

POST-16 COURSE OVERVIEW

PHOTOGRAPHY

QUALIFICATION A Level Photography	AWARDING BODY AQA	COURSE LENGTH 2 years
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COURSE OVERVIEW

A Level Photography is a creative and practical course that encourages students to explore ideas, develop technical skills, and create personal and meaningful photographic work. Students will experiment with a range of photographic processes, techniques and digital editing methods while investigating the work of established photographers and artists. The course develops visual communication, critical thinking and independent working skills, preparing students for further study and careers within the creative industries.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

KEY CONTENT

• Year 12: Foundation Skills

Learn camera controls and exposure.
Composition and visual communication while experimenting with editing techniques.

• Year 13: Personal Investigation

Develop an individual project based on a chosen theme and produce a sustained portfolio of practical work.

• Externally Set Assignment

Respond to an exam theme released by AQA.
Produce preparatory studies and a final outcome under timed conditions.

ASSESSMENT

- **Component 1:** Personal Investigation (60%)
Practical portfolio and written study.
- **Component 2:** Externally Set Assignment (40%)
Preparatory work and final practical examination.
- Assessment is based on four assessment objectives: A01-A04.

WHERE COULD THIS COURSE TAKE ME?

This course supports progression to university, apprenticeships and careers within the creative and cultural industries, including photography, photojournalism, fashion photography, advertising, graphic design, digital content creation, film production, visual arts, marketing and media.

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