Art Curriculum Pathways Key Stage 4 information 2019-20



Overview

At St Martins School we also study 'arts' for all. We passionately believe that creativity and adaptability are two keys characteristics that employers of the future will be looking for. Our Arts courses develop our student's confidence and resilience and enable students to shine in a variety of disciplines including art, dance, music, acting and creative media. Students will choose an Arts option in year 9 and will continue with this course through year 10 and 11.

New GCSE Grading:

New GCSE Grade	Equivalent 'traditional' Grade		
9	A** (top 3% nationally)		
8	A*		
7	A		
6	B (top 2/3)		
5	B (bottom 1/3) and C (top 1/3)		
4	C (bottom 2/3)		
3	D		
2	Е		
1	F/G		

New Technical Grading

Old Grade	New Grade
Level 2 distinction	8
Level 2 merit	6
Level 2 pass	4
Level 1 pass	2
Unclassified	0

ARTS - ART AND DESIGN

Qualification obtained: GCSE Art and Design OCR

Brief outlines

Portfolio (60%)

The OCR syllabus requires that students submit **one unit of** *coursework* (Portfolio). This body of work will constitute 60% of the final grade. This *coursework* will be completed in lesson time, art club and at home throughout Year 10 and up to the end of the Autumn Term in Year 11. The successful student will need to keep a sketchbook and be self-motivated and enthusiastic about working outside lesson time.

Exam (40%)

The remaining 40% will be determined by an examination. Exam papers will be issued to students from the beginning of January in Year 11. Each student will prepare an answer (over several weeks) to one question posed by the examination board (OCR). Following this a final outcome will be produced during a formal 10 hour examination (over two whole school days). The resulting body of work is produced and marked in the same manner as the Portfolio unit.

How it is assessed

All work produced in class and at home will count towards the final grade. The students work will be exhibited in the Art Department at the end of the course, which in turn is assessed by staff then moderated by an external moderate. Portfolio and exam will be assessed using the OCR Criteria below.

AO weightings in OCR's GCSE (9-1) in Art and Design

The relationship between the Assessment Objectives and the components are shown in the following table:

Component	% of GCSE (9–1) Art and Design				
	A01	AO2	AO3	A04	Total
Portfolio (01)	15	15	15	15	60
Externally set task (02)	10	10	10	10	40
	25	25	25	25	100

Course Requirements - Possible Portfolio units:

Food (2/3-D) - You will produce observed studies of food and develop artwork influenced by a range of artists:

Wayne Thiebaud (painting of cakes)

Sarah Graham (Paintings of Sweets)

Kate Brinkworth (Paintings of Bottles) Andy Warhol (printmaking from packaging)

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Claes Oldenburg (sculpture of food)
Patianne Stevenson (sculpture of food)
Kate Malone (Ceramics of food)

Following this experience, each student chooses one of the above to specialise in. The final outcome will be the result of more in depth research and development inspired by the relevant artist. Students are also given the opportunity to research another artist of their choice relating to the unit.

Self-Portrait (2-D)

You will produce self-portraits in response to the work of:

Chuck Close (photo)
David Hockney (abstracted/ fragmented)
Melissa Cooke
Barbara Kruger
Jenny Saville
Cindy Sherman
Cristina Otero
Frida kahlo

Each student produces a final (overall) self-portrait using the skills learned. Again students are given the opportunity to research another artist of their choice relating to the unit.

Gallery Visits

To be decided on during the course to coincide with current exhibitions both locally and nationally.

Careers

The modern workplace needs a creative mind that offers lateral thinking and innovative solutions. Students leaving with art and design qualifications will have opportunities to move into a number of different occupations including: artist (painter, printmaker, ceramicist/ potter, sculptor etc.); designer (graphic, three-dimensional, fashion, textile, theatre stage etc.); animator; jewellery maker; photographer; Architect; museum/ gallery curator; exhibition organiser; gallery education officer; art teacher/ lecturer.



ARTS - Music

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED: BTEC Tech Award in Music Practice

BRIEF OUTLINE OF THE SUBJECT:

- Assessed with performance-based tasks and assignments, rather than written exams.
- Clear progression onto Level 3 study for students who want to explore performing arts further.
- Differentiated grading across both Level 1 and Level 2, with equivalency to the new GCSE grades.

How does the course work?

The course is made up of three components: **two** that are **internally assessed** and **one** that's **externally assessed**.

COMPONENT 1

Exploring Music Products and Styles

Aim: explore musical styles and techniques, and gain an understanding of roles in the industry

Assessment: internally assessed assignments

During Component 1, you will:

- Explore different styles and genres of music.
- Take part in practical workshops

to understand stylistic features and

characteristics.

- Learn about the different products the music industry.
- Develop techniques in realising musical product

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COMPONENT 2

Music Skills development

Aim: develop musical knowledge, skills, and techniques and apply them to a music product

Assessment: internally assessed assignments

During component 2, you will:

- Reflect on your progress, and on areas for improvement.
- Choose a job role and explore the skills needed to fulfil it.
- Develop a range of skills.
- Apply skills and techniques in a music performance, creation or production.

