



FILM STUDIES

Key Stage 4

What is GCSE Film Studies?

This course combines academic study with the practical and creative elements of film production, so will be suitable for anyone who has a keen interest in Film and wants to understand how the film industry works, how to analyse films, how to make films, and how films 'work' for audiences.

Why take GCSE Film Studies?

The subject provides more than just knowledge: it provides training in analytical and critical thinking, and develops a variety of transferable skills. Industry and commerce want people who can think for themselves, absorb a lot of information, ask critical questions, analyse problems, research information, present reports and communicate clearly. All these skills can be acquired through the study of Film.

How can Film Studies help me progress?

The study of Film is suitable for students intending to pursue a broad range of careers in, for example, journalism, broadcasting, marketing, the leisure and tourism industries, and publishing. It is also highly appropriate for students intending to pursue business or managerial careers.

How will I be assessed?

- Component 1 – Examination on 'US Film' - 1 hour 30 minutes (35% of qualification)
- Component 2 – Examination on 'Global Film' – 1 hour 30 minutes (35% of qualification)
- Component 3 – Non-exam assessment 'Production' (30% of qualification)