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Student representative

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“It really helps you to improve your musical performing skills. The theory that you learn also helps you when performing anything. You get to face new musical challenges which help you to become really confident with reading music. There is a set work to study and it is so much fun.”



Exam Board: AQA

Duration: 1 Year

What is it worth? 1 AS Level

Why take this course? Who is it for?

You enjoy playing an instrument and/or singing. You are already able to perform to at least grade 4 standard. You enjoy learning how to compose. You enjoy listening to different styles of music, analysing in depth and learning about how and when it was made. You already have GCSE music (grade C or above) OR have taken music exams OR can read music and/or perform to a good standard.

What does this course involve?

Perform (solo and group)

Compose music of different styles

Listen and answer questions on features of musical styles

Analyse music, discussing technical features used and context of composition.

Read and write music.

What possible progression routes are available after taking this course?

A2 level music or a National Diploma in Music Technology or Music Practice. You can then progress on to degree level courses in music or performance. There are a wide range of subjects available, for example, recording, composing, management. Music or Performance degrees can be combined with other subjects.

What are the special features?

Practical environment

Music links with other creative/artistic courses AND also scientific and mathematical ones!

What possible careers follow on from this course?

There are a huge range of careers you can enter. You can work for yourself as a performer or work for an organisation in the music or performance industry (theatre, recording studio, film or TV company, production company). You can enter teaching and training.

How you will be assessed?

Teacher assessed units during the course (moderated by exam board) for composing and performing. Listening exam in May.

Who do I see for further information?

Miss Kitchen

Current Results

100% A-E