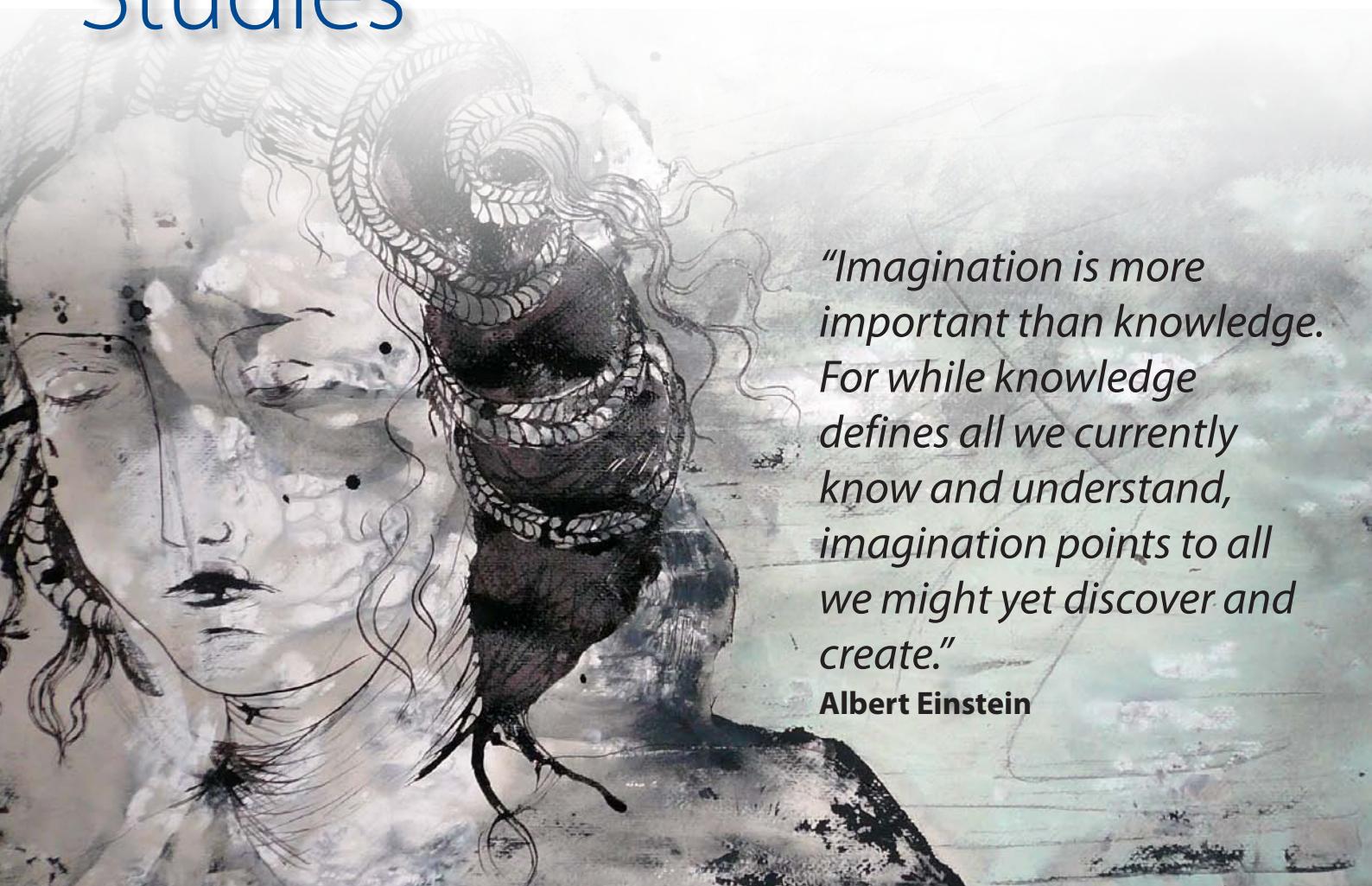




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OCR GCSE

Art and Design: Critical and Contextual Studies



"Imagination is more important than knowledge. For while knowledge defines all we currently know and understand, imagination points to all we might yet discover and create."

Albert Einstein

*Where in the world would we be without **art and design**?*

Why OCR GCSE Art and Design: Critical and Contextual Studies? Let us put you in the picture.

If you're weighing up your GCSE options at the moment, take a minute to consider just what you might gain if you choose our Art and Design: Critical and Contextual Studies. Read on and let us explain a bit more...

What's in it for me?

This GCSE is designed to bring Art and Design to life and to help you develop your artistic skills and expand your creativity, imagination and independence. What's more, the possibilities for personal expression are endless.

How could it help with my future?

The course is good preparation for progression to A Level in Art and Design: Critical and Contextual Studies or a suitable college/vocational course. Promoting analysis, it could lead towards a career in an art gallery or as an art expert/reviewer, a curator, and more. It also encourages your own work as an artist.

What are some of the things I'll learn?

We want this to be an inspiring GCSE that will encourage you to consider a wide range of approaches to expressing yourself through different materials, media and techniques.

It will help you gain knowledge and understanding of art, craft, design, media and technologies today and in the past, and in different societies and cultures. You'll also develop an understanding of the different roles, audiences and consumers for art, craft and design. You'll experience different work practices and look at relevant processes and equipment too.

How will my work be assessed?

This GCSE has a controlled assessment unit, which will involve you in producing a portfolio of work. Controlled assessment means coursework you do in a supervised environment – which could be in your classroom or, for example, on a field trip. There'll also be a ten-hour practical task (for which you'll have preparation time too).

What grades could I get?

You'll get a grade for each unit from A* to G and then an overall grade for the whole course, which will be from A* to G.

Got any more questions?

If you think this GCSE is right for you, why not have a chat with your Art and Design teacher?



"The work of art must seize upon you, wrap you up in itself and carry you away. It is the means by which the artist conveys his passion. It is the current which he puts forth, which sweeps you along in his passion. The pain passes, the beauty remains."

Pierre-Auguste Renoir