

# TEXTILES



## Course content

The course balances modern textile techniques such as surface pattern design and digital illustration with traditional techniques such as weave making, embroidery and dress making, all taken from current university requirements.

Textile Design A level concentrates on the development of research skills that allows for independent and innovative study, with the continual acquirement of practical skills that aid visual communication. Students are required to design and develop their own personal program for learning, with the support of experienced staff.

We are part of, and work alongside the Art Department.

## Assessment

Examination board: EDUQAS

The A level is split into 60% coursework (known as a personal investigation) and an exam project (known as Externally Set Assignment or ESA) which represents 40% of the course.

All the work is then internally and externally moderated at the end of the course.

## Complementary subjects

Students who are considering a career in the visual arts or design would benefit from studying a second visual subject such as Art or Graphics. This gives students the best possible opportunity to produce a portfolio of the highest standard required for the vast majority of degree course applications.

Business studies and English Language are other popular complementary subjects for those students considering Fashion Journalism, Fashion Styling or Interior Design.



## Extension opportunities

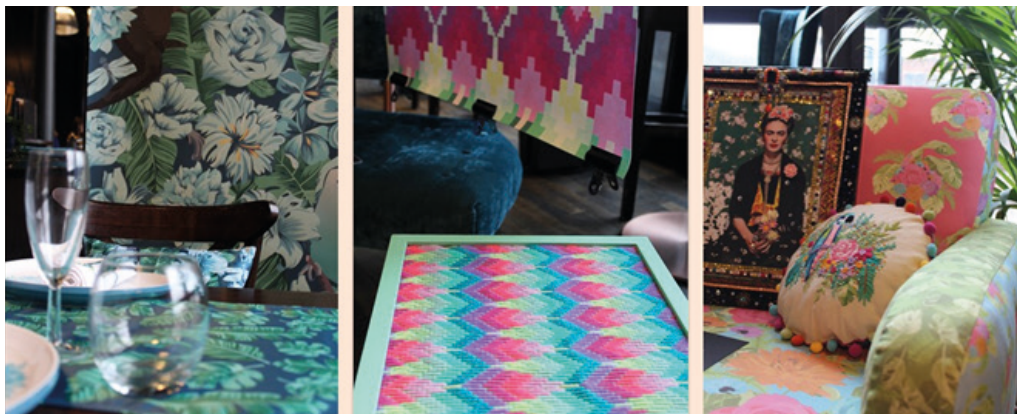
Where possible students work collaboratively with the industry, giving invaluable experience and a rich and competitive portfolio of work. We have previously collaborated with the Victoria Baths in Manchester, the Victorian and Albert Museum, Ginger and Pickles Tearooms and Story House Chester. We have numerous external exhibitions which have included the Manchester Spring Art Fayre and the Women of the World Festival, which saw in attendance of 3000 people.

## Recent success

The department has outstanding examination results each year, with 100% A\*-A. 100% of our students also achieve their first choice University. Our current Textiles students have won a multitude of awards including student prize at the Chester Arts Fair and regularly partake in work experience in the Textiles Industry.

## What next?

Students go on to achieve great success studying Fashion, Textiles, Merchandising and many more. It is also a really complimentary subject for a wealth of subjects, such as Art, Architecture, Graphic Design and Medicine. We are proud that 100% of our students attend their first-choice university.



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