Course code 8202 (fine art),8204 (textiles), 8205(3D), 8206 (photography)

Component 1 and 2

ALLERTON GRANGE SCHOOL ART AND DESIGN GCSE NEA

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Overview of requirements

INTRODUCTION

In Art and Design, for all subjects at GCSE, students will complete two components of work. Themes for component one are chosen by subject leaders at Allerton Grange and take the form of two or more projects covering a wide range of themes. This body of work is referred to by AQA as a 'portfolio'.

Component two is the 'externally set assignment'. For this component, students are given a range of thematic choices set by AQA.

KEY FEATURES OF THE COURSEWORK

Component 1: Portfolio

The content of the portfolio will be determined by the particular requirements and nature of the course of study undertaken. There is no exam board restriction on the scale of work, media or materials used, though students will be expected to fulfil the requirements of each project.

Each student must present a portfolio representative of their course of study. The portfolio must include both:

A minimum of one sustained project developed in response to a subject, theme, task or brief evidencing the journey from initial engagement with an idea(s) to the realisation of intentions. This will give students the opportunity to demonstrate, through an extended creative response, their ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skills and/or understanding from across their course of study.

A selection of further work resulting from activities such as trials and experiments; skills-based workshops; mini and/or foundation projects; responses to gallery, museum or site visits; work placements; independent study and evidence of the student's specific role in any group work undertaken.

The work submitted for this component will be marked as a whole. Students must identify and acknowledge sources which are not their own and provide evidence of drawing and written annotation.

Work selected for the portfolio will be presented in sketchbooks, or on prep sheets.

Component 2: Externally set assignment

AQA will provide a separate externally set assignment for each title, each with seven different starting points. Students must select and respond to **one** starting point from their chosen title.

The externally set assignment provides students with the opportunity to demonstrate, through an extended creative response, their ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skills and/or understanding in response to their selected starting point.

The extended creative response must explicitly evidence students' ability to draw together different areas of knowledge, skill and/or understanding from initial engagement with their selected starting point through to their realisation of intentions in the 10 hours of supervised time.

Students must ensure that the total submission for Component 2 evidences coverage of all four assessment objectives and evidence of drawing and written annotation.

Students must identify and acknowledge sources which are not their own.

Externally set assignments will be available to students and teachers from 2 January.

A preparation period which can begin on or after **2** January is followed by **10** hours of supervised unaided work in which students are required to realise their intentions. Students must not undertake any further preparatory studies once the first period of supervised time starts.

Preparatory period – from 2 January

Following receipt of the externally set assignment paper, students should select one starting point from which to develop their own work.

Students may discuss their starting points with the teacher.

Preparatory work may be presented in any suitable two- or three-dimensional format such as mounted sheets, sketchbooks, journals, design proposals, models and maquettes, digital or non-digital presentations as agreed by their subject teacher.

Students must stop work on their preparatory studies as soon as the first period of supervised time starts.

Supervised time - 10 hours

Following the preparatory period, students must undertake 10 hours of unaided focused study, under supervision.

The first two hours of supervised time must be consecutive.

Students may refer to their preparatory work during the supervised time but must not add to it or amend it during the supervised time or between sessions.

Students must not add to or amend work produced during the supervised time; either between sessions of supervised time or after the 10 hours of supervised time has been completed.

All work submitted for this component will be marked as a whole. Students may produce a single outcome or a series of related outcomes when realising their intentions in the supervised time. Outcomes may be evidenced in any two-dimensional, three-dimensional, digital or non-digital format as appropriate to the endorsement that the student has chosen to follow (Fine Art, 3D, Textiles, Photography).

Assessment of NEA

Both Component one and Component two are initially assessed by your subject teacher, using the mark scheme in appendix 2.

Assessment objectives (AOs) are set by Ofqual and are the same across all GCSE Art and Design specifications and all exam boards.

