

A level Textiles

In A-Level Textiles, learners will explore surface pattern, experiment with different fabrics, and learn about fashion. They will learn about embroidery techniques and printing onto fabric, as well as garment construction and fashion manipulation. They will learn to use sewing machines and develop their ability to dye and manipulate fabric, as well as traditional and contemporary skills.

The A-Level Art and Design course is designed to measure students' ability to develop ideas through sustained investigations, explore and select appropriate resources, and present a personal and meaningful response. Students are required to complete two assessment components. The Personal Investigation (60%) is coursework comprising a practical portfolio and a contextual essay. The Externally Set Assignment (40%) is a controlled, timed examination supported by preparatory work.

Assessment criteria focus on developing ideas through sustained investigation, exploring and selecting appropriate resources, recording ideas, observations, and insights, and presenting a personal, informed, and meaningful response."

Progression routes for this course include degrees in related subjects, such as fashion design, textiles design, and print design. or careers in fashion design, fashion marketing, and textiles design.

A-Level Textiles Task: Textures and Silhouettes

This task will explore textures and Silhouettes. You will capture images of different textures and surfaces. Then you will use images to create silhouettes and shapes.

Task One:

You need to take 10 primary images. These should be close ups of different textures and surfaces. You will then recreate these textures in 3 different mediums, such as pencil, fine liner, watercolour, oil pastels, etc.

Task Two:

Research a fashion trend. You will create a series of collages and create distinct and interesting silhouettes with collaging techniques. You should focus on developing the shape of these silhouettes. You can gather images from magazines, newspapers, or books for this task.