



Abbey Gate College  
Sixth Form



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# Design and Technology Product Design

## AQA

### Why study this at A Level?

Suitable candidates for this course are students who enjoy designing and making or would like to know more about this process and are thinking about a possible career in the creative industry.

*The course will provide you with all the skills and technical knowledge to design and manufacture ideas into the real world.*

### Course Content and Assessment

*The course content consists of non-exam assessment coursework which is built over one academic year culminating in 2 end of year exams.*

*In tandem, the exam theory is covered during the student's investigation (NEA coursework) of a topic or product identified as needing improvement or redevelopment. NEA coursework is then assessed on the student's ability to research, design, make and evaluate their product.*

### Skills obtained

*Students will learn how to use a rich supply of machinery and software within the workshop to realise designs during manufacture of their NEA.*

*The NEA project develops a student's ability to think flexibly to create solutions to real world problems, making choices built upon technical knowledge taught culminating in two exams.*

Our students have gone on to pursue a number of related university courses including BA Graphic Design, BA Product Design, BA Computer Aided Design & Architecture, BA Automotive Design, BA Set Design & Model Making, BA Interior Design, as well as a variety of apprenticeships with direct pathways to employment.