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A Level Photography

Course Title: A Level Photography	LARS/QAN Code:
Level: Three	Awarding Organisation: AQA
Delivery: Classroom based	Start Date: 8/9/2020
Location: Headlands School	Url: http://www.headlandsschool.co.uk/
Cost: Covered by EFA funding	Duration: 2 years
Full-time or Part-time: Full-time	Attendance: Daytime
Who is the course for:	
Confidence in the use of image manipulation, either on Photoshop or similar program is expected.	
We would normally expect students to have completed a GCSE qualification in a creative subject to start the course; however this is not always essential if you can prove your ability, commitment and motivation to be successful. Please direct any questions you have to a member of the Art and Design department who will be more than willing to help.	
You will be expected to demonstrate skills in exploring visual language; the ability to respond to an issue or theme; appreciation of viewpoint; the appropriate use of camera and understanding techniques relating to printing images.	
Entry requirements:	
Typical grades needed 5 x GCSE grade 5 and above, including a grade 6 in a related subject.	
What you'll learn:	
Component 1: In component 1, students develop work based on an idea, issue, concept or theme leading to a finished outcome or a series of related finished outcomes. Practical elements should make connections with some aspect of contemporary or past practice of artist(s), designers(s), photographers or craftspeople and include written work of no less than 1000 and no more than 3000 words which support the practical work.	
Component 2: In component 2, students respond to a stimulus, provided by AQA, to produce work which provides evidence of their ability to work independently within specified time constraints, developing a personal and meaningful response which addresses all the assessment objectives and leads to a finished outcome or a series of related finished outcomes.	

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<u>How you'll learn:</u>
Through workshops, research and self-guided explorations of visual language.
<u>What you need to bring:</u>
Camera's will be provided but you can bring your own. You need to but an SD card and reader. Sketchbooks can be purchased at school or you can provide your own.
<u>How you'll be assessed:</u>
You will be assessed on Component 1: Personal Investigation , a practical component supported by a written element. 60% of A Level Component 2: Externally set assignment . 40% of A Level - Includes 15 hours of supervised examination time Each component is assessed against 4 objectives involving skills in developing and exploring ideas, experimenting with materials, recording observations and producing final pieces based on research into the work of artists, craftspeople and designers.
<u>Where next:</u>
Photography qualifications can lead to careers in many creative industries. Following Sixth Form you could apply directly to University or Art College. If you do not intend to follow Photography at University and subsequently as a career, the skills gained on the A level course will develop your creative abilities, in particular personal responses to ideas and meeting deadlines.