



KS5

In English we offer four A levels at both AS and A2: English Literature, Film, English Language and Media Studies.

All courses comprise four units, two of which are coursework assignments, one in each year, worth 40% of total marks.

English Literature (AQA B)

Unit 1 Aspects of Narrative – two novels, two poets

Unit 2 Coursework – a study of two tragedies.

Unit 3 Texts and Genres – three texts, one before 1800 from Gothic or Pastoral genres.

Unit 4 Independent Reading – comparative study, some free choice and some pre-set.

Film (Welsh Board)

FM1: Exploring Film Form

Coursework: One extended essay on a sequence from one of your favourite contemporary films.

One creative piece (making your own film or scripts and storyboards).

FM2: British and American Film

Exam: An exploration of contemporary and classic cinema from Hollywood and from Britain.

FM3: Film Research and Creative Projects

Coursework: Make your own film short and research any area of cinema you are interested in.

FM4: Varieties of Film Experience – Issues and Debates

Exam: Controversies, academic theories and ideas.

English Language

Unit 1 Categorising Texts – the nuts and bolts of language, language and social contexts.

Unit 2 Coursework – writing for different audiences and purposes.

Unit 3 Developing Language – Child Language Acquisition and historical change.

Unit 4 Coursework – Investigation into chosen topic.

Media Studies (Welsh Board)

MS1 Media Representations and Responses (Exam)

Analysis of Media texts and issues surrounding their production and consumption.

MS2 Media Production Processes (Coursework)

Production of media artefacts (DVD covers, posters, storyboards, scripts) associated with the horror genre.

MS3 Media Investigation and Production (Coursework)

Research into a chosen area of the media and an accompanying production.

MS4 Media – Text, Industry and Audience (Exam)

Analytical essays on different media industries (Film, T.V., advertising, music).