

Art & Design and Fashion Level 1

The Diploma in Art, Design and Fashion Level 1 provides a broad introductory year that will equip Learners with the skills and knowledge to progress onto a Level 2 qualification in art & design, fashion or media.

You will learn important skills of research, problem solving and working to a brief. There will be opportunities to work on art & design, fashion and digital media briefs.

The course is supported by regular trips to galleries and museums as well as location research trips. There is also a developing programme of artist/designer and employer talks, and opportunities for work experience, volunteering and live projects.

All students are involved in setting up and exhibiting in the end of year exhibition.

Through tutorial sessions, you will be supported to enhance wider employability skills including project management, teamwork, research, communication and presentation skills alongside your time management.

Waltham Forest College is putting sustainability at the heart of everything that we do, and in this course, you will learn practices that support pollution prevention, ecosystem management and environmental protection. Our creative courses also incorporate and promote green skills and sustainability. Art & Design and Fashion students produce projects on climate change, recycling and upcycling, and our Media students support the College's green agenda by submitting their work digitally throughout the duration of the course.

- [Sector Overview](#)

The UK's creative industries boast a range of interesting and exciting careers for those looking to enter a thriving and innovative sector, with opportunities ranging from jobs involved with arts, culture and design to working in video gaming or the media.

The creative industries bring together a range of sub-sectors involved with economic activities that all have creativity at their centre. From fashion, crafts and visual arts to music, publishing, TV, radio and film, these are all part of what's known as the UK's creative economy.

- [Entry Requirements](#)

The entry requirements for this course are:

- 4 GCSE at Grade 1 (G) or above including maths and English at Entry Level 3
- Evidence of an interest in art & design, media and/or fashion and a commitment to the course are required

You will be required to attend an informal interview which may include completing an assessment based on your prior qualifications.

- [What will I study?](#)

This course consists of the following modules:

- Drawing & painting
- Digital design

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- Mixed media
- 3D design crafts & fashion accessories
- Printmaking
- Planning and running an enterprise activity
- [How will I be assessed?](#)
You will be assessed via:
 - Project based assignment briefs with continued assessment
 - Final Major Project
- [Enrichment](#)
To further enhance your progression, you will actively participate in community projects, such as the Griffin Flag Project or take part in the BFI Film Academy workshops.
You will be involved in taking part in trips and visits to relevant museum exhibitions such as The Tate Britain and William Morris Gallery.
You will also have access to key employers that will deliver guest lectures to build your industry knowledge and contacts.
- [Work Experience](#)
You must complete 36 hours (1 week) of external work placement which is an essential part of the programme. Some of the opportunities will include placements with employers such as House of Publishers, Waltham Forest Music School and Walthamstow Pumphouse.
- [Progression opportunities](#)
This course will lead to:
 - Level 2 course in Art and Design, Fashion or Media
 - Level 2 Apprenticeship
- [Alumni](#)
Waltham Forest College is a vibrant and aspirational college and will support you to reach your career aspirations. Last year 96% of learners progressed onto a positive destination either to higher levels of study, employment, or an Apprenticeship.

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