THE GLASGOW SCHOOL: PARL

Course Specification

Course Code:	Session:
UPAP/UFAP/USEA201T1	2015/16

1. Course Title:	
Studio 2 (Study Abroad Term 1)	

2. Version	Date of production / revision	Approval Meeting
1.0	Session 2013/14	23 October 2013

3. Level:	
Stage 2, SCQF Level 8	

4. Credits:	
40 credits	

5. Lead School/Board of Studies:
School of Fine Art

6. Course Contact:	
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7. Course Aims:

Year 2: Aims of Fine Art Subject Specialist Courses

In Year 2, this course places emphasis on developing specific subject area skills and studio practice. The specific aims of this course are to:

- Develop students' practical, conceptual and analytical skills through the materials, methods, technologies and processes of the specific subject area.
- Stimulate students' initiative, confidence, and critical awareness of their own practice through peer/staff group discussion and activity within the subject area.
- Provide opportunities for students to develop adaptable approaches to engaging with new cultural, educational and professional environments.

8. Intended Learning Outcomes of Course:

Year 2: Fine Art Learning Outcomes

During this Course, students can expect to achieve the following learning outcomes. Students' achievement is evaluated against these learning outcomes through the assessment criteria and categories, which are consistent throughout the four year-stages of the BA (Hons.) Fine Art Programme. The level learning outcomes for Fine Art Studio are listed below.

Knowledge and Understanding

At the end of the course, students should be able to demonstrate:

LO1: Subject specific knowledge of practical, conceptual and analytical processes and terminology relevant to the development and critique of ideas and artworks.

Studio Practice: Applied Knowledge and Understanding

At the end of the course, students should be able to:

- LO2: Extend conceptual and practical knowledge and ideas through the creative realisation of individual projects or set activities.
- LO3: Apply their own understanding and interpretation of Fine Art Studio Practice and independent study.

Professional Practice: Communication, Presentation, Working with others

At the end of the course, students should be able to:

LO4: Demonstrate an adaptable approach to engaging with new cultural, educational and professional environments.

9. Indicative Content:

Year 2 (Second Year): is delivered by a team of dedicated subject specialist tutors within each of the subject areas on the BA Fine Art Programme: Painting and Printmaking, Photography and Sculpture and Environmental Art.

The second Year is tutor-led and initially project-based. Inductions and projects are designed to support students in gaining skills and an understanding of the basic critical languages and working practices of their chosen subject area.

The first part of the course is dedicated to project driven teaching, introducing specific subject related information, techniques and embedding an understanding of the subject area and the differing practices within it.

Over the course, individual students will develop practical and conceptual skill acquisition, supported by the subject-specific staff.

The specific details of the subject areas and the indicative content by department is listed below:

• Sculpture and Environmental Art:

The Year 2 course is delivered through lecture, seminars, workshops, set projects and a field trip. Learning and the development of knowledge and understanding is achieved through making work and is supported and reflected on through tutorials, critical feedback sessions and assessment.

Term one is concerned with personal and studio practice. The aims, within the project and workshops are to develop new and existing skills. The term aims to support and enhance each student's critical understanding of the art work, processes for making work and to explore these in the context of his or her own learning, the year group and course tutors.

• Fine Art Photography:

The second year course provides the delivery of important technical and critical skills. The students are introduced to a wide range of analogue and digital skills and the course is based around a subject-based project brief that is supported by a series of lectures, seminars, tutorials and group critiques. The students begin the course with an interrogation of analogue colour as material and subject matter. The term concludes with the introduction of the concept of Series and Sequence, as a bigger body of work is consolidated both in terms of realisation and installation.

• Painting and Printmaking:

Students will develop subject specific skills and knowledge through: reference based study in the life room, in depth materials and methods workshops and practical instruction and support in the techniques of printmaking. Teaching is mainly carried out through tutorials and critical feedback sessions. Lectures introducing the project briefs are supplemented by visiting artist talks and more general lectures on contemporary art.

10. Description of Summative Assessment:

There is a Summative Assessment point at the end of the course. The purpose of this assessment is to give students guidance and critical feedback on their progress and level of attainment in relation to the learning outcomes. The Internal Exam Board collate results from both studio practice and the Forum for Critical Enquiry to determine a final result on the individual student's progression.

10.1 Please describe the Summative Assessment arrangements:

Summative assessment occurs at the end of each course and provides a grade of attainment for this level. Students are expected to present all outcomes of their study in their studio space, which is assessed by a group of course staff. The grade awarded includes a diagnostic breakdown of learning achievements, strengths and weaknesses, along with written commentary. This is presented to the student in individual feedback sessions with staff.4T

11. Formative Assessment:

Formative feedback occurs throughout the course via a number of mechanisms, namely Individual Tutorials with staff and Critical Feedback sessions.

