

Sixth Form Courses

Drama and Theatre Studies AS Level

Why take this subject?

This subject offers employers and university admissions tutors evidence that you are analytical, understand appropriate modes of address and dress, are sensitive, are a good team player, are creative and artistic, are organised and can argue well both verbally and in writing.

What do I need to have studied at GCSE?

Ideally you would have studied GCSE Drama, but not always essentially. You should have some experience of performance, and be prepared to perform. A good English GCSE is valuable.

What will we study?

You will write a critique of a contemporary production, so must be keen to visit the theatre regularly. You will perform scripted work to an examiner. You will study a further two plays from a performance perspective in preparation for a written examination.

How will I be examined?

You will have one performance examination and one written paper.

What extra curricular opportunities will be available to me?

Theatre trips and production participation all provide further skills practice as well as material for assessment.

What can this subject lead to?

Study at university, usually in an Arts or Humanities subject area, or specifically in Theatre. It is a good grounding for a career in Performing Arts, but not a vocational qualification. Jobs that require you to prove that you are confident, practical, organised and academic.