

Film Studies



Exam Board WJEC

Qualification GCE A-Level Film Studies

Entry Requirements Grade 5 in English Language or English Literature

Content (Outline of Course)

Varieties of film and filmmaking

Six feature-length films will be studied for this component:

- Two Hollywood films from 1930 -1990
- Two American films from 2005 onwards
- Two British films from 1995 onwards

Global film

Five feature-length films will be studied for this component:

- Two global films
- One documentary
- One film from silent cinema

Film movements – Experimental film

One feature-length film from 1960 – 2000 will be studied for this component.

Assessment

Varieties of film and filmmaking

- Written examination lasting two and a half hours
- This section forms 33% of the qualification

Global film and Film Movements

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Production

- This is a non-exam assessment – students produce a short film or screenplay and an evaluative analysis.
- This section forms 33% of the qualification

Careers Guidance

Film Studies is a suitable platform for progression to a range of higher education degree and vocational level courses. For those who do not wish to progress further within the field of Film Studies, this course also provides a coherent, engaging and culturally valuable course of study.

The skills developed on the course will also help further study in English literature and other analytical centred subjects. It also develops skills that can enable direct progression into employment.