

PRODUCT DESIGN

EXAM BOARD: AQA



What will I Study?

During the course students develop a wide range of skills. They learn about the properties of a wide variety of different materials, together with how they are processed in industry to make a range of different products.

How will I be assessed?

A Level Product design is a linear course. This means all assessment will take place at the end of year 13.

There will be 2 exam papers and a single NEA (Non-Exam Assessment).

Paper 1: Core technical principles and core designing and making principles. 2.5 Hours, 30% of A Level

Paper 2: Specialist knowledge, technical and designing and making principles. 1.5 Hours, 20% of A Level

NEA: Practical application of technical principles, designing and making principles and specialist knowledge. This will be a practical designing and making task. Approximately 50 hours 50% of A level

Minimum GCSE requirements:

Design & Technology grade 5, ideally 6 or above

Possible progression pathways:

Product Design could lead to a variety of careers or educational pathways.

This could include:

- Product Design
- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Architecture
- Graphic Design
- Project Management

During the course students will develop a host of soft skills which could be useful in almost any career.