

Art

Subject Content

Design or Craft - 5 hrs - 100 marks

Batik, Weaving, Calligraphy, Lino Print, Book craft, Poster, Sculpture etc.

Students get the exam paper one week prior. Pupils produce a preparatory page i.e collect and stick down images, lettering and drawings on one A2 page. This page may be brought into the exam to aid the creation of a final piece and also the development page. The development page must show initial designs, layout and development of the final design.

Imaginative Composition / Still Life 2hrs 30mins- 100 marks

Students are given a choice of 3 texts.

Imaginative Composition -A picture, sketch, painting, collage, mixed media.

Still life- A composition of still life objects using a variety of media.

Students receive the exam paper one week prior to the exam.

Life Sketching - 1hour - 50 marks

Two sketches of a model in a specific pose.

Students receive the exam paper one week prior to the exam.

Art History 2 hrs 30 mins - 150 marks

3 Sections - students must answer one question from each section.

Irish - Prehistoric to present day.

European - Middle ages to present day.

General appreciation - Design, film, exhibitions, town planning, public sculpture, posters, advertising.

Exam Structure

There are 4 Examinations

2/3 Practical 1/3 History and Appreciation of Art

- 1 - 5 hour Craft Exam.
- 1 - Imaginative Composition Exam / Still Life.
- 1 - Life Drawing Exam.
- 1 - Art History Exam.

Marking Scheme for elements of Art Exam

Ordinary/Higher level .

1. Design or Craft 100 (5hrs - completed in one day).

2. Imaginative Composition or Still life 100.

3. Life Sketching 50 (two studies).

4. Art History 150 (3 questions X 50 marks each).

For elements 1. 2. and 3. - Pupils receive exam papers a week prior to sitting exam. These exams are completed at the end of April/beginning of May.

Comment

An aptitude for essay writing, self directed research skills and a sound understanding of the design process is essential for Senior Level Art.

There is no continuous project work in 6th year - all exam based. Pupils receive practical exam papers a week prior to sitting exam. These exams are completed at the end of April/beginning of May. The Art History exam is completed in June. A gallery trip is compulsory for the course.