

Product Design AS & A2 Level:

Entry Requirements:	GCSE Resistant Materials, Electronics, Production Design/Graphics are the best preparation for moving into AS/A2 Product Design. However if you have Art, Design and/or Textiles qualification grade C or above, consideration may be given to students wanting to be accepted on the course on the strength of a strong portfolio and / or interview.
Course Content:	The AS and A2 courses are designed to encourage you to take a broad view of technology and design, to develop your capacity to design and make products for the modern market place. You will learn to appreciate the complex relations between design, materials, manufacture and marketing. Both the AS and A2 consist of three main disciplines as follows; a greater depth of study is required for A2:- a) Materials and components b) Design and market influence c) Processes and manufacture
AS Level – Year 1 Unit 1: Materials, Components and Application 2 hour written exam Unit 2: Learning through Designing and Making 50 hour coursework project	A2 Level – Year 2 Unit 3: Design and Manufacture 2 hour written exam Unit 4: Design and Making Practice 60 hour coursework project
Progression into careers via:	The experience gained by following this course equips you for a variety of careers such as:- design engineering, electronics, furniture design, manufacturing industry or further studies at University.
Further Information:	This subject is coursework orientated, it is essential that you show a successful record of being able to cope with long projects and product study, these are continually assessed. The course encourages you to be self-directed in your approach to your learning. The AS course is based on the assessment of a number of Design and Make assignments with theory inputs. As well as attending on a regular basis you will be expected to complete set homework, on time. It is expected that you do 5 hours home study each week. You are expected to follow up topics, from the subject specifications and expand subject knowledge, by reading about the subject, this will help to illustrate answers in the theory papers.
Length of Course:	AS One-year, which can be extended to the full A Level by completing the second year. A2 Two years.
Examination Board:	AQA Design & Technology: Product Design(3-D Design)
Periods Per Week:	5 Hours per week

For further information,
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