The exams and non-exam assessment will measure how students have achieved the following assessment objectives.

AO1: Develop ideas through investigations, demonstrating critical understanding of sources.

AO2: Refine work by exploring ideas, selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes.

AO3: Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions as work progresses.

AO4: Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and demonstrates understanding of visual language.

WHAT GUIDANCE CAN I EXPECT FROM MY TEACHER?

Throughout Component one you will receive regular feedback from your teacher, both in writing and importantly through verbal feedback in lessons.

In Component two, the exam board have the expectation that students will work with greater independence and they expect that advice will be given in a more 'general way' to the class, that is whole class feedback. You will still receive support and advice from your teacher up until you go into your **10 hours supervised time**.

Malpractice

If a student commits malpractice it means that, they have failed to follow the rules of an examination or assessment.

'Candidate malpractice' means malpractice by a candidate in connection with any examination or assessment, including the preparation and authentication of any controlled assessments, coursework or non-examination assessments, the presentation of any practical work, the compilation of portfolios of assessment evidence and the writing of any examination paper.

Malpractice includes:

Plagiarism – copying a another students' work or copying from any other source e.g. books, articles, websites or AI. This is cheating and is malpractice.

Collusion – sharing your work with another student to benefit the competition of the coursework. Sharing your work for someone else to copy is still cheating and is deemed as malpractice. The consequence could mean that your coursework is jeopardised.

Students who are suspected of plagiarism or collusion will be investigated and this shall be sent off to the examination board by the examination's officer. The examination board, will notify the Head teacher of their final decision. If the examination board finds the student guilty of malpractice because they have either colluded, the student may not be given any marks for their coursework.

The AGS malpractice policy, which has been drawn from the JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications), can be found here:

Malpractice Policy (Exams) (2).pdf

If a teacher suspects that there has been malpractice but does not report this, they are also committing malpractice as they have allowed cheating to occur.

AI AND ASSESSMENTS

Al stands for artificial intelligence and using it is like having a computer that thinks.

Al tools like ChatGPT or Snapchat, My Al can write text, make art and create music by learning from data from the internet.

Using AI to create your coursework and say it is your own work is cheating and is considered as 'malpractice.' Candidate's work, which is suspected of using AI, will undergo an investigation through

the examination board. This could result in the candidate's coursework being invalid and will not count towards their final GCSE or A-Level coursework.

Do not use any AI to complete your coursework. It is cheating and could jepordise your grade.

The exam boards use sophisticated 'plagarism' software called Turnit In to identify any cheating. As coursework is submitted to the examination board, any plagiarism will be identified and consequences will occur.

For the full AI policy created by JCQ (Joint Council for Qualifications) please following the link below:

JCQ guidance - AI-Use-in-Assessments_Feb24_v3.pdf

Research methods

Within Component one students will be provided with a range of artists to support the development of their ideas and their art work. As they reach the conclusion of each project, they will be encouraged to begin looking for inspiration more independently.

Additionally, within Component two, though students are once again given starting points and artists to support with these, it is expected that they will research independently to find imagery which inspires their ideas and outcomes.

WHERE TO LOOK FOR INSPIRATION.

- 1. Websites such as 'Pinterest' can be really helpful when searching for inspiration. Students can build 'boards' relating to each topic they are interested in.
- Website art2day.co.uk collates topics for students, looking at different exam boards and starting points.
- 3. Your teacher will gather a wide range of starting points for each project. Make sure you look at these first, to help you with your ideas.
- 4. Books in the art rooms there are a wide selection of art books on the shelves in each room, as well as a library of art books in Art 1.
- 5. The school library.
- 6. Local libraries within Leeds.
- 7. University libraries. Many (not all) university libraries will let members of the public visit to use them. Do check before your visit. It can help if you have a letter from your teacher. Do not go in big groups.

MATERIALS TO AVOID

The internet has a plethora of websites but it is important that you are critical about who wrote them. Be aware that Wikipedia can sometimes be inaccurate, so always cross reference your sources.

