Film Studies



Progress to

Students can choose academic or practical pathways after college





Welcome to A-Level Film Studies here at Runshaw College. We are a course dedicated to the study of how meaning is created in film. We study mainstream, Hollywood films, as well as a broad range of British, foreign and experimental films. Our approach is similar to English Literature – we focus on developing a critical understanding of film from a number of different perspectives: genre, narrative, film language and institution.

Film Studies enables students to develop their understanding of film as an art, and also is very useful to enhance studies in other areas such as art and media-based subjects as well as the humanities. There is a focus on transferable academic skills such as essay writing and research, but also opportunities to develop industry specific skills such as filming, recording sound and editing. Many students take Film Studies as an alternative to their other areas of study, and have been highly successful at Film before going on to an unrelated career. For those students curious about a future in Film and Media but unsure about their options we provide advice from course tutors and expert speakers from Higher Education.

We are proud of the success of our former students at Runshaw with many going on to study at prestigious universities such as Warwick and Nottingham, often studying Film but also subjects such as English or American Studies, or have gone on to achieve jobs such as:

- Production Secretary at Nine Lives Media
- Newsroom Production Management Assistant at BBC
- Production Assistant at Get Santa

Two former students, Jack Leigh and Sam Steele progressed from Runshaw and made noteworthy achievements in Film, with Jack having worked for Steve Coogan's company, Baby Cow, and as a Location Assistant for Fast and Furious 6, and Sam being shortlisted for an award at the Stockport Film Festival.

If the analysis of films and the development of critical thinking, research skills and creative skills sounds like an exciting prospect then Film Studies at Runshaw College is very much for you.

Entry Requirements:

A minimum of 5x Grade 5s, including English.

What's great about this course?



Excellent job prospects in the media and other industries



Enrichment opportunities such as Film Magazine & Video Production Club



Access to professional cameras, sound equipment and software



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