



## BTEC Extended Diploma in Photography - CA307

The Level 3 Extended Diploma in Photography provides learners with opportunities to develop a range of skills needed for a career in the lens-based media sector, while also supporting routes into higher education.

### COURSE DETAILS

This level 3 course explores a diverse range of technical and creative disciplines within Photography.

Students will build a grounding foundation in both digital and film formats, developing skills that will enhance them to progress internally to our HND or HNC Photography programs, other HE courses or straight into the industry.

Students will learn how to use professional camera equipment, darkroom, studio and editing software.

Exploring a range of topics within photography such as, portraits, journalism, experimental and advertising. As well as looking into the work of key practitioners, learning how to analyse and critically reflect, both their own work and the work of others.

With opportunities to exhibit work, take part in workshops, meet guest speakers and trips, students will be able to explore and develop photography skills on this exciting and diverse course.

### ENTRY GUIDELINES

- This is a study programme and priority is for 16-18 year olds
- 4 GCSE's at grade 9 - 4/A\* - C (including English and preferably Maths) or a relevant Level 2 qualification at Merit.
- Satisfactory presentation of a recent portfolio of photographs showing a range of techniques.

If you have any examples of your creative work please bring these to the informal discussion. You'll receive an invite to this after you've made your application. (this could be a sketchbook, photography work, iPad/tablet illustrations or animations, etc.)

## EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

To learn effectively on your course you will need to use certain items of equipment and undertake particular activities as part of your studies.

To further enhance your learning experience the following will be required:

Photography Equipment such as SD cards, USB and portfolio etc.: £85

If you need support with these costs, don't worry, click on the link below and complete a bursary application form. <https://www.wmc.ac.uk/student-support/financial-support/bursaries-loans>

Equipment purchased will be yours to keep and you will be able to use them for practice at home and in your future career. N.B. prices correct as of 23/06/2021

## ASSESSMENT METHOD

This course is assessed through a variety of written and practical assignments. There are no external exams.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

At interview you will need to:

- Show evidence of current or predicted GCSE grades/qualifications.
- Show that you are a motivated and committed with good attendance and punctuality.
- Present a school report from your current or most recent place of education.
- Present a positive school reference from your current or most recent place of education.

Students will receive an Art and Design certificate on the successful completion of this diploma.

### **Are you aged 16-18?**

Study Programmes are full-time courses for 16-18 year old which include:

- A qualification such as BTEC Extended Diploma
- Meaningful work experience or preparation for work

- English and maths, if you don't already have GCSE grade A\* - C in English and maths (grade 4 and above).
- Non-study activities such as tutorials, voluntary work, fund-raising/charity work, sport or trips

## WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?

BTEC Higher National Certificate in Photography / BTEC Higher National Diploma in Photography.

## WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

| CAMPUS | ATTENDANCE | COURSE CODE | PLANNED TIME TABLE |
|--------|------------|-------------|--------------------|
|        | Full Time  | CA307-25    |                    |

### If you are aged 16-18:

This study programme will be FREE for most students who are aged 16-18 on 31 August, or students aged 19-24 with an Education, Health & Care Plan.

### If you are aged 19 or over:

Fee : £8583.00

*The fee quoted is for the academic year 25/26.*

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services via our [online enquiry form](#)

This information was current on 28th November, 2025 and may be subject to change.