

Course Title	A Level Drama and Theatre
Exam Board	Eduqas
Course Description:	<p>The course is divided into three components.</p> <p>The WJEC Eduqas A level in Drama and Theatre is an exciting and inspiring course which prepares learners for further study in Higher Education. This highly practical specification provides learners with the opportunity to work as either performers and/or designers on three different performances.</p> <p>In Component 1 learners reinterpret a text to create a piece of theatre which is a combination of the selected text and original ideas.</p> <p>In Component 2 learners engage with a stimulus to create two pieces of theatre; one an interpretation of a text of their own choice and the other a devised piece.</p> <p>Both Components 1 and 2 are designed to encourage learners to make connections between dramatic theory and their own practice. While preparing their practical work, learners will explore the work of two theatre practitioners (individuals or companies) of their own choice and then apply their research to their performances or designs. Learners are also required to watch at least two live theatre productions and learn about the processes and practices involved in interpreting and performing theatre.</p> <p>In Component 3, learners explore two complete performance texts and one extract from a third text. There is an exciting and diverse list of texts to choose from; centres must select one which was written before 1956 and one which was written after 1956.</p>
Assessment:	<p>Component 1 (20% of qualification) is internally assessed and externally moderated.</p> <p>Component 2 (40% of qualification) is externally assessed by a visiting examiner.</p> <p>Component 3:(40% of qualification) is assessed through a written examination.</p>
Admission Criteria:	<p>Grade 6 or higher in GCSE Drama. Students who have not studied Drama at GCSE can gain entry via a Grade 6 in English and experience in performing arts/ design will be considered subject to audition/interview.</p>
Additional Information:	<p>This is an exciting and inspiring course which prepares learners for further study in Higher Education in any communication field, from Law to Journalism, Acting to Scenic Design. It offers a practical and challenging course of study that ensures learners gain a comprehensive appreciation of the nature of drama and theatre and what it means to be human. In addition to this, studying Drama and Theatre develops essential transferable skills valued by Universities and employers such as communication, analysis, observation, diligence, resilience, ability to work as a team and under pressure, creativity and empathy.</p>