## Year 12 Photography Curriculum Overview 2023 - 2024

Rationale: The AQA Photography curriculum is a holistic two year course with two components;

Component 1 (Coursework) worth 60% of total mark

Component 2 (Externally Set Assignment) worth 40% of total mark

Assessment Objectives – A LEVEL Art & Design – (Photography) Holistic means the students are assessed on all four assessment objectives in combination:

Assessment Objective 1 - AO1: Develop ideas through sustained and focused investigations informed by contextual and other sources, demonstrating analytical and critical understanding.

Assessment Objective 2 - AO2: Explore and select appropriate resources, media, materials, techniques and processes, reviewing and refining ideas as work develops.

Assessment Objective 3 - AO3: Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions, reflecting critically on work and progress.

Assessment Objective 4 - AO4: Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and, where appropriate, makes connections between visual and other elements.

During Year 12 students complete a Foundation Course in Photography and then later in the year start their Component 1 NEA 1 Assessment work. Component 1 is made up of two parts. To start off with a research project which culminates in a 1000-3000 word essay which then informs the practical element of the coursework. This is realised as an investigative sketchbook and series of outcome pieces.

In Y12 students will be working in a digital sketchbook (Powerpoint) and using TEAMS and Microsoft APPS to store, share and view their resources.

Working independently and completing set homework tasks is essential for success on this course. There are opportunities to come and use the studio facilities both in the school day and in afterschool clubs where PCs are available as well.

Term/Length of	Outline	Assessment/Teacher Feedback	Homework and Literacy resources
Time		Opportunities	Homework
			Compulsory
		Students are assessed individually	All students should be <b>completing a <u>minimum</u> of 6 HOURS</b> Some
		through one to one verbal feedback,	per week. Some students may need to visit external locations to
		written feedback and recorded verbal	get images they require or need to come and work in the studio
		feedback via TEAMS Assignments.	during the school day or in after school Photography
			enrichment sessions.
		Feedback will address all assessment	If students are behind in any aspect of coursework they will be
		objectives as listed above.	required to attend formal intervention sessions with their class
			teacher.

Optional - Enrichment Opportunities - these tasks are to extend the learning of the student outside of the classroom and give them some freedom to pursue other areas of interest as well as inform assessed work. During this term students will focus on learning how to develop their Photographic skills and knowledge both behind the camera, in the studio, **Autumn Term** explore aspects of Photographic Art History and demonstrate some of these practises in their own work. Autumn 1 Component 1 Compulsory to include: PhotoTASK FAR 1 - Wet processing Practice using the DSLR cameras to demonstrate control over **Foundation Course** settings and focus. This will be evidenced in photographs produced The rational based around this initial course is to allow all Assessed work will include Photographer Each PhotoTASK that is set requires completion within the week. You students to 'level up' and gain core skills and knowledge research / shoot planning / selecting work may need to book studio time as needed to do this. Make sure to bring appropriate props into school as needed to needed for success at A LEVEL. A variety of students and presenting outcomes. Using the enter the course, some who may not have taken a Assessment Objectives students will be Make sure ALL FAR Actions are completed and evidenced in the next creative subject before and those that have marked well assessed and then be able to recognise shoot/piece of work. at GCSE. The foundation course is designed to be where the gaps are before starting their next PhotoTASK. inclusive and enriching for all students. Optional - Enrichment Opportunities Explore talks and events – have a look for what is going on near you The following will be covered teaching through PhotoTASK FAR 2 - Portraits or watch some TED talk videos on Photography referencing practitioners from Photographic Art History. See above https://www.ted.com/topics/photography PhotoTASK FAR 3 - Still Life Photography Culture is a resource for the exploration of photography in a wider context Use of DSLR camera See above https://thephotographersgallery.org.uk/photography-culture Understanding of key technical aspects Unthinking Photography is an online resource that explores Composition & Viewpoint photography's increasingly automated, networked life. https://unthinking.photography/ Different genres of photography 100+ ideas to explore creative approaches in Photography. Some wet processing techniques https://www.studentartguide.com/articles/creative-photography-Analysis of the work of others and contextual ideas Verbal Feedback will be given weekly to understanding of images Art2Day a great website for Photographer inspiration -Varied studio lighting techniques all students during lessons. http://www.art2day.co.uk/photography2.html Explore these websites.... Mini week long projects with photographic https://www.peckham24.com/ As needed additional feedback will be outcomes (PhotoTASKS) Lomographics - the home of the strange and wonderful world of personalised and recorded on TEAMS for Lomography. Don't think just shoot! Students will also need to get a clear understanding of referencing later. Magnum Photos - home to some of the greatest names in photo the best way for them to manage their data and work **Photoworks** - a link to their youth showcase. Get involved! through varied IT systems in school and at home. https://autograph.org.uk/

