



WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Media Studies is an exciting and challenging subject, which encourages students to critically engage with a broad range of historical and contemporary media products.

Students who are best suited to the Media Studies A Level will not only be avid TV, magazine and news consumers, but will also want to analyse those products and their effects on society and culture.



A LEVEL MEDIA STUDIES

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 5 GCSE subjects graded 9-5 including English and Maths and 2 GCSE subjects graded 9-6.

COURSE FEATURES

- Academic Development - opportunity to take additional qualifications and develop skills alongside academic studies.
- Work placement.
- Partnerships with some of the UK's leading employers.
- Programme designed in response to the findings of some of the UK's leading universities and businesses.
- Exceptional learning facilities.
- Small class sizes.
- Additional academic support tutorials delivered individually or in small groups.
- Mock interviews.
- Opportunities to undertake enterprise projects and compete in local and national competitions.
- Enrichment opportunities that add value to applications for higher study and chosen careers, including an enhanced guest speaker programme.

Students undertake a work placement, voluntary and charity work opportunities.

These experiences will help you build vital skills and expand your personal development, as well as boosting applications to top universities and employers.

The college's strong industry links, combined with its purpose built state-of-the-art facilities, provide the foundations for establishing a dynamic career, with the support of industry experienced professional tutors.

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

Students benefit from a range of extra qualifications, work placements, voluntary work and masterclasses, delivered by industry experts. Options include:

Live studio recordings (including Question of Sport), Q&A sessions with writers and directors.

COURSE LENGTH

A Level Media Studies is full-time for two academic years.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Through a combination of written exams and practical assessments.

WHAT CAN I PROGRESS TO?

You may progress to study at a Russell group university for degrees in a wide range of related subjects.

UNIVERSITY COURSES

Cinematics & Photography	Marketing
Design	Media Studies
Film Studies	Production Management
International Media	Sociology
Journalism	TV Studies

CAREER ASPIRATIONS

Media Studies can be used to gain access to a variety of humanities-based university courses, or more specifically to study theoretical or practical media at degree level. The course can lead you to careers in:

Audio-Visual Production	Media Producing & Directing
Journalism	Photography
Marketing Profession	Public Relations



A LEVEL EXTENDED CHOICES MEDIA & DIGITAL

If you choose to attend Parsons Walk, Wigan you may study a mixed programme of A Levels and a BTEC Level 3 qualification to help you fulfil your career ambitions.

This provides an alternative route to university and degree apprenticeships and may be suitable for those who prefer a combination of coursework and examinations.

A LEVELS (choose two from the following)	BTEC LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE (equivalent to one A Level)	ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Business English Language and Literature* or English Literature Media Studies Sociology	BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate Digital Film & Video Production Provides the appropriate skills in technical roles such as single & multi camera productions, sound recording and editing. The course will prepare you for entry into creative media roles such as post-production runner, broadcast assistant, assistant to camera crew and many more.	A minimum of 5 GCSE subjects graded 9-5 including English and Maths. If you wish to study A Level English you will need a grade 6 at GCSE.

*AS is no longer a stand alone option.

If you have any queries please contact our Admissions Team: **01942 761 111** or email: **applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk**

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