



Are you interested in:

- art & design
- computers & technology
- creative problem solving
- darkroom processes
- a blend of art & science
- an active & dynamic environment

Leading to a career in:

- Photographic industry
- Photojournalism
- Fashion photography
- Animation
- Graphic design

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Exam Board: EDUQAS

A-level

You will be actively engaged in developing your photographic skills in a variety of processes over a two year course using; critical analysis skills, digital imagery, image manipulation, darkroom practices, and studio lighting.

You will expand on theory and practice, exploring and refining techniques further to meet the needs of your ideas.

You will build an effective and balanced portfolio of work that demonstrates technical skills, theory based knowledge and critical analysis. This portfolio may be used for interview at higher educational level, for securing external exhibitions or for entering industry at apprenticeship or employment level.

Component 1 (60% of A-level):

Coursework:

- Personal investigation
- Critical analysis essay

Component 2 (40% of A-level):

Externally Set Assignment:

- Preparatory study and personal investigations into chosen theme.
- 15-hour practical exam

Photography opens a world of opportunities for you, in terms of creativity, education and careers. As an art form it is extremely creative, technical and interesting. Photography has gripped humanity ever since its invention and is constantly evolving. Those who undertake this course will be able to investigate this process of photographic evolution leading them to accessing, harnessing and analysing this exciting and dynamic subject. We can offer you darkroom facilities, digital SLR's, a wide range of lenses and adobe CS software in our studios.

The main aim of the Photography course is to develop your ability to appreciate the visual world, enhance your personal creativity, and utilize technical and ICT based skills. You will gain a working knowledge of materials, practices and technology within the discipline. Allowing you to develop your skills related to interpreting, recording, and conveying ideas.

A-level Photography is demanding and rigorous. The course will challenge your intellect, creativity and imagination. The volume and standard of work is high and anyone embarking on this course must be prepared to devote a considerable amount of independent time to their work.

The Photography department is well resourced and offers a wide range of photographic equipment from Nikon digital SLR's to darkroom processes. We have Adobe Creative Cloud on our Apple iMacs in the studio. These facilities will ensure you have access to up-to-date industry standard resources at all times.