#### Have a look at this amazing reference site for all things Photography - https://www.lensculture.com/ Explore the work of others through gallery visits or online galleries – see this amazing website that links to galleries across the world https://www.photostartsheet.com/200 photography galleries.html Photoshop tutorials – See you tube for varied sources or look at https://helpx.adobe.com/uk/photoshop/tutorials.html Local / national competitions – see this site link for examples https://amateurphotographer.com/latest/articles/best-photographycompetitions-to-enter/ Explore alternative photographic techniques https://www.alternativephotographv.com/ FAR 4 Homework Autumn 2 Component 1 Compulsory Will focus on assessment objective 1 and Complete initial research into theme area – mindmaps / quality of research to inform shoot Breaking down the Assessment Objectives – there moodboards / statement of intent - check for appropriate use of planning. Photographic language will is a focus on this at the start of this term so the Photographic language Complete detailed research using writing frames and support need to be evidenced. students have a clear understanding of the holistic resources where needed. nature of marking. We explore in detail what each Write up of workshop sessions into main digital sketchbook. FAR 5 Use the studio and afterschool sessions to complete response shoots means and then use past work to peer mark Focus on 'refinement' of photoshoots and and refinements from these. together as a group. the evidence of clear annotations. Make sure ALL FAR Actions are completed and evidenced in the next shoot/piece of work. Influence of workshops send within the Mini Project – 'Tell Me a Story' work produced. Optional - Enrichment Opportunities Over the next two terms students will be working Explore talks and events – have a look for what is going on near you or watch some TED talk videos on Photography -Verbal Feedback will be given weekly to on their interpretation of the title above. As well as https://www.ted.com/topics/photography all students during lessons. developing the skills learnt in the foundation Photography Culture is a resource for the exploration of course, they will be researching a wide variety of photography in a wider context As needed additional feedback will be https://thephotographersgallery.org.uk/photography-culture other Photographers and sources as well as taking personalised and recorded on TEAMS for Unthinking Photography is an online resource that explores part in additional workshops. These will include; photography's increasingly automated, networked life. referencing later. digital manipulation, projection, further studio https://unthinking.photography/ 100+ ideas to explore creative approaches in Photography. lighting and hand manipulation techniques. https://www.studentartguide.com/articles/creative-photography-Art2Day a great website for Photographer inspiration -Initially students will complete Mindmaps. http://www.art2day.co.uk/photography2.html Moodboards and a Statement of Intent based Explore these websites.... around their interpretation of the title. Next they https://www.peckham24.com/ Lomographics - the home of the strange and wonderful world of will consider varied Photographers that will Lomography. Don't think just shoot!

	influence and inspire their work, creating research slides based on a selection of images. Finally they will create a series of response shoots and refinements from this.		Magnum Photos - home to some of the greatest names in photo journalism.  Photoworks - a link to their youth showcase. Get involved!  • https://autograph.org.uk/  • Have a look at this amazing reference site for all things Photography - https://www.lensculture.com/  • Explore the work of others through gallery visits or online galleries – see this amazing website that links to galleries across the world - https://www.photostartsheet.com/200_photography_galleries.html  • Photoshop tutorials – See you tube for varied sources or look at - https://helpx.adobe.com/uk/photoshop/tutorials.html  • Local / national competitions – see this site link for examples https://amateurphotographer.com/latest/articles/best-photography-competitions-to-enter/  • Explore alternative photographic techniques - https://www.alternativephotography.com/
Spring Term	During Spring 1 students will focus on developing their ov Component 1 which starts with the Research Project, 100		cory' project. In Spring 2 all students will start the formal assessed
Spring 1	Component 1	FAR 6	Homework
- p	Students start the term with an investigation into varied hand manipulation techniques to 'work into' existing photographs that they have taken. This allows them to view their work in a different way and investigates other ways in which to present photographic outcomes. Links will be made to modern practitioners working in this way.  Next they will consider their second set of photographers/sources to inform their idea development. Again this will include Photographer research, image analysis, response shoots and	Review of ideas for final piece. Clear feedback given to focus on AO3/AO4  Verbal Feedback will be given weekly to all students during lessons.  As needed additional feedback will be personalised and recorded on TEAMS for referencing later.	<ul> <li>Compulsory         <ul> <li>Research into different hand manipulation techniques and create research slides from this.</li> <li>Print relevant own images to manipulate</li> <li>Explore varied ways to re-photograph your creations – annotate into your sketchbooks.</li> <li>Create research and slides into second Photographer</li> <li>Use your own time at home and in the studio to complete response and developmental shoots.</li> <li>Create final outcome plan and testing as needed.</li> <li>Make sure ALL FAR Actions are completed and evidenced in the next shoot/piece of work.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Optional - Enrichment Opportunities         <ul> <li>Explore talks and events – have a look for what is going on near you</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	refinement of these.  Next a set of developmental shoots where the students focus in on one specific area of interest to 'deep dive' into.		or watch some TED talk videos on Photography - https://www.ted.com/topics/photography  Photography Culture is a resource for the exploration of photography in a wider context https://thephotographyersgallery.org.uk/photography-culture  Unthinking Photography is an online resource that explores photography's increasingly automated, networked life.

