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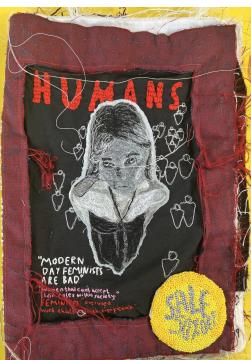














A-level Textiles

<u>Introduction</u>

Students develop skills, techniques and creativity in art and design: textiles (this can include fashion drawing and design as well as more abstract and art based mixed media approaches). The aim of the course is to develop an ambitious and creative portfolio of work underpinned by solid skills, techniques and a contextual knowledge of the wider textiles world. A thoughtful and creative approach to ideas is encouraged and students learn technical skills and a wide vocabulary of visual language, which includes drawing skills using traditional and experimental methods. Students will be required to have grade 5 in an Art and Design subject at GCSE not including not Engineering, Construction or Hospitality and Catering.

What You Will Learn

The course starts with a skill building project in the first term, where you will try different techniques and skills, such as printing, embroidery and fabric manipulation. You will then choose a personal theme and develop this through research, drawing, sampling and designing, before creating a final outcome. The course is split into two components, which are assessed against the EDUQAS GCE Art & Design specification. Component 1 (personal Investigation) is 60% of the overall grade this includes a compulsory written element of 1000-3000 words which can be presented in a variety of formats., with Component 2 (Externally set assignment, commonly referred to as the 'Exam project') accounting to 40%. Component 2 is completed with a 15 hour controlled assessment.

Where It Can Lead To

Fashion design, textiles, styling, buying, merchandising, marketing, footwear design, contour fashion, costume design, fine art, illustration, surface pattern design, etc...