

Art & Design

My Learning, My Future

Bringing learning to life: Connecting Art & Design to careers, pathways, and the world beyond the classroom

Why study Art & Design?

Develops
essential skills

Supports
emotional
wellbeing

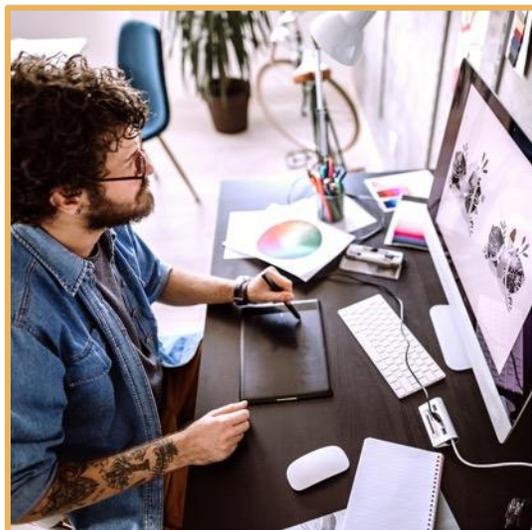
Connects to
diverse career
pathways

Fosters
creativity and
innovation

Builds visual
literacy

Explore a career as a...

Here are some example roles and careers linked to Art & Design



Graphic Designer

[BBC Bitesize Video](#)

[BBC Bitesize Profile](#)



Digital Content Producer

[BBC Bitesize case study](#)



Illustrator

[BBC Bitesize Profile](#)

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Art Director

[BBC Bitesize Video](#)



Jewellery Designer

[BBC Bitesize Profile](#)



Photographer

[BBC Bitesize Profile](#)

Not so obvious careers that use Art & Design:

Ever thought about..?

BBC
Bitesize

[How to become a junior copywriter: Gail's story - BBC Bitesize](#)

[How to become a prop maker: Miles' story - BBC Bitesize](#)

[How to become a founder of a makeup brand: Jessica's story - BBC Bitesize](#)

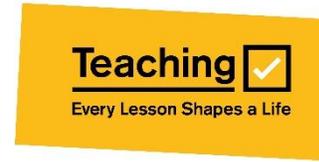
National
Careers
Service

[Landscape architect | Explore careers | National Careers Service](#)

[Art therapist | Explore careers | National Careers Service](#)

[Florist | Explore careers | National Careers Service](#)

Why not teach Art & Design?



- No two days are the same – and neither are the pupils
- Once qualified you can teach throughout your life
- You could teach abroad
- Progress your career into leadership and management
- Bring your outside interests into the classroom and your subject

Explore teaching

[Daniel's Story](#)

[Jem's Story](#)

[Shaniqua's Story](#)

The right skills to teach?

[Work well in a team?](#)

[Love to nurture imagination?](#)

[Love to keep learning?](#)



What makes a great teacher?

GCSE

While there are different routes you can take to be a teacher there are a few essential things that you will need:

- A minimum GCSE Grade 4 or above in English and Maths (plus Science if you want to teach primary)
- A degree or equivalent qualification

A-Level

A-Levels are 2 years of study

T level

T levels are nationally recognised, technical qualifications for 16–19-year-olds. Designed by leading employers, one T level is equivalent in size to 3 A-Levels

Vocational/Technical Qualification

These include BTEC, Applied General Qualifications (AGQ) and Vocational Technical Qualifications (VTQ) – all at Level 3

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are jobs which combine practical work and study. Intermediate is Level 2, Advanced is Level 3

Degree

Complete a degree course

It is possible to get QTS as part of an undergraduate degree, for example:

- Bachelor of Arts (BA) with QTS
- Bachelor of Education (BEd) with QTS
- Bachelor of Science (BSc) with QTS

Level 4/5 qualifications

Complete a L4/5 course and top up to a degree – L4/5 includes Certificate of HE, Diploma of HE, Higher Technical Qualification (HTQ), HNC, HND and Foundation degrees

Top up to a degree (Level 6) in a year of full-time study

Higher apprenticeships

Higher level apprenticeship (foundation degree / Level 5)

Degree apprenticeships

Degree apprenticeship (Level 6-7). There is a Level 6 Teaching apprenticeship programme

Initial Teacher Training (ITT) with qualified teacher status (QTS)

Teacher

From passion to profession:

Share a role that sparks your interest

Prepare a 3–5 minute talk to share with a small group on any role that interests you related to Art & Design.



- What is the role?
- What do you need to do to get this role?
- Where do you need to go to carry out this role?
- What might a typical day look like?
- Why are you interested in this role?



**MYPATH Job of the
week (Art & Design)**

Tattoo Artist

Jewellery Designer

Visual Merchandiser

Discover more about different roles

Visit [National Careers Service](#) to find out more about different jobs and find one that might suit you!

Includes:

- Average salary
- Typical hours
- Work patterns
- Pathways/How to become
- Essential Skills
- Daily tasks
- Career path and progression
- Current opportunities

Research Ideas:

- [Graphic Designer](#)
- [Digital Content Producer](#)
- [Illustrator](#)
- [Jewellery Designer](#)
- [Art Director](#)
- [Photographer](#)

Explore careers



View all job profiles alphabetically and filter by category.

Enter a job title or keyword to search

For example, teaching assistant



[Take a skills assessment](#)

If you're not sure where to start, answer questions about your interests to find out which sectors may be best for you.

Choose a way to explore careers. For each job profile, you'll find qualifications needed, salary, progression opportunities and a

Art & Design pathways



Combine study
and work



Study



Work



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Apprenticeships

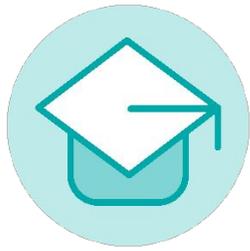
- Florist
- Puppet Maker
- A Visual Effects Creator
- Furniture Designer
- Storyboards Artist
- Arts Therapist
- Curator
- Advertiser & Media Executive
- Photographic Assistant
- Junior Content Producer

T Levels

- Digital Production, Design and Development
- Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction
- Design and Development for Engineering and Manufacturing

VTQs

- Art and Design
- Creative Media
- Digital Media



Study pathways

HTQs (Higher Technical Qualifications)

You might find courses in:

- Art and Design
- Arts Practice
- Photography
- Tattoo Illustration
- Art History and Visual Cultures
- Digital Technologies
- Fine Art
- Jewellery and Silversmithing
- Illustration, Drawing and Printmaking

A levels

You might find courses in:

- A-Level Fine Art
- A-Level History of Art

Higher education

You might find courses in:

- Fine Art
- Graphic Design
- Creative Art Practitioner
- Specialist Hair and Media Make Up
- Animation
- Fine Art
- Textile Design
- Photography



Work pathways

Supported internships with an education, health and care plan

You might read about:

- [Access to Work Funding](#) (if you have a disability or health condition)
- [Preparing for Adulthood](#)

School leaver programmes

You might read about:

- [How to fill in an application form](#)
- [How to write a CV](#)
- [Interview help](#)
- [Progressing your career](#) (Careers Advice from NCS)

University league tables

See at a glance the university ranking for Art & Design

[Art & Design rankings \(thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk\)](https://thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk)

Filter by:

- Overall score
- Entry standards
- Student satisfaction
- Research quality
- Research intensity
- Graduate prospects



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