

Art and design

Art and design are rapidly expanding fields which offer challenging and exciting careers to people with imagination and creativity.

We provide a wide range of courses in a creative and nurturing environment, giving you an ideal start to your career. Our tutors have professional experience and are equipped to give you the best education and advice possible.

Our courses open up opportunities for you either to enter directly into employment or gain access to higher education. Many of our students on advanced level courses go on to study at some of the best universities in the UK.

Career opportunities...

Fashion, graphic design, fine art, animation, games design, photography, illustration, interior design and media production are just some of the careers available to you if you study a course in art and design.

Art and design courses

Level 1 - Diploma in Visual Arts*

Code ART0024F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you want to gain an introduction to a range of art and design skills including drawing, painting, media, textiles and graphics before deciding what you would like to further your studies in.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade F and have a keen interest and ability in art and design.

Level 2 - Diploma in Art and Design*

Code ART0029F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you want to study a range of art and design subjects including drawing, painting, media, textiles, fashion and graphics and build on your skills before specialising in your chosen area. Completing the course gives you the opportunity to progress to level 3 study.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade D, or a relevant level 1 qualification. You will be required to attend an interview and show a portfolio of work.

* Students will also gain a number of additional NCFE qualifications on these courses.



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Level 3 - Diploma in Art and Design Visual Communication**

Code ART0141F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you are interested in graphic design, illustration for books, print, magazines, screen based media, interactive web design, short film, design for advertising, promotion, identity, packaging design and much more.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, or a relevant level 2 qualification. You will be required to attend an interview and show a selection of your work.

Level 3 - Diploma in Art and Design Fashion and Textiles**

Code ART0141F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you are aiming for a career in fashion or textiles design. You will develop your ideas and skills by studying subjects such as pattern cutting, garment manufacture, textile print and embellishment.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, or a relevant level 2 qualification. You will be required to attend an interview and show a selection of your work.

Level 3 - Diploma in Art and Design Fine Art and Lens Based Media**

Code ART0141F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you wish to explore ideas and experiment with a variety of fine art mediums such as painting, drawing, sculpture, photography and video. This course encourages personal development and expression.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, or a relevant level 2 qualification. You will be required to attend an interview and show a selection of your work.

Level 3 - Diploma in Art and Design Animation and Games Design**

Code ART0143F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you want a career working in creative digital media areas such as animation, games design and design for the web. The course will give you the design and practical skills to allow you to advance to further study and pursue a career in this exciting and expanding field.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above or a relevant level 2 qualification. You will be required to attend an interview and show a selection of your work.

Level 3/4 - Foundation Diploma in Art and Design

Code ART0025F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you want to progress to university to study an art or design degree as the Foundation Diploma is often an entry requirement. You will study a range of art and design disciplines and then specialise in your chosen area. Past students on this course have gone on to study at some of the best universities in the UK.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above and one A Level. You will be required to attend an interview and show a selection of your work.

** Students will study one A Level as part of the Level 3 Diploma. There is also an option to study for a one year Subsidiary Diploma in these disciplines.