

## 14-16 Purpose Statement

### **NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Creative Studies: Craft (601/0489/2)**

#### **Who is this qualification for?**

The NCFE Level 1 and Level 2<sup>1</sup> Certificates in Creative Studies: Craft are complementary Technical Awards and the vocational equivalent of GCSE qualifications. Both are aimed at 14-16 year olds studying their Key Stage 4 curriculum and interested in any of the key skills associated with different craft disciplines such as design ideas, materials, tools and responding to a brief.

Each qualification focuses on an applied study of the craft sector and learners will gain a broad knowledge and understanding of working in the sector. The qualifications have been designed to sit alongside the requirements of core GCSE subjects. They are appropriate for learners who are motivated and challenged by learning through hands-on experiences and through content which is concrete and related directly to those experiences.

This Level 1 qualification is appropriate for learners looking for an introduction to the skills, knowledge and qualities needed in the craft sector.

The Level 2 is appropriate for learners who are looking to develop a significant core of knowledge and understanding and apply that knowledge through a project.

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#### **What will the learner study as part of this qualification?**

This qualification shows learners how to:

- develop a broad understanding of craft skills
- use a variety of tools and materials
- use their knowledge of the chosen craft to produce an item in response to a brief or scenario
- use different craft techniques
- raise awareness of working safely and securely when creating their craft item.

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<sup>1</sup> Level 1 is equivalent to GCSE grades D-G; Level 2 is equivalent to GCSE grades A\*-C.

## **What knowledge and skills will the learner develop as part of this qualification and how might these be of use and value in further studies?**

Learners will know about:

- different tools, equipment and materials
- how to respond to a brief.

They will develop skills:

- in using tools and equipment safely and competently
- when experimenting with materials and techniques
- in creating suitable ideas
- in communication
- that are essential for the modern workplace, such as appreciation of appropriate behaviour and dress; personal manners and deportment; communicating with professional colleagues; independent working; a positive attitude to work.

Successful completion of this qualification will enable learners to progress to Level 2 qualifications in related subjects.

The knowledge and skills gained will provide an introduction to those required for careers in the craft industry.

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## **Which subjects will complement this course?**

The following subject areas will complement this course:

- Enterprise Skills
- Design and Technology
- Photography, Floristry, Pottery and other craft areas.

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## **Further Information**

For more information about NCFE Level 1 Certificate in Creative Studies: Craft, please see the Support Materials tab on the qualification page of our website.

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