11.1 Please describe the Formative Assessment arrangements:

1. Individual Tutorials

Individual tutorials take place between one (or more) member(s) of academic staff and an individual student or groups of students, usually in the students dedicated studio space. Tutorials are directed towards the students' own work and its development. Tutorials are timetabled, and take place in the studio at a students' or tutor's request throughout the course.

2. Critical Feedback Sessions

Critical feedback sessions are key to the learning experience in the School of Fine Art. Critical feedback sessions help students to develop work and ideas in relation to an audience, critical awareness of their own practice, and language and communication skills. At a critical feedback session (or 'crit') a small group of students and staff engage in the critical evaluation of finished work and work in progress. These sessions provide students with concentrated peer and staff feedback at strategic intervals in a projects, or programme of study's development and realisation. Critical feedback sessions are normally facilitated by staff and directed by students' individual need and engagement.

12. Collaborative:			
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12.1 Teaching Institutions	3:		
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13. Requirements of Entry	y:		
Equivalent level indicator			
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14. Co-requisites:			
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15. Associated Programm	es:		
None			
16. When Taught:			
Term 1.			
17. Timetable:			
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18. Available to Visiting S			
Yes	$\underline{\times}$	N	lo 🔛
19. Distance Learning:			
Yes	1	N	lo 🔀

20. Placement:	
Yes 🗌	No 🔀

21. Learning and Teaching Methods:			
Method	Formal Contact Hours	Notional Learning Hours (Including formal contact hours)	
Lecture	10	20	
Studio			
Seminar/Presentation Inc. Studio Critique	10	20	
Tutorial	3	5	
Workshop Induction/Instruction	82	82	
Laboratory work			
Project work Inc. Supported Practice	37	257	
Professional Practice	6	12	
E-Learning / Distance Learning			
Placement			
Examination	2	4	
Essay			
Private Study	Not Applicable		
Other (please specify below)			
TOTAL	150	400	

22. Description of Teaching and Learning Methods:

The BA (Hons) Fine art programme at The Glasgow School Of Art aims to build a creative study culture and environment for a rewarding learning experience. A range of learning opportunities are offered throughout the programme, appropriate to the aims of each year-stage. The aims reflect and prepare for, the professional context of Fine Art. A guiding principle of the School of Fine Art is that learning and teaching is actively informed by the teaching staff's professional practice and research. All Fine Art studio tutors are practising artists.

Studio Practice

The studio is central to the learning environment of all Fine Art areas. Each student is assigned an individual space for production, fabrication, display, peer group learning, assessment and critical analysis.

Peer Group Learning

The studio environment ensures students have a base to foster the peer group learning and social interaction crucial to the development of a critical community. Exchange and reciprocal learning are central to the development of a fine art practice and facilitate exposure to the ambitions and achievements of other students.

Workshops & Technical Support

A wide range of technical support is available by arrangement, to all students in fine art and may include electronic media, printmaking workshops, photography, woodwork, casting and metal workshops.

Tutorials

One to one tutorials are carried out throughout the course with a move to more critical discourse and group learning in terms 2 and 3. Initially the tutorial system helps to familiarise students with teaching staff as well as determining initial lines of enquiry for each students practice.

Critical Discourse

Critical discourse in the School Of Fine Art is valued as a key learning and teaching tool. Critical discourse is crucial to the transfer of knowledge, contextualising individual practice, as well as fostering a culture of reciprocal learning within the year group.

Transferable Skills

The BA (Hons) Fine Art course aims for professionalism in Fine Art. Transferable skills are integral to the development of Fine art skills and abilities. They are currently identified as the ability to:

Structure and communicate ideas effectively

Manage time and resources and to work to deadlines

Interact effectively with others through collaboration, collective endeavour and negotiation

Source information and use information technology

Critically analyse and evaluate

Work independently, self-manage and set priorities

Professional Practice

Professional practice is an integral part of studying at the School of Fine Art and is embedded with the course curriculum of the four year- stages of the programme, or provided by the Careers Service. It provides students with the opportunities, experience and skills to engage professionally within the local, national and international art world contexts.

This may include:

Preparation of artist's CV's and documentation of work

Gallery visits, exhibition initiation, organisation and publicity

Fund-raising, applications for grants and sponsorship for individual and group projects

Seminars on self-employment, professional organisations and networks, artist's groups and artists' initiatives.

Seminars on art law including copyright and intellectual property

Participation in exhibitions outside of the institutional context

23. Additional Relevant Information:

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24. Indicative Bibliography:

Issued via VLE including recommendations for purchase