COMPONENT 3

Responding to a Commercial Music

Aim: put skills into practice by responding to a brief as a composer, performer or producer

Assessment: externally assessed task.

During component 3, you will:

- Choose an area of the industry that excites you (composer, performer, or producer).
- Explore the brief and come up with possible responses and ideas.
- Use relevant resources, skills and

- techniques to develop and refine musical material.
- Present your final response (solo or in a group).
- Review and reflect your approach to the brief and your final outcome.

Where appropriate you can decide on which instrument you wish to develop.

"During the course, students can see whether the industry is one they want to be in, where they could go, and gain the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in their next steps. After completing the course, you can continue on to further vocational and academic study at level 2 and level 3, as well as apprenticeships and traineeships. What's more, the transferable skills mastered during their studies such as self-reflection, communication, teamwork and problem solving will also support your progress."

Definite Maybe preference preference

Definite

no

ARTS - PERFORMING ARTS

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED: Btec Tech Award in Performing Arts (**Acting & dance pathways**)

- Assessed with performance-based tasks and assignments, rather than written exams.
- Clear progression onto Level 3 study for students who want to explore performing arts further.
- Differentiated grading across both Level 1 and Level 2, with equivalency to the new GCSE grades.

How does the course work?

The course is made up of three components: **two** that are **internally assessed** and **one** that's **externally assessed**.

Our three-block structure, **explore**, **develop** and apply, has been developed to allow students to build on and embed their knowledge. This allows them to grow in confidence and then put into practice what they have learned.

Our assessment structure is also designed so that students can build on what they learn, and develop their skills, as they move through the course.

Component 1: Explore

Aim: Get a taste of what it is like to be a professional Actor or Dancer

Assessment: Internally assessed assignments Weighting: 30% of your total course, during Component 1, you will:

- explore performance styles, creative intentions and purpose
- investigate how practitioners create and influence what's performed
- discover performance roles, skills, techniques and processes.

Component 2: Develop

Aim: Develop skills and techniques in Acting or Dancing

Assessment: Internally assessed assignments Weighting: 30% of your total course, during Component 2, you will:

- take part in workshops, classes and rehearsals
- gain physical, interpretative, vocal and rehearsal skills
- apply these skills in performance
- reflect on their progress, their performance and how they could improve in a written evaluation at four milestone evaluations

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Component 3: Apply

Aim: Consider how practitioners adapt their skills for different contexts, and put this into practice in a performance

Assessment: Externally assessed task, where students work in groups of between 3 and 7 members to create a performance based on a set brief.

Weighting: 40% of your total course To achieve this aim, your students will:

- use the brief and previous learnings to come up with ideas
- build on their skills in classes, workshops and rehearsals
- \bullet review the process using an ideas and skills log –2 x written report
- perform a piece to their chosen audience which is filmed
- reflect on their performance in an evaluation report...

Definite preference



Maybe preference



Definite no



ARTS - CREATIVE iMedia

Creative iMedia at Key stage 4

Students are currently studying the Cambridge Nationals in Creative iMedia. This is a media sector-focused course, including film, television, web development, gaming and animation, and have IT at their heart. The course modules provide knowledge in a number of key areas in this field from pre-production skills to digital animation and have a motivating, hands-on, approach to both teaching and learning. Cambridge Nationals deliver skills across the whole range of learning styles and abilities, effectively engaging and inspiring all students to achieve great things. At St Martins School we study the Cambridge Nationals Creative iMedia Certificate (requiring four units).

Units

Pre-production skills	Compulsory - Exam Unit 1hr 15mins		
Creating digital graphics	Compulsory coursework		
Optional Units (choose two)			
Creating 2D and 3D digital characters	Storytelling with a comic strip		
Creating a multipage website	Creating a digital animation		
Creating interactive multimedia products	Creating a digital sound sequence		
Creating a digital video sequence	Digital photography		
Designing a game concept	Developing digital games		

Benefits

- 1. This is a GCSE equivalent course and so counts for college and A-Level Computing courses.
- 2. There is only one exam, lasting 1hr and 15mins, which will be sat in the January. This means you will have one less exam in your May/June exam season.
- 3. The coursework is not `controlled', so you can change the theme and submit it 3 times before the final mark is taken, the best of your attempts.
- 4. There is no time limit to the coursework and so it can be improved outside lessons and/or at home.
- 5. There are 3 windows for coursework moderating/grading, in Nov, Jan & May so you can 'bank' marks and improve sections that can get more marks.
- 6. The optional units can be those chosen by the teacher or areas that you find interesting or have a passion for, developing specific program skills, e.g. Photoshop, Comic Life, PowerPoint, Lightroom, Premiere Pro, Dreamweaver. Flash.



Additional Information

Useful Websites

http://www.instructables.com/id/choosing-year-9-options/
http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents/gcse_choosing/

'Start' Careers log in available – speak to Miss Weaver