This course offers a broad approach, allowing you to develop a sound grounding in a number of areas whilst still exploring the subject in-depth. This course is structured to provide a broad educational basis for further training, further education, or for moving into appropriate employment within the Art and Design sector. Therefore it is an excellent choice if you want a career in Art & Design.

**What will I do?**
- Explore a range of approaches and media
- Work on a number of units exploring media such as drawing, painting, printing, photography, ICT, textiles, illustration and contextual studies
- Go on a number of trips to galleries, craft fairs, graduate shows and progression fairs.
- Research progression opportunities and receive support and assistance
- Develop an extensive appreciation of artist and designers
- Produce a large body of portfolio work to use for interviews at higher and further education

**Some Frequently Asked Questions**

How is the Diploma in Art and Design course different to the single Art A-Level?

There is a stronger focus on working professionally by working to a brief, and a structured support for progression to further or higher education. It is equivalent to two A-Levels.

Is there an exam?
No. All work submitted is coursework.

Will I go on visits?
Yes, as it is a vocational course, it is important that you get the opportunity to understand the professional art and design world. Some of the visits include: UCAS Design Your Future Fair, Curwen Print Studio, life drawing and off-site workshops, as well as other one-off exhibitions.

Is there written work?
Yes there is some written work, in the form of Critical Studies, annotation and evaluations.

Is a Cambridge Technical Diploma recognised by universities?
Yes the Cambridge Technical Diploma Level 3 is recognised by universities and colleges alike. UCAS tariff points are equivalent to two A-Levels. Colleges and universities offer places based on the quality of the portfolio, so we support students with portfolio development as part of the Diploma.

If I am considering a career in Art and Design, is a Diploma in Art and Design a good option?

Definitely!! This course prepares you for your progression in the Art and Design sector, whether it be in employment or further/higher education.

How is the Diploma course structured?

Students are in the art studio for all lessons and have access to the studio during study periods. It is taught by three teachers over 18 hours a fortnight. Students complete a total of 12 units, 6 units in Year 12 and 6 units in Year 13. Students can select units/themes based on their interest and areas of strength in Year 13.

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