

Universal Values Statement

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Safeguarding Statement

BN1 Arts is a post-16 specialist provider, specialising in Music and the Creative and Performing Arts. All staff, volunteers and partners are committed to safeguarding the welfare of every person within BN1 Arts. Our mission is to help young people to engage and achieve within a safe and inclusive environment.

BN1 Arts, is committed to serving the communities in which those colleges are located. We recognise the multicultural, multi-faith nature of those communities and understand the role our colleges can play in promoting universal values.

We also understand the role we have in ensuring that groups and individuals within our colleges are safe from intimidation or radicalisation by those wishing to unduly influence them.

This statement outlines the universal values that we seek to actively promote through our commitment to ensure equal opportunities for all applicants and students and our objective to recruit a student body that is reflective of the wider communities in which our colleges are located. We believe that such a diverse student body provides for a more creative and dynamic community, and this is in line with BN1 Arts' ethos and mission.

We seek to promote these universal values and secure positive outcomes for students with regards to their personal, social and emotional wellbeing.

Universal Values

The values that we seek to actively promote, all of which underpin the <u>Universal Declaration of Human Rights</u>, are listed below, along with some examples of how we seek to promote them.

Democracy

- Facilitate the election of Student Representatives who, in turn, are encouraged to engage with various forums and committees, through which they can have a say in shaping and enhancing our curriculum, services, policies and procedures.
- Encourage a culture of openness and honesty, and ensure students are aware of their right to have a say in all matters affecting their student life.

Individual Liberty

- Create opportunities for students to take on responsibility within their college through becoming
 Student Representatives, engaging with Student Associations or establishing student societies.
- Encourage students to make their own choices, know their rights and take responsibility for their own behaviour.

Mutual Respect

- Encourage students to participate in debates and discussions within lessons and develop their arguments, ensuring that those with differing opinions are given equal opportunity of expression.
- Design classroom and assessment tasks that promote group work, sharing and collaboration.

The Rule of Law

- Ensure that students are aware of our expectations of them as students of the College
- Ensure that students understand the potential consequences of unacceptable behaviour, as outlined in BN1 Arts' polices and procedures

Tolerance

- Create a culture of inclusivity, where everyone feels accepted and students are encouraged to engage with the wider community.
- Encourage better awareness among the student body through the promotion of BN1 Arts' policies and procedures