

Film Studies GCSE

Exam Board: EDUQAS
Course Code: C670QS

Film Studies course overview

Film studies is a contemporary subject that explores the medium of film in its many forms. Students will study cinema from a range of time periods and genres, and study films that have been produced across the world. If you love watching films and want to broaden your appreciation and understanding of cinema from blockbuster to independent productions, and are confident in analysing text and producing extended pieces of writing, then this is the subject for you.

Subject content

GCSE Film Studies aims to engage you in the in-depth analytical study of film in relation to the key areas of film history, film form, narrative, representation and production.

How is the course assessed?

Component 1

A study of two mainstream and one independent film produced in the USA and the history of film technology.

Assessment: a written exam, 35%

Component 2

A study of three films: one global English language film, one global non-English language film and one contemporary UK film.

Assessment: a written exam, 35%

Component 3

A production piece of a screenplay extract, a shooting script and an evaluative analysis.

Assessment: coursework, 30%

Is this course for you?

Are you passionate about media and learning about how movies get made? If you are interested in a career in the media, this option can help develop your knowledge of what goes into making a film; blending practical and analytical elements and watching a wide range of movies from all over the globe.

Career progression

The course provides an excellent progression route into a range of A-level subjects. You will develop essential knowledge and skills that will prepare you effectively for Media Studies, English Language and Literature, and other essay-based subjects. If you are interested in a career in Media, Film or Television, the course is an ideal starting point on your journey as it covers the essential foundations of the industry.

Who can I contact for further advice or support?

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