

Drama and Theatre Studies

Awarding Body
Edexcel

Course Level
AS and A2 level

Course Leader
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Entry Requirements
GCSE English grade C and/or Drama GCSE grade C or above

Course Description

AS Level: 2 units	A2 Level: 2 units
<p>Unit 1 – Exploration of Drama and Theatre 40% of total AS mark; 20% of total A2 mark</p> <p>This unit introduces students to the content of plays written for the theatre. They will learn how to analyse plays in a variety of ways so that they become familiar with the way written plays can be interpreted for realisation in performance.</p> <p>Internally assessed: explore two contrasting play texts, in a practical and active way. Students are required to evaluate a live theatre performance. To be completed by end of May.</p>	<p>Unit 3- Exploration of Dramatic Performance 20% of the total A2 mark</p> <p>This unit requires the creation of a unique and original piece of theatre. The knowledge and understanding gained in the AS units can now be applied to a created production.</p> <p>Internally assessed: Students will be assessed on the research and development of their work as the final performance in front of an identified audience. They are required to submit an evaluation on both the process and performance of their work.</p>
<p>Unit 2 – Theatre Text in Performance 60% of total AS mark; 30% of total A2 mark</p> <p>This unit offers students the chance to demonstrate skills in a performance environment. The knowledge and understanding gained during the study of two plays in Unit 1 can now be applied with a view to delivering a performance to an audience.</p> <p>Externally assessed: Students offer a monologue or duologue. Students contribute to a performance of a professionally published play.</p>	<p>Unit 4 – Theatre Text in Context 30% of the total A2 mark</p> <p>This externally examined written unit requires the detailed study of one set play text and one prescribed historical period of theatrical development.</p> <p>Externally assessed: 2 .5 hour written paper in three sections.</p>