



# Music Technology

## Course objectives

Music Technology involves recording, composition and arrangement through the use of music technology. New technology is causing big changes in society and education. Music is affected by these changes and popular music increasingly makes use of sophisticated technology.

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## Main qualifications

- A Level

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## Awarding Body

- Edexcel

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## Duration/ Lessons per week

- 10 x 1 hour lessons over a two week timetable

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## Entry requirements

- Students wishing to take A Level Music Technology do not need to have taken Music GCSE though it would be an advantage. However, all students must have some theoretical knowledge of music. They will also be invited to interview, where they will be able to demonstrate their enthusiasm for the subject.

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## Progression opportunities

- Music Technology may be studied in preparation for Higher Education or for enjoyment as part of a balanced programme of study. Music Technology prepares students for careers in sound engineering, recording, radio and television, composing and arranging, retailing, production and theatre/concert work. In the modern world musicians and technicians need ever-increasing interchangeable skills. A Level Music Technology is an ideal qualification to meet the needs of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.



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## Course content

- The course allows students to explore and make music through technology. It is very much a hands-on course with a lot of practical work and a 40% coursework element. Students will learn and develop skills which will give them a thorough grounding in the use of technology, including sequencing, recording, arranging, editing, improvising, listening and analysis, producing and composition.

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## Assessment

There are 4 components:  
Recording 20%  
Technology based composition 20%  
Listening and Analysing 25% (1 hr 30 exam)  
Producing and Analysing 35% (2 hrs 15 exam)

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## Costs

- Students are advised to provide their own good quality headphones

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