Drama and Theatre Studies	
Teacher in charge of subject	Mrs Holland
Type of qualification	A level
Exam board and subject code	AQA 7262
Entry requirements	
Specific subject requirement	Grade 5 in GCSE Drama and either English Literature or
	Language
Course details	

<u>Component 1: Drama and theatre - You will study of two set plays and analyse and evaluate the work of live theatre makers.</u>

Component 2: Creating original drama (practical)

- Process of creating devised drama.
- Performance of devised drama (students may contribute as performer, designer or director). Devised piece must be influenced by the work and methodologies of one prescribed practitioner.

<u>Component 3: Making theatre (practical</u>) - Practical exploration and interpretation of three extracts each taken from a different play. Methodology of a prescribed practitioner must be applied to one which is to be performed as a final assessed piece (students may contribute as performer, designer or director). Reflective report analysing and evaluating theatrical interpretation of all three extracts.

Assessment

Component 1

What is assessed? Knowledge and understanding of drama and theatre of the study of two set plays and live performance theatre review.

How is it assessed? Written exam: 3 hours. Open book.

Section A: one question (from a choice) of a set play (25 marks).

Section B: one, three part question on a given extract from one of the set plays (30 marks).

Section C: one question (from a choice) on the work of theatre makers in a single live theatre production (25 marks)

80 marks in total 40% of A-level

Component 2

What is assessed? Process of creating original performance and the application of a practitioner in a devised performance.

How is it assessed? Working notebook (40 marks) Devised performance (20 marks) 60 marks in total 30% of A-level which is marked by teacher and moderated by AQA

Component 3

What is assessed? Performance of Extract 3 (40 marks) • Reflective report (20 marks) • 60 marks in total • 30% of A-level

How is it assessed? This component is marked by an external examiner from AQA.

Career options

Many of our students have gone on to study Theatre at university or at Performing Arts College. However, the course is not vocational. It helps students to develop excellent presentational and communication skills valuable in a range of professions, such as Law and Marketing. Students develop a high level of competence in analysis of text and performance, which has led to degree courses in English, History and American Studies for some of our candidates.