



## **LORD GREY ACADEMY SIXTH FORM POLICY FOR AS ENTRY**

Lord Grey Sixth Form is an inclusive Sixth Form and we are proud of providing a range of qualifications both at Level 3 and Level 2 and supporting the students to make the right choices and then be successful on their chosen course.

Although the academy and Sixth Form serve a very mixed local area there is a significantly lower than average history of progression to higher education.

With this in mind the school decided that, for the majority of A-Levels, we will expect the students to take the AS exams at the end of Year 12.

The exceptions to this currently are Art, Art Textiles, Business, English Literature and Film Studies. Success in these courses depends on high levels of skill development and the building of experience of literature and the arts. Such aptitudes are not at a high level for many of our students as they embark on the courses and, although we aim to build these skills quickly, this would prove difficult before the AS exams.

We have been able to take students without five GCSEs at C/5 or above, provide a suitable one year Level 2 course alongside re-sitting English and Maths and then, for a number, we are able to move them into Level 3 courses. This gives them another two years to complete these courses successfully, to enable them to fulfil their ambition of going to university.

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