If you are searching under images, make sure you double check that the image you have found is genuinely by the correct artist.

KEEPING A RECORD

 Keep a record of your sources, so that you can refer back to these at the end of the course, if needed.

- If you use direct quotes in your analysis/sketchbook, make a note of the site address/book title so it is clear who you are referencing.
- It is important that you keep a record of all your reading material, so that you can properly reference your work. This will prevent you from committing plagiarism.

PLAGIARISM

It is essential that you don't credit ideas and work as your own if it is not. You will learn more about plagiarism in class but you must acknowledge and reference work which is not yours. The reader will assume that unreferenced material is your own work. At the end of the coursework process you have to sign a document to document that your work is your own.

Presentation of your coursework

WHAT SHOULD BE IN YOUR SKETCHBOOK?

Your sketchbook/folder is a creative document that contains both written and visual material. It is a place for researching, exploring, planning and developing ideas – for testing, practising, evaluating and discussing your project. Each endorsement (3D, Fine Art, Photography, Textiles) will take you on a different journey, but the structure of your work remains consistent throughout the Art and Design course.

Your folder/sketchbook is the place where you demonstrate how you have learnt from other artists/photographers/designers and where you express and brainstorm ideas. The sketchbook shows the journey (or development) towards your final piece and usually contains:

- Drawings, diagrams, samples, screenshots, contact images, thumbnails, composition plans, paintings and/or designs (particularly those that are incomplete or experimental)
- Practise and trials of different techniques and processes appropriate to your endorsement
- A range of mixed mediums and materials
- Evidence of first-hand responses to subject matter and artworks, demonstrated through observational drawings and/or photographs and annotated pamphlets and sketches from exhibitions or gallery visits.

Your sketchbook/folder of work must have the following features:

- All work must be neatly presented and clearly communicate your ideas to an examiner.
- Titles should be typed or neatly drawn and presented.
- Ensure that all analysis research is completed in your own words.
- You must show examples of drawing. This will be as appropriate to your endorsement (eg, drawing with stitch in textiles, or on a computer in 3D or photography)
- You **must** include annotation within your work.
- Use a consistent style of presentation, so that a consistent visual language unites the sketchbook
- Let the artwork shine. Do not spend weeks preparing beautiful backgrounds if this compromises
 the amount of time you spend on the artwork itself. Producing quality art or design work is your
 number one goal. Presentation should be effective but backgrounds should never be more
 important than the work itself.

Completion of Coursework

DEADLINES

Throughout the academic year you will have several internal deadlines (appendix 1). During Component one, you will be given feedback by your teacher during each project, as well as a final mark at the end of each project. If you fail to hand in your sketchbook/folder, you will be given sanctions by your teacher.

During Component two, you will receive feedback as a class rather than individually, but it is equally important to keep to deadlines and hand in your work when requested.

SUBMISSION OF COURSEWORK

On the deadline date (appendix 1) candidates must hand in all work for Component one.

During your supervised session (Component two) you will complete an authentication form. You must know your candidate number in order to complete this.

MODERATION

After you have completed both Components your coursework will be internally marked by your teacher. Following this all GCSE Art and Design teachers (Photography, Fine Art, Textiles, 3D) will standardise all marks to ensure that your mark is fair and accurate. To support with this process teachers will refer to AQA exemplar work. Finally, an external AQA moderator will visit the school and view a randomized sample of students' work, to ensure marking is completely accurate.

APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Coursework dates and deadlines

Year 10 students:

Week commencing 2nd September 2024 - Component one begins

This component is ongoing throughout year 10, with students completing 2 or more projects during this time.

Year 11 students:

Week commencing 2nd September 2024 – Students begin preparatory work for their 'mock externally set assignment'. This assignment forms part of Component one and gives students the opportunity to experience working independently prior to the 10 hour supervised period in the summer term.

