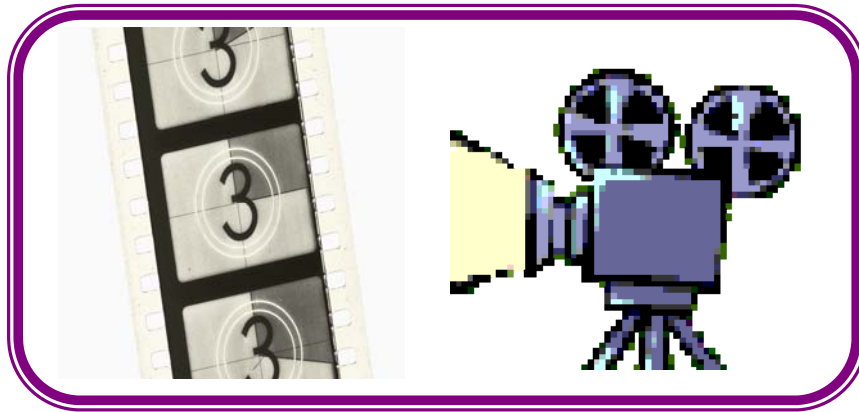


# GCSE Media Studies



**Exam Board:** AQA

**Duration:** 2 Year

**What is it worth?** | GCSE

**Why take this course? Who is it for?**

This is a very hands on course which will appeal to any one who has an interest in the media which surrounds us. Whether you are a film fanatic, serial downloader or a internet addict this course will allow you to explore and create various media texts. It will put the theory in place to improve and develop your practice. The course itself involves a lot of group work, research and creativity.

**What does this course involve?**

This is a 100% practical course. Your final grade depends exclusively on the project you do during the course. All assessments are coursework based – no exams.

Unit One – Examination based on pre-production and production work in response to an industry-related brief 40%.

Unit Two - Portfolio Evidence – three assignments 60%.

**What possible progression routes are available after taking this course?**

A-Level Media Studies would be an obvious choice, however, this course also builds skills which are transferable into areas such as English and Drama also.

**What are the special features?**

An opportunity for those who like to express their ideas and enjoy being at the cutting edge of media developments.

**What possible careers follow on from this course?**

Popular career routes include working within the film industry, in the world of TV (production or commercial), or in various areas of written media such as magazines or newspapers. There is also an opportunity to move on to radio presenting.

**How you will be assessed?**

One examination, Three pieces of practical coursework.

**Who do I see for further information?**

Mr Westmoreland (Faculty Leader for English, Media and Languages;

Miss Hallowell (teacher of Media)

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