



### Entry Requirements:

9-7 GCSE Music or similar musical knowledge or experience.

AS Standard of performing set at ABRSM Grade 6; A-Level is set to Grade 7.

### A-level Course Summary:

#### Component 1: Performing

Option A 35%

Option B 25%

A performance consisting of a minimum of 3 pieces, solo and ensemble. One piece to reflect the characteristics of Western Classical music and another one from a different area of study.

#### Component 2: Composition

Option A 25%

Option B 35%

To compose two to three compositions depending on which option is chosen.

One to be associated with the Western Classical tradition.

#### Component 3: Listening and Appraising

40% Written examination 2 hrs 15mins

Area of Study A:

Western Classical Music

Area of Study C:

Musical Theatre

Area of Study E:

Into the Twentieth Century

### Other Course Information:

There are no course costs if students complete the course.

# Music

Exam Board: Eduqas

**The purpose of A-Level Music is to help you develop your understanding and skills as a musician. They draw together a wide variety of practical and academic aptitudes in order to extend and enhance your experience and appreciation of music.**

The course embraces the three main disciplines of music: listening, composing and performing, placing these in the context of detailed study of selected musical works.

We work with students to develop performance practice and repertoire, providing a variety of opportunities for performing to an audience so that students can develop their confidence.

The listening element of the course extends the listening skills developed by students at GCSE as well as widening students' knowledge of music history. Students also develop their knowledge of music history by studying a series of Set Works drawn from a variety of genres and musical eras. Music is a well-respected course with universities due to the diverse skills, strong academic element and the organisational skills required.

### Who is the course for?

- Students who are already competent performers and want to develop their understanding of music and musical skills further.
- Students who are considering studying music further (whether at music college or university), and are possibly considering a career in music.
- Students who have an interest in and aptitude for the subject but who are not planning to study music beyond A-level and will use the grade as UCAS entry points for other courses.