

| | <h1>The History of Art</h1> |
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| Exam Board | TBC |
| Course Entry Criteria | B in an essay based subject. An interest in Art or History would be beneficial. |
| Essential skills | In order to take an AS level in the History of Art, not only do you need an interest in History, Art or Architecture, but you also need to have the ability to structure and write essays, excellent organisational skills, and have the ability to work independently to meet essay deadlines. |
| AS | <p>History of Art allows students to broaden their knowledge and understanding of Art, Architecture and historical artefacts.</p> <p>Students are introduced to a wide range of art work over a chronological period, spanning from Ancient Greece to the 20th Century over two units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 1 <p>Students are taught to critically analyse and understand artworks, and architecture, without prior knowledge of the piece. Students will be able to talk with clarity about pieces of art, learning specific terminology in order to discuss composition across various genres and movements, build analytical skills and the ability to decipher clues within established pieces of art and architecture.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 2 <p>Students are taught about specific case studies including Michelangelo's sculpture 'David' and The Villa Savoye by Le Corbusier, and will be expected to learn information and knowledge about these works. Students will be able to analyse these case studies and use them to answer questions about them in a written examination.</p> <p>*This information is based on the most current AQA specification, which is no longer on offer. We are awaiting further information on Art History specifications, and hope to be in the position to offer this subject for September 2017.</p> |
| University requirements | <p>Typical History of Art requirements:</p> <p>Cambridge University A*AA Goldsmiths University of London ABB Oxford AAA UCL AAA</p> <p>Essay based subjects are a requirement for most University courses and it can be helpful to have an A Level in a Modern language. Art History is only offered in 17 state schools across England and Wales, and therefore would be a distinct advantage to gain access on to a History of Art Degree.</p> <p>Art History is also offered as part of an Art Degree, which is usually entered by portfolio and interview. An AS in Art History would be an advantage for most Art courses.</p> |
| Related courses and careers | Studying History of Art can lead to work in any art related field, including conservation, curation and sales in Museum and galleries, academia as well as History related careers. The skills gained in analysing visual culture and in argumentation are those needed in many industries for instance in business and advertising. |
| Other Details | <p>Due to Governmental and exam board changes, AQA is no longer offering the History of Art as an AS or A2 subject. We are waiting for confirmation as to which board will now offer the History of Art as an accredited subject.</p> <p>Townley Grammar School are committed to ensuring that History of Art will be offered to students at AS level. We will contact interested students with more information as soon as we are able to.</p> |