
FILM STUDIES

Examination Board: WJEC Eduqas

Syllabus: A670QS

WHY STUDY FILM STUDIES?

Students will have the opportunity to:

- film and edit sequences using techniques learned, including animation
- talk, and express personal opinions, about how film techniques create meaning
- work in a team to problem solve, collaborate and produce creative texts
- study 11 films from the areas below, including “Shaun of the Dead”, “Amy”, “Pulp Fiction” and “This is England
- learn ideas from other disciplines and cultures to make sense of the messages in film
- learn through supported teaching how to articulate and control lines of argument

THE A LEVEL PROGRAMME OF STUDY: How you will be assessed

Unit	Unit contents	Assessment and duration
Paper 1 – Varieties of Film and Filmmaking	Hollywood 1930 – 1990 American Film. Since 2005 British Film since 1995	2 hours 30 minutes
Paper 2 – Global Filmmaking Perspectives	Global Film Documentary Film Film Movements – Silent cinema Film Movements – Experimental film	2 hours 30 minutes
Component 3 (NEA) Making a short film with evaluation	Produce a creative short film. Editing on brand new Apple computers with Final Cut Pro X editing software.	Film needs to be between 4 and 5 minutes in length. Evaluation: 1,600 words.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The course will help develop the skills and ability to tackle film, television and media production courses as well as media studies and English courses in particular. It is also an excellent preparation for any university course and is regarded highly amongst all universities, including Russell group universities. Students not intending to go to university have an excellent basis for entry into apprenticeships or the workplace. Interested students are encouraged to apply for the British Film Institute Film Academy Programme.

SUBJECT SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You do not need to have studied Film Studies at GCSE level. Level 4 English GCSE is the minimum requirement.

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