles of photography (Portrait, still life, surrealism, Landscape)
Learn how to use digital SLR cameras (Nikon and Pentax)
Learn how to use the manual settings (shutter speed, aperture etc)
Learn how to use Photoshop
Learn how to use studio equipment / lighting
Learn about photographers work and what the images may mean and to take inspiration
From their work to develop your own work.
Learn how to explore and experiment with your own ideas.

How will I be assessed in the subject?

Component 1 Portfolio 60%

Must include one independent extended project
Marked out of 4 assessment objectives – 96 marks

Component 2 Externally Set Assignment 40%

Students respond to their chosen starting point from an externally set assignment paper relating to their subject title, evidencing coverage of all four assessment objectives.
Preparatory period followed by 10 hours of supervised time
Marked out of 4 assessment objectives – 96 marks

Am I suited to this qualification? (insert title)

This course will suit students who have an interest in creativity and who want to pursue a career in the creative industry. This course will enable students to go onto study an A level in Photography or other creative subject.