	Finally students will create an idea for a Final Outcome and start working on this		<ul> <li>100+ ideas to explore creative approaches in Photography.         <ul> <li>https://www.studentartguide.com/articles/creative-photography-ideas</li> </ul> </li> <li>Art2Day a great website for Photographer inspiration -             http://www.art2day.co.uk/photography2.html             Explore these websites</li> <li>https://www.peckham24.com/</li> </ul> <li>Lomographics - the home of the strange and wonderful world of         <ul> <li>Lomography. Don't think just shoot!</li> <li>Magnum Photos - home to some of the greatest names in photo             journalism.</li> <li>Photoworks - a link to their youth showcase. Get involved!</li> <li>https://autograph.org.uk/</li> </ul> </li> <li>Have a look at this amazing reference site for all things Photography         <ul> <li>https://www.lensculture.com/</li> </ul> </li> <li>Explore the work of others through gallery visits or online galleries –         see this amazing website that links to galleries across the world -             https://www.photostartsheet.com/200_photography_galleries.html</li> <li>Photoshop tutorials – See you tube for varied sources or look at -             https://helpx.adobe.com/uk/photoshop/tutorials.html</li> <li>Local / national competitions – see this site link for examples             https://amateurphotographer.com/latest/articles/best-photography-             competitions-to-enter/</li> <li>Explore alternative photographic techniques -             https://www.alternativephotography.com/</li>
Spring 2	Students start this term with completing their Final	FAR 7	Homework
	Outcome for their 'Tell me a Story' Project. This will be presented formally by the students to each other in a critique meeting.  Component 1 – NEA 1 Research Project – Assessed Work  The students will approach this as a research project with the end result an illustrated essay. The written material must:  • be a coherent and logically structured extended response of between	Formal numerical mark of 'Tell Me a Story' project. All assessment objectives will be covered. Students will respond to their actions and evidence progress as course continues.  Verbal Feedback will be given weekly to all students during lessons.  As needed additional feedback will be personalised and recorded on TEAMS for	Compulsory  Complete initial research into area of interest Preparation for initial critique session to share and discuss ideas Complete detailed research into area of interest posing various questions that they want to want out about. Create a clear essay plan Write introduction section Make sure ALL FAR Actions are completed and evidenced in the next essay draft  Optional - Enrichment Opportunities - to support external reading and research task Either/And - Essays, discussions and slide sows exploring 8 related themes in contemporary photography.
	<ul> <li>1000 and 3000 words of continuous prose.</li> <li>include specialist vocabulary appropriate to the subject matter</li> <li>include a bibliography that, identifies contextual references from sources such as: books, journals, websites, through studies of others' work made during a residency, or on a site, museum or gallery visit</li> </ul>	referencing later.  FAR 8	The Missing Chapter: Black Chronicles - an amazing resource (and engaging web app) from the folks at Autograph ABP featuring an archive of black and ethnic minority portraits.  Photoquotes - a great source of quotations by photographers about photography.

• be legible with accurate use of spelling, punctuation and grammar so that meaning is clear.

\* Annotation must not be included in the word count for the written material.

'Photography Changes Everything' – university style sessions discussing key ideas around contemporary Photographic practice as well as referencing historical ideas too.

Students explore the concept of 'Research' what it is and how to do it effectively?

Next they undertake initial research into their chosen area of interest and prepare for formal Critiques where they will present their ideas and collection of relevant images. On reflection from the critiques students will decide on their formal title for the project and start detailed research from varied sources.

Students will take part in lessons considering essay structure and planning sessions, First draft will be written and submitted after Easter Break.

Complete introduction – assessment will be looking on clarity of intent and future planning.

<u>Object: Photo</u> - a fantastic Museum of Modern Art interactive website exploring avant-garde photography from the 1920s and 30s.

<u>Wikipedia</u> Photography pages. A great source of historical and technical information.

<u>Visions & Images</u> - a great series of video interviews with the greats of American photography.

<u>Interviews with famous photographers</u> - a series of downloadable archive recordings of interviews with Ansel Adams, Eve Arnold, Richard Long and Andy Warhol courtesy of BBC Four.

<u>Josef Chladek's virtual photobook shelf</u> - a wonderful collection of some of the most interesting photobooks ever published.