Week commencing 9th **December 2024** students from all endorsements complete a 5 hour supervised period, producing a final outcome for their 'mock externally set assignment'.

Week commencing 6th January 2025 students begin preparatory work for Component 2 (externally set assignment)

Week commencing 22nd April 2025 students from all endorsements complete a 10 hour supervised period, producing a final outcome for Component 2 (externally set assignment). This takes place over 2 days. All preparatory work must be handed in prior to the start of the first supervised session.

Thursday 1st May 2025 Final deadline for all Component one coursework and final outcomes to be handed in to subject teachers. All sketchbooks, folders, materials testing and outcomes must be completed by this date.

Appendix 2: Mark Scheme

	A01	A02	A03	A04
Marks	Develop ideas through investigations, demonstrating critical understanding of sources.	Refine work by exploring ideas, selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes.	Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions as work progresses.	Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and demonstrates understanding of visual language.
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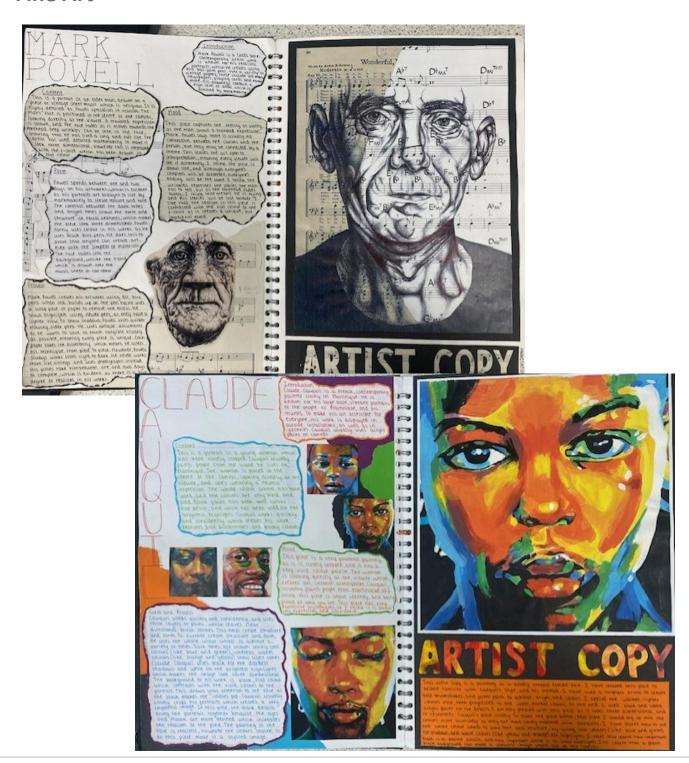
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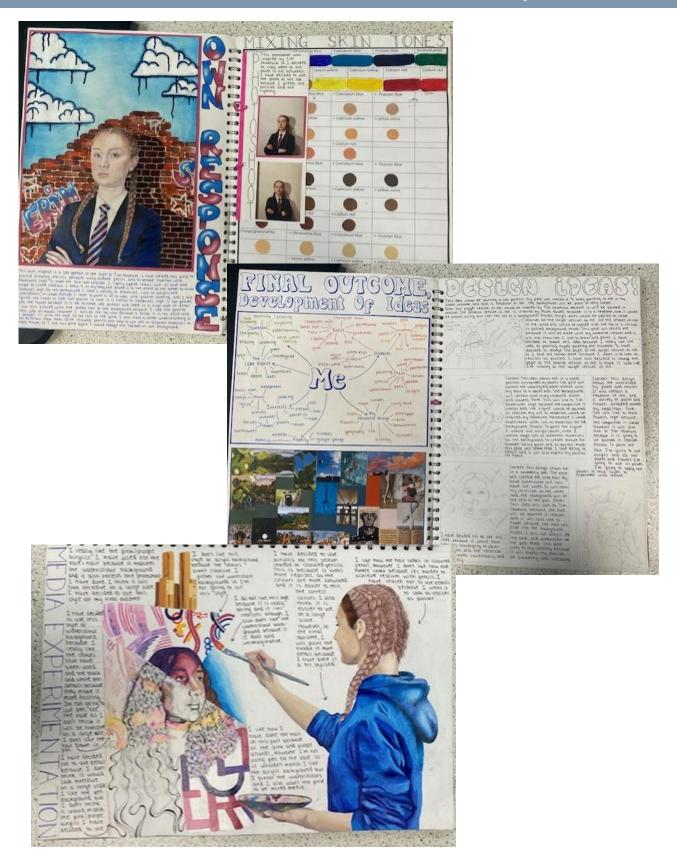
The marks awarded on the papers will be scaled to meet the weighting of the components. Students' final marks will be calculated by adding together the scaled marks for each component. Grade boundaries will be set using this total scaled mark. The scaling and total scaled marks are shown in the table below.

