

A LEVEL PROFESSIONAL PATHWAY CREATIVE STUDIES



WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will study a combination of A Levels to provide a good foundation for further study or employment in the creative industries, media and the arts. You will also benefit from our unique Academic Development Day which includes an Extended Project Qualification, work placements, voluntary work and masterclasses delivered by industry experts. The combination of A Levels, additional qualifications and work experience will develop your enthusiasm and critical understanding of creative organisations.

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Fine Art*
Media Studies
English Literature OR English Language and Literature*
+ a further AS in year 1

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

GCSE TARIFF

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

* AS is no longer a stand alone option. A Level Fine Art is based at Leigh College.

Following successful completion of the AS year you may choose to continue to study all four subjects to A Level. However, you may progress with three subjects and retain an AS qualification in one, which will contribute to your UCAS or higher apprenticeship applications.

COURSE FEATURES

- Insight into the creative industries through work experience.
- Exceptional learning facilities.
- Partnerships with some of the UK's leading employers.
- Academic Development Day - opportunity to develop industry related skills alongside academic studies.
- Programme designed in response to the findings of some of the UK's leading universities and businesses.
- 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 add value to applications for higher study and chosen careers.
- Guest speaker programme.

The creative industries offer a wide range of career opportunities.

This pathway has been designed to equip you with a range of skills and experiences to support your UCAS applications.

We have combined traditional academic A Level subjects with professional experiences to offer you a comprehensive programme of study.

COURSE LENGTH

The Creative Studies A Level Professional Pathway and the Extended Choices programme are full-time for two academic years.

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

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A LEVEL EXTENDED CHOICES DIGITAL MEDIA

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
<p>Business</p> <p>English Language and Literature* or English Literature</p> <p>Media Studies</p> <p>Sociology</p>	<p>BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate Digital Film and Video Production</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>A minimum of 5 GCSE subjects graded 9-5 including English and Maths.</p> <p>If you wish to study A Level English you will need a grade 6 at GCSE.</p>

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ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT DAY

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

- Contributing to the A Level magazine
- Extended Project Qualification
- Guest speakers from industry and universities
- Work experience

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Through a variety of methods including formal examinations and coursework.

WHAT CAN I PROGRESS TO?

Successful students will be able to apply for a place at a Russell Group university studying a creative degree.

CAREER PROSPECTS

Experienced journalists can expect to earn more than £35k a year. Other careers include:

- Broadcast Journalists
- Copywriter
- Fashion Designer
- Fine Artist
- Graphic & Digital Designer
- Investigative Journalist
- Illustrator
- Photographer
- PR Manager
- Product Designer
- Script Writer
- Set Designer/Interior Designer
- Textile Designer
- TV/Film Producer



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