**Achtung Photobook** archive - another great collection of photobooks organised by decade.

Vincent Borrelli - rare and contemporary photobooks.

**1000 Words** magazine - a quarterly online magazine dedicated to critical engagement with contemporary photography in the UK and beyond. **ASX** - American Suburb X is a wonderful resource packed with critical essays, interviews, reviews of books, exhibitions and photographs.

**The British Journal of Photography** online - the online version of the oldest running photography magazine. Great snippets of contemporary photo culture.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Conscientious} & \underline{(Extended)} & -longer articles about fine art photography and extended interviews with its leading practitioners. Thoroughly recommended. \\ \end{tabular}$ 

**Flak photo** - an impressive collection of contemporary photographers. **Lux online** - a great resource for film and video artists and their work.

<u>Photo Triggers</u> - a great resource for recovering community experiences through photography.

On this date in photography - a wonderful blog from James McArdle featuring fascinating stories about historical events in photography organised by date.

### **Summer Term**

Summer 1

## In this term students will start the practical element of Component 1 focusing on research and response shoots.

## Component 1 – NEA 1 Research Project – Assessed Work

NOTE - During this half term some studio time/lessons are compromised due to GCSE and A LEVEL exams. During these sessions lessons will be re roomed as needed.

Students will hand in their first formal draft of essay and immediately action the responses from the FAR mark. The second draft is to be completed during first week of lessons. Any additional corrections will be completed during homework task time.

## FAR 9

Review of Essay draft one. All student will action corrections suggested to be handed in after Easter break.

Verbal Feedback will be given weekly to all students during lessons.

### Homework Compulsory

- Complete Essay FAR corrections x 2
- Complete Statement of Intent review and correct as needed
- Complete initial shoots you will need to be working independently outside of lessons to do this as well as using studio time
- Create research and slides into Photographers/source of research
- Use your own time at home and in the studio to complete response and developmental shoots.

Optional - Enrichment Opportunities — to support external reading and research task

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	EXTENDED ENRICHMENT RESOURCES	
EXTRA RESOURCES Commercial Galleries	Public galleries & collections	Suggested Reading list
<u>photo-eye</u> - sort images by photograph		Photography Academic Reading
genre/subject. Some fascinating work	, - , ,	The Photograph, Graham Clarke, 1997
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Eve Arnold and contemporary photogram	•	Nays of Seeing, John Berger
Eve Arnold and contemporary photographs - contains a wide value of special collections including Man Rays	•	Understanding a Photograph, John Berger

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important Electricite portfolio.

Morehouse gallery -contains some great work plus a collection of Harry Callahans colour photography.

Fraenkel Gallery - San Francisco, one of the most important commercial photography galleries in America.

Peter Fetterman Gallery - an excellent collection of work by famous photographers including Cartier-Bresson, Helen Levitt, Robert Capa and Elliot Erwitt.

<u>Stephen Daiter Gallery</u> - a great collection of work by a broad range of photographers with good quality scans of their work.

<u>David Zwirner</u> - particularly like <u>this resource</u> about the work of William Eggleston.

The Museum of Modern Art New York, Photography Collection, containing online exhibitions of Cindy Sherman's *Untitled Film Stills* and work by Andreas Gursky, Manuel Alvarez Bravo and Aleksandr Rodchenko amongst others.

The Hillman Photography Initiative at the Carnegie Museum of Art explores the creation, transmission, consumption, storage, potential loss, and reemergence of photographic images in contemporary culture.

<u>The Museum of New Mexico</u> Photography Collection, containing an online exhibition of thematically related work entitled *Idea Photographic*.

George Eastman House International Museum of Photography and Film. Scroll down to find the alphabetical list of photographers in the collection.

New York Public Library Photography Collection, containing famous work by both Berenice Abbott and Lewis Hine.

The National Museum of Film,
Photography and Television in Bradford.
The Victoria and Albert Museum
Photography pages. Explore one of the

oldest collections of photographs in the world.

<u>The Photographers Gallery</u> London. Check out current, previous and future exhibitions.

The Maison Européenne de la Photographie in Paris.
The International Centre of Photography New York.

The Photography Reader, Liz Wells

Burning with Desire, Geoffrey Batch

Photography Changes Everything, Edited by Marvin Heiferman

Classic Essays on Photography, Alan Trachtenberg

The Photograph as Contemporary Art, Charlotte Cotton

On Photography, Susan Sontag

Camera Lucida, Roland Barthes

Post Photography: The Artist with a Camera, Robert Shore

Art Photography Now, Susan Bright

Genius of Photography, Gerry Badger

Art Photography, David Bate

Photography, The Key Concepts, David Bate

Pandoras Camera: Photography After Photography, Joan Fontcuberta

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