



## Thank you for your application to study A Levels at our amazing High Pavement Sixth Form Centre, part of Nottingham College.

We're excited to be welcoming you to Nottingham College this September. Soon you'll be receiving your invitation to one of our enrolment events so that you can secure your place with us. This invitation should be with you early in August.

To help you prepare for A Levels at Nottingham College we have produced some materials and other resources for you. These are for your benefit so please do your best to look through the information relevant to the courses you have applied for. We hope you find them useful in preparing for A Level study. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

## TASKS, RESOURCES AND RESEARCH

We have a few fun and engaging tasks for you to complete before your first day with us.

These tasks will help you to develop some understanding of what the study of film is all about, plus some of the practical things we may be looking at early on.

**Your task sheet can be  
downloaded [here](#)**



# LEVEL **UP** for Film Studies

**Film has become more than just an art. It provides cultural commentary, provokes thought and controversy and asks questions of us that in many cases, cannot be asked in any other way.**

The study of film at A Level combines practical and theoretical work that will expand your knowledge of the film industry, world cinema, film-making and the various components of a film, including scripting, cinematography, set, production, direction, lighting and sound.

You will learn how these techniques are integral to the storytelling and how each component can create meaning. Film is a contemporary art form and the study of it can be hugely exciting and stimulating. A Film A Level opens up many options for you at university and in your career choices.



## A career in English

Those who study film don't necessarily want to go on to become film-makers, even though that clearly is an option available to you. If you are looking to pursue a career in the film industry, university study that enables you to develop practical film-making skills will be an important consideration.

For more practical options you could move onto:

- visual effects or animation
- creative or digital media production
- film-making
- screenwriting
- film production
- performance
- film promotion and marketing

However film studies could open up a range of options outside of making films such as journalism, history of art, visual arts, sociology, theatre arts or an English degree.



## More about studying at High Pavement

### Taking care of you

Our Student Wellbeing team run activities, sessions and programmes to support your wellbeing. They also organise trips, host events and encourage you to get involved in a whole range of activities and movements in College and nationally. So, if you're passionate about the environment, why not join the Green Society, and if you want to champion LGBTQ rights, join our LGBTQ society. If you want to suggest setting something up, we're up for that too!

### Who do you talk to?

**Your Personal Tutor:** if you need help with your course let them know right away.

**Achievement Coach:** if you are worried about things outside your course and you need to speak to someone, they'll be able to help you. If they can't resolve the issue, they will put you in touch with someone who can.

**Careers Adviser:** they can help you get advice and information about your next steps, plus work and training options. They can also access a range of support to develop the skills you need to progress to university, and ultimately into employment.

**Specialist UCAS Advisers:** they are at High Pavement to help with choosing your options, completing your UCAS application, and preparing for interviews. This can be particularly useful in preparing for Oxbridge, or those more difficult to access application processes, such as for medicine and veterinary science.

**Student Services:** if you need to talk to someone confidentially to discuss money or get some health advice, they are here for you.

### Sports and activities

Love sport? You could take part in sports clubs and inter-college competitions. If you want to relax, we host stress-busting sessions to help you with your studies. We also have a wide range of sports on offer for beginners, plus activities such as British Sign Language and driving theory skills. Our specialist sports academies offer dedicated training in different sports, with the opportunity to gain coaching qualifications alongside your studies. You could even be in with the chance to apply for USA university sports scholarships. Find out more on our website.