

Music

Among the many benefits, this new specification is designed to encourage candidates to draw on their experiences at GCSE as well recognising the interdependence of musical skills in the areas of performing, composing and appraising.

Year 12	Year 13
AS Level Units	A2 units leading to full Advanced GCE
At AS, the specification will enable candidates to develop an understanding of musical sounds. Candidates offer two performances which may be solo or ensemble and candidates may also perform their own compositions.	At A2, the specification will enable candidates to develop their musical ideas to the full. Candidates will offer two or more contrasting pieces to form a short programme or recital.
Unit 1 is History based, through two set study periods.	Unit 4 will cover the deeper exploration of music history with specific reference to two additional areas of study.
Unit 2 offers several composition options	Unit 5 will explore various aspects of the art of composing and arranging.
Unit 3 is the Practical section.	Unit 6 will enable candidates to demonstrate their individual musical skills and talents.

One of the main Hallmarks of the new GCE is it's flexibility and this should encourage many students of varied musical backgrounds to choose this course.

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