

# Film Studies

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## **The Course:**

Become aware of film 'language', audiences and the organisations which produce, distribute and exhibit film. The qualification aims to capture your experiences and creative ideas of film and how these relate to the themes and issues we see in the media. The course is underpinned by the relationship between films, their audiences and the organisations which produce, distribute and exhibit them.

## **Paper 1: Exploring Film – 30% (1 hr 30 minutes) (External written exam)**

In lessons, you will study one film genre in detail and answer four compulsory questions. These questions will assess knowledge and understanding of film language and key industry and audience issues.

## **Paper 2: Exploring Film outside Hollywood – 20% (1 hour) (External written exam)**

In lessons you will study in detail, one independent film. In your exam you will answer three compulsory questions on one film produced outside Hollywood, chosen from a list prescribed by WJEC. You will focus on various elements of the film such as characters, narratives, places, events and the themes and issues in the film chosen and how they are represented. You will also complete a creative question involving individual responses to the film (e.g. reviews, blogs and website entries).

## **Film Exploration and Creation - 50% (Controlled Assessment)**

### **Area 1 - Exploring a film of your choice (30 marks)**

You will research and create a micro analysis on a film of your choice, focusing on a short extract from the film.

### **Area 2 - Production (70 marks)**

This section of the controlled assessment is much more practical. You will focus on four main tasks which can include; storyboards, scripts, magazine covers, posters, DVD covers and filming.

## **What could it lead to in Sixth Form?**

Level 3 Diploma in Creative Media

A Level Media

A Level Film Studies

A Level English

## **What careers/University courses would this subject help me to enter?**

### **Possible University Courses**

Media, Film Production, English Language, IT & Business, Multimedia

### **Possible Careers**

Media, Film/TV Production, Radio, Education