Component	Maximum raw mark	Scaling factor	Maximum scaled mark
Component 1: Portfolio	96	x3	288
Component 2: Externally set assignment	96	x2	192
		Total scaled mark:	480

Appendix 3: Example pages from sketchbook/folders demonstrating possible layout and presentation.

Fine Art



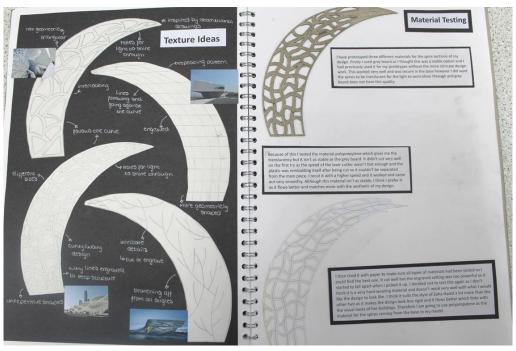




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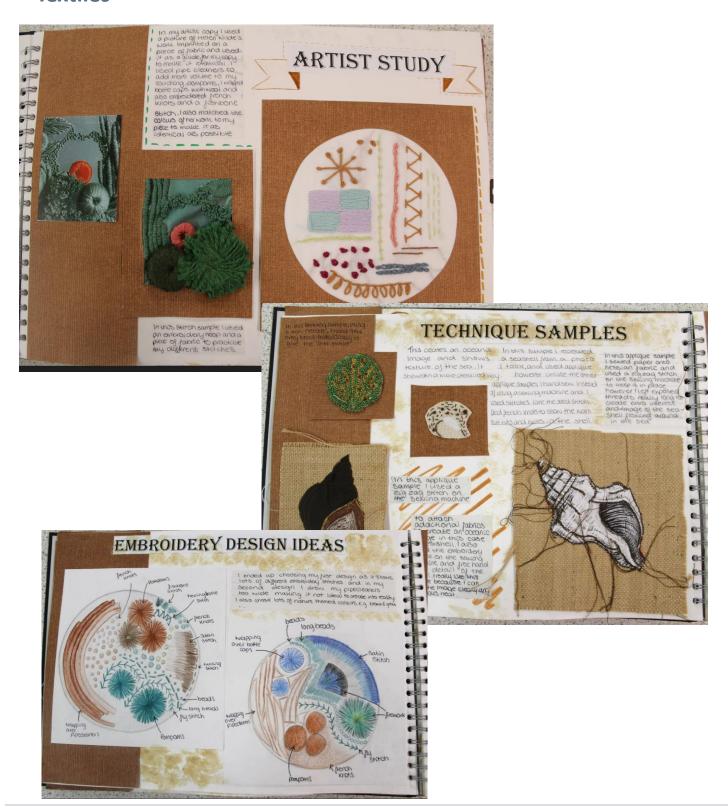








Textiles







Photography





