



ART & DESIGN

The UAL Applied General Extended Diploma in Art and Design allows you to specialise in the practical arts and provides an excellent introduction to a career in the visual arts industry. Practical skills within both two and three dimensions will be explored and you will be encouraged to broaden your understanding of the historical development of art and design and establish a critical appreciation. Visits to galleries and museums are an integral part of the course.

Specific course entry requirements

College entry, to include GCSE Art or Art-related subject at a minimum of grade 4, (please refer to the Entry Requirements section on the college website for further details) or a portfolio of work.

How will I be assessed?

The UAL Applied General Extended Diploma covers two units, one per year which are both externally assessed and each worth 50% of the final grade.

A minimum pass in the Year 12 assessment is required to progress to Year 13.

What will I study?

In this course you will explore a range of Art and Design disciplines including drawing and painting, graphics, 3D design, textiles, photography, and printmaking. Tutors will encourage you to work imaginatively and creatively, exploring different materials and techniques. Alongside this there are important assignments in the contextual and historical studies of Art and Design. The exploration of the work of others will enhance your understanding in this multi-disciplinary course and challenge your own creative ideas.

Throughout your studies you will produce an extensive portfolio addressing specific assessment criteria and this exciting body of work will support applications for university or employment interviews.

Where will this course lead me?

Developing your creative understanding can be useful in many fields of learning as well as a range of careers. It is particularly appropriate for those who want to pursue a career in fine art, textiles and fashion, photography, graphic design, advertising, illustration, industrial or product design, architecture, art history, teaching, museum work, and a range of creative industries.

Studying an Art course is an excellent way to develop soft skills such as independence. It will improve time management and problem-solving skills while developing creative thinking and resilience.