

Offers to Mascalls Academy Sixth Form are conditional upon meeting entry requirements for the subjects chosen as shown below and achieving at least 5 GCSE A*-C grades, including English and maths at Level 4 or above, or as determined by the entry pathway.

Subject	GCSE Entry Grade ¹	Study of subject at GCSE ²	Total Points ⁵
Art and Design Diploma	A* - C Grade in any art and design specialism	Essential	35
Art and Design Courses ³	A* - C Grade in one of the Art subjects	Essential	40
Biology	Minimum Grades BB in sciences, including Biology if taken at GCSE AND Level 5+ in both English language and maths	Essential	45
Business (Vocational)	Study of Business at GCSE preferred	Recommended	35
Business Studies	A* - C in Business , and a good level of competence in maths ⁴	Recommended	40
Chemistry	Minimum Grades BB in Sciences, including Chemistry if taken at GCSE AND Level 5+ in Maths	Essential	45
Computer Science	A* - C in Computer Science Level 5+ in English and maths	Essential Recommended	40
Dance	A* - C Grade in Dance Dance Training and Aptitude	Recommended Essential	35
Dance (Performing Arts)	A* - C Grade in Dance Dance Training and Aptitude	Recommended Essential	35
Drama and Theatre	Study of GCSE or BTEC Drama A* - B in English Language	Recommended Recommended	35
Drama (Performing Arts)	Study of GCSE or BTEC Drama Love of performing	Recommended Essential	35
English Language	Level 6 in English Language AND Literature	Essential	40
English Literature	Level 6 in English Literature AND Language	Essential	40
Film Studies	A* - C in Film or Media and Level 4 in English Literature	Recommended Recommended	35
Geography	A* - C in Geography (higher tier paper) and Level 5 in Eng and Maths	Essential Recommended	40
Health and Social Care Studies	Study of Health and Social Care at GCSE beneficial	Recommended	35
History	A* - C in History and Level 5 in English	Essential Recommended	40
ICT	A* - C in ICT	Recommended	40
ICT (Vocational)	Minimum ICT National Merit	Recommended	40
Maths	Level 6+ in Maths	Essential	50
Media Studies	A* - C in Media if taken at GCSE	Recommended	35
Music	Study of music GCSE or BTEC and/or Grade 5 Instrument	Recommended	40
Physics	Minimum Grades BB in Sciences, including Physics if taken at GCSE AND Level 6 in Maths. It is an expectation that maths is also studied at A Level, alongside Physics	Essential	45
Product Design (Graphical Products) (Resistant Materials)	A* - B in a design based subject A* - C in Graphical Products or Art Graphics A* - C in Resistant Materials	Essential Recommended Recommended	40
Psychology	Level 6 in English AND maths at GCSE	Essential	45
Sociology	Level 6 in English AND A* - C in a humanities subject at GCSE preferred	Essential	40
Spanish	A* - B in Spanish, although an A* - A is preferable	Essential	45
Sport Science (Physical Education)	A* - B in PE/Sport and/or minimum Grades BB in Sciences	Essential	40
Sport (Vocational)	A* - C in PE/Sport or a minimum of a Merit in BTEC Sport Science	Essential	35

¹ If the subject has been taken at GCSE, entry recommendations will be considered essential

² Where entry recommendations are stated and not achieved, access to the course will be determined on an individual basis

³ If a C grade has been achieved in a single art subject at GCSE, only one of the 4 Art options can be pursued at A Level

⁴ To be determined on an individual basis, along with teacher recommendations

⁵ Total points criteria is calculated from the best 8 GCSE grades achieved (one vocational equivalent per subject can be included within the best 8) as follows:

Grade	A*/Dist*	A/Dist	B/Merit	C/Pass	D	E	F	G
New Grade/Level	9	8	7/6	5/4	3	2	1	0
Points	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1