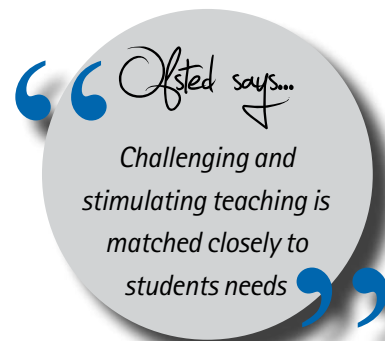


Course Description Sheets - Level 2



ENGLISH GCSE (for Level 3 students)

Examination Board: AQA

Duration: One year

Minimum entry requirements: If your main programme of study is a level 3, but you haven't got a grade C for GCSE English Language

Possible combinations:

- With any level 3 programme

Enrichment opportunities:

- 'Poetry Live' event
- Theatre visit to see a Shakespeare play

Skills developed:

- accurate written English
- spoken communication skills - group discussions and presentations
- writing for different audiences and purposes
- study of set texts

Assessment summary: Assessed by a mixture of external examinations and coursework

Speaking and Listening coursework	20%
Reading and Writing coursework	20%
Examinations	60%

Course Outline

This course is suitable for level 3 students who wish to gain a Grade C or above, which is a requirement for University entry. Adult students can choose to pursue this course on a fast-track basis in dedicated groups.

Course Structure

Coursework:

Speaking and Listening - There are three assessed speaking and listening opportunities including a presentation and a group discussion.

Reading and Writing - Four pieces of work comprise this portfolio:

- **Response to a prose text**
- **Response to a Shakespeare text** (usually assessed orally)
- **Fiction writing**
- **Non-fiction writing**

Examinations:

Paper 1 - Three questions:

- **Analysing a media text**
- **A reading comprehension**
- **Writing to argue, persuade and advise**

Paper 2 - Two questions:

- **Analysing and comparing two poems**
- **Writing to analyse, review and comment**