

DRAMA & THEATRE

QUALIFICATION

Advanced Level
Exam Board: AQA

REQUIREMENTS

GCSE Drama Level 5, if studied
English Level 4

Why study Drama & Theatre?

Drama & Theatre Studies provides opportunities for students to express themselves, explore live performance and enhance analytic and contextual knowledge. You may have an interest in performance due to studying at GCSE level, or have extra-curricular involvement in theatrical productions, and by taking the course you will expand your knowledge and explore performance further.

What skills are required?

Whatever your previous experience, being an A Level Drama & Theatre studies student will be thought-provoking, challenging and exciting. Creative thinking is integral to success. You must be prepared to put in your own time, whether seeing theatre performances, carrying out research, learning lines, acquiring props, or rehearsing for performance.

Much of your time will be spent working practically with others. A lot of enjoyment and achievements depends on your commitment to working as a member of a team. Regular attendance and punctuality is essential.

Course Content

Year 12:

- Study of a set text from List A
- Response to Live Theatre
- Practitioner Workshops
- Applying practitioner methods to scripted work

Year 13:

- Study of a set text from List B
- Devising performance and working notebook
- Practical development of a scripted extract including a reflective report
- Final exam and performances

How it will be assessed:

Component 1	Component 2	Component 3
Drama & Theatre 40%	Devising Drama 30%	Creating Original Drama 30%
3 hours 80 marks	Practical and Written 60 marks	Practical and Written 60 marks

Progression

Students have continued with studying Theatre in Higher Education gaining a Theatre degree with honours. There is also the opportunity to pursue courses at drama schools, as well as developing work in drama therapy, teaching and journalism.

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