

# PHOTOGRAPHY

## Course

A level Photography

## Exam Board

AQA

## Entry requirements

Candidates will need to show evidence of academic or personal creative pursuit, such as a good pass in Art or Photography GCSE, a portfolio of art and/or design work or examples of amateur photography.

## Why study Photography?

We are a highly successful department, ranking well above national average for results and having a good record of students receiving offers from their first choices at the top universities in the creative field.

The Art Department have high expectations of all learners and tailor studies to individuals.

By studying Photography A level at St Peter's you will learn the technical and creative skills required to explore personal, historical, local and global themes through photographic and other artistic processes.

## Course content

During the course you will explore:

- Composition
- Use of technical camera functions
- Film photography
- Moving image
- Digital image manipulation
- Experimental photography
- Developing
- Artist/photography study
- Personal ideas through photography

## Assessment

Your best work from workshops, visits, classes and independent study is presented in a portfolio of evidence along with a written assignment (3000 words).

One project will be set by the exam board, providing choice for the starting point; all other projects are teacher or student led.

## Progression after Sixth Form

Photography related degree: BA Photography, Graphic Communication, Film and Television Production, Media, Photography and Psychology, Medical Photography. Illustration. Product Design. Art and Design Foundation.

## Career opportunities

Professional photographer: landscape, medical, food, studio/ portraiture, product photographer, journalist, broadcaster, fine artist, film maker, advertising, public relations, animator, scientific photography e.g. forensic, technical services, media production.

## Other information

Student testimonials:

*‘The independent approach to learning meant I learnt how to learn and how to find things out for myself, which has helped me to do well at university.’*

*‘Studying a creative subject helped me to balance my other A Level subjects.’*

*‘The Art Department really pushed and motivated me over the last two years to get the grades I wanted.’*

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