

# Admissions Policy

Fine Arts College is not academically selective. We take students with a wide range of ability and we pride ourselves on our record of helping students to succeed regardless of their previous experiences of education. We aim to nurture ability and talent in their many forms and to help students to succeed in their chosen areas. At interview, the Principal will particularly look for enthusiasm in the student and a strong desire to join the College.

Admission at A level is based on an interview with the Principal, satisfactory GCSE results and a satisfactory reference from a previous school.

Admission in Years 9, 10 and 11 is based on a successful interview with the Principal, or the Head of Lower School, and an academic reference from a previous school.

Admission to the Portfolio Course is based on an interview with the Principal and a portfolio assessment.

## **Application process**

### **Visiting the College**

Three open days are held each year, one in each of the autumn, spring and summer terms. Dates are announced in advance on our website. Please contact the College to book a place if you would like to attend. For the autumn and spring term open days, parents and students may book for one of two sessions held in the afternoon, usually at 2pm and 5pm. The summer term open day is held at 11am. The open days consist of a talk from the Principal, followed by a tour of the College and the opportunity to speak to subject tutors.

Parents and their son or daughter may also make an appointment to visit the College informally and to be shown around the classrooms and studios that interest them.

### **Interviews**

Formal interviews are held with the Principal from the beginning of October for entry to all year groups in the following academic year. Interviews continue all year but as we are over-subscribed an early application is advised to secure a place and to ensure the widest choice of subject options.

After interview, references will be taken up and an offer of a place may be made.

*Please see our Contract and Terms and Conditions for more information*

To arrange a visit or an interview please contact the Admissions Officer on 020 7586 0312, or email [mail@hampsteadfinearts.com](mailto:mail@hampsteadfinearts.com)