

Focus on: Creative Media and Arts

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-categories/creative-and-media>

Career description

The Creative Arts and Media sector offers many different types of careers. The main careers include working in the Media industry and the computer games industry. Local colleges and training providers that offer Creative Arts courses will be attending the Southam College careers fair at Warwick House on Thursday 14th March (1.30-6pm).

Alumni: Doug

I graduated from Southam in 2002 and went on to study media at Stratford college then film studies at Farnham university. Along the way I made friends with people I still work with to this day including a 'focus puller' at the top of his game working in TV commercials who I met in year 7 at School.

I now work as a camera operator in TV and film, day to day I operate telescopic cranes remotely, wear a steadicam which is attached to my body, sit on a track and dolly and get pushed around or even just hand-holding the camera - whatever is required to get the shot while conversing with the cast, crew and Director.

The job has taken me to Fiji, Jordan, across Europe and America and recently brought me back to my routes in the midlands - that's showbiz!

I was accepted into the Association of Camera operators in 2019 and have recently completed season 3 of Bridgerton and a show shot in Coventry and Birmingham from the same team who brought you Peaky Blinders - 'This Town' will be out this year on BBC 1.



Pathways & Entry requirements

College:

Level 2 course – 4 GCSE grades 3 including Maths & English
Level 3 course – 5 GCSE grades 4-9 including Maths & English

Apprenticeship:

Level 3 – 5 GCSE grades 4-9 including Maths & English

Degree Course:

University entry requirements vary. Its best advised to research the individual degree courses and look at the entry requirements using – www.ucas.com

Careers within this sector

- Animator
- Camera operator
- Computer Games Designer
- Media researcher
- Videographer
- Journalist
- Photographer
- Music Producer
- Film & TV Producer
- Screenwriter

Useful links:

[Creative and media | Explore careers \(nationalcareers.service.gov.uk\)](#)

[Careers, jobs and skills training in film, TV, VFX, animation and games - ScreenSkills](#)

Highlights this half-term ...

Yr10 Mock Interviews – 5th & 6th March

Southam College Careers Fair – 14th March (1.30-6pm) at Warwick House in Southam.