

National 5 Graphic Communication

Award Received

Through taking this subject you will work towards a National 5 qualification in Graphic Communication. This qualification is graded at A-D.

Entry Level: What do I need to do it?

Ideally you will have studied Graphic Communication during S3, however we may also accept pupils who have successfully completed courses in Design & Manufacture, or Art & Design.

Course Content: What will I learn?

You will develop all aspects of graphic work including:

- graphic design
- 3D CAD modelling
- manual sketching and drawing skills
- illustration and presentation skills
- creation of production drawings
- spatial awareness

Teaching Methods: What will I do?

You will develop your knowledge and graphic skills by working through a range of short projects. Each project will allow you to explore a different aspect of Graphic Communication and come up with your own response.

You will be able to demonstrate your creativity and problem solving.

Assessment: How will I be assessed?

You will sit an Assignment and an Exam. The Assignment is worth 40 marks, and the Exam is worth 80 marks.

The assignment will be completed in class before the Easter holiday. It is set by the SQA and lets you prove your ability to create Preliminary, Production, and Promotional graphics.

The 2 hour exam will assess your ability interpret drawings, and your knowledge of different graphic types, as well as their benefits and uses.

Homework

There will be homework given out at regular intervals. Homework can be to practice graphic techniques, research or to write up evaluations/analyses of graphic items.

Progression in the Senior Phase

There are various progression opportunities including:

- Higher Graphic Communication
- National 4/5 in other CDT subjects.
- Related Courses in Further Education, such as Graphic Design
- Training and employment

Please note that not all subject levels are available each year. For more information, please speak to either Mr Martin or Mr Meldrum