

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY A LEVEL 2020/21

YEAR TERM 1 (Autumn)	TERM 2 (Spring)	TERM 3 (Summer)
COMPONENT 1 Introduction to recording and mixing Recording acoustic/bass guitar and intermed mixing skills COMPONENT 2 Introduction to technology-based composite Midi and synthesis essentials COMPONENT 3 Introduction to the component 3 exam Analogue technology and vocal production COMPONENT 4 Handling and mixing audio Theoretical and practical tasks focusing on dynamics and distortion	 Practice brief sessions, mixing practice and mastering COMPONENT 2 Exploring the mark scheme criteria Practice brief sessions COMPONENT 3 Detailed exploration of the question paper and focus on analogue synthesisers/electric instruments Comparing analogue and digital effects 	COMPONENT 1 Practice brief project and logbooks Drum recording and preparing a-level brief COMPONENT 2 Practice brief project and logbooks Preparatory work towards a-level set brief COMPONENT 3 Final revision ahead Exploring differences between the AS and A level papers A level students sit mock component 3 exa COMPONENT 4 Final revision ahead Exploring differences between the AS and A level papers A level students sit mock component 4 exa



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- Exploring the mark scheme, multiple mic techniques and preparing/starting the NEA set brief
- Mixing using advanced dynamics parameters and starting NEA brief

COMPONENT 2

- Advanced midi and sampling and preparing/starting the NEA set brief
- Advanced synthesis techniques and starting NEA brief

COMPONENT 3:

- The impact of digital and sampling technology
- The impact of analogue technology

COMPONENT 4:

- Advanced midi in practice
- Studio interconnection, microphones and acoustics

COMPONENT 1

- Advanced audio editing, pitch/rhythm correction and continuing NEA brief
- Supervised NEA sessions with skills-based starter activities

COMPONENT 2

- Automating parameters and continuing NEA brief
- Supervised NAA sessions with skills-based starter activities

COMPONENT 3:

- Identifying effects and their parameters
- Mixing, mastering and comparing production techniques

COMPONENT 4:

- Audio editing and manipulating advanced parameters with automation
- Focus on essay questions and evaluating production scenarios

COMPONENT 1

Moving towards completion with NEA brief and associated documentation

COMPONENT 2

Moving towards completion with NEA brief and associated documentation

COMPONENT 3

- Focus on exam technique and final revision
- A level students sit component 3 exams

COMPONENT 4:

- Focus on exam technique and final revision
- A level students sit component 4 exams