

## Hampstead Fine Arts Admissions Policy

Hampstead 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 Head and 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 Head or 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 Head or Principal and an academic reference from a previous school.

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

## **Application Process Visiting the College**

Four Open Days are held each year, one in each of the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms. Open Days are additionally hosted online. Dates are announced in advance, on our website. Please contact the College to book a place if you would like to attend an Open Day. 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 usually held at 11am. The Open Days consist of a talk from the Head or Principal, followed by a tour of the College and the opportunity to speak to subject tutors.

Parents/guardians 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 Head or 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.

## **International Sponsor Student Applications**

Overseas applicants are offered an interview in College or a Skype/Zoom on-line interview. We recommend that applicants are accompanied by a family member or an education consultant. We expect overseas applicants to have achieved IELTS level 6.0 in English in order to cope with the demands of A level study. Overseas students must have a UK-based guardian.

The decision to offer a place rest with the Head or Principal.

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

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