



HAMPSTEAD
FINE
ARTS
COLLEGE



2026-2027

Hampstead Fine Arts College

Admissions Policy

Hampstead Fine Arts College is not academically selective. We welcome students with a wide range of abilities and pride ourselves on our record of helping students to succeed, regardless of their previous educational experiences.

We aim to nurture ability and talent in all its forms and to support each student in achieving their potential and succeeding in their chosen areas of study and progression.

At interview, the Principal or Founder will look particularly for enthusiasm, commitment and a strong desire to join the College. We seek students who will engage positively with College life and benefit from our distinctive academic and creative environment.

Admission Criteria

Admission to **A Level** is based on:

- An interview with the Principal or Founder.
- Satisfactory GCSE results.
- A satisfactory reference from the student's previous school.

Admission to **Years 9, 10 and 11** is based on:

- A successful interview with the Principal or Founder.
- A satisfactory academic reference from the student's previous school.

Admission to the **Foundation Course** is based on:

- An interview with the Principal or Founder.
- Assessment of the applicant's portfolio.

Application Process

Four Open Days are held each year: two in the Autumn Term, one in the Spring Term and one in the Summer Term. Dates are announced in advance on the College website.

Parents/guardians and prospective students are invited to attend an Open Day and should contact the College to book a place.

For the Autumn and Spring Term Open Days, parents/guardians and students may book one of two afternoon sessions, usually at 2pm or 5pm. The Summer Term Open Day is usually held at 11am.

Open Days include a talk from the Principal or Founder, followed by a tour of the College and an opportunity to speak with subject tutors.

Parents/guardians and their son or daughter may also make an appointment to visit the College informally. These visits provide an opportunity to see the classrooms, studios and other facilities that are of particular interest to the prospective student.

Interviews

Formal interviews are held with the Principal or Founder from the beginning of October for entry to all year groups in the following academic year.

Interviews continue throughout the year. However, as the College is oversubscribed, early application is advised both to secure a place and to ensure the widest possible choice of subject options.

Following an interview, references will be requested from the applicant's previous school and, where appropriate, an offer of a place may be made.

International Sponsor Student Applications

Overseas applicants may be offered an interview at the College or an online interview via Zoom. We recommend that overseas applicants are accompanied by a family member or an education consultant during the application and interview process.

We expect overseas applicants to have achieved an IELTS level of 6.0 in English in order to cope with the demands of A Level study.

All overseas students must have a UK-based guardian.

The decision to offer a place rests with the Principal or Founder.

Please see the College's Contract and Terms and Conditions for further information.

Contacting Admissions

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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