

Arts and Well-being

Introduction

This unique course provides exciting opportunities to use art in the community or the health sector to promote well-being.

If you have a keen interest in the visual arts, enjoy meeting challenges with imagination and creativity and working with others to raise their level of self-esteem; then this is the course for you.

You will develop a variety of skills in arts practice, communication and working with diverse client groups in community and health care environments to promote well-being and empowerment.

Who is this course for?

This programme has been designed to meet current and future trends, influenced and supported by Arts and Health strategies at local and national level. The Foundation Degree is for:

- Those currently employed in areas of community work and health care that wish to extend or enhance their creative skills.
- Those who would like to work with art in the community or health care sector
- Those who would like to work within Art and Creative Industries
- Those who would like to gain a level 4 qualification

Content

This two year programme is split into two distinct areas, core and specialist units. This ensures a good foundation in visual skills, knowledge of the health and community sector, creative thinking, development and delivery of specialist projects and the application of skills in the workplace.

Year 1

Core Units

Work based Learning 1
Higher Learning Skills
The Individual in Arts/Health &
Community Sector

Specialist Units

Arts Practice 1
Project Development & Delivery 1
Communication & Health Awareness
Visual & Communication Skills (awareness
of & communicating with different client groups)

Year 2

Core Units

Work based Learning 2
Professional Roles and Responsibilities

Specialist Units

Arts Practice 2
Project Development & Delivery 2
Applied Communication & Health Awareness
Developing Reflective Practice
Specialist Subject Investigation
Research and Writing funding applications

Teaching Methods

A mixture of teaching methods including practical 2d and 3d workshop based activities; classroom based lectures, case studies, tutorials, work based learning, simulations, role plays and demonstrations will be employed. A range of visiting lecturers from arts, community and health sectors will also give seminars and support work based learning.

Duration and attendance

Full-time

This is a two-year course (2 x 15 week semesters per year) requiring attendance usually 2 days per week Monday (9.30 – 6.30) Tuesday (9.30 – 3.30) and Thursday evening (6.30 – 8.30).

Entry requirements

Mature students may be accepted without formal qualifications if they have either:

- A portfolio of recent creative work in arts and crafts
- Appropriate work experience supported by a demonstrated commitment to pursue a specialist area of study

Other applicants will need one of the following:

- An Access certificate in Art and Design or other related area
- BTEC National Diploma in Art and Design or related subject or a GNVQ Advanced Art and Design,
- Two relevant GCE A levels at C or above

In addition to the above we require evidence of appropriate work experience supported by a demonstrated commitment to pursue a specialist area of study and GCSE English language at C or above or equivalent.

Applicants will also be required to provide references and if accepted onto the course will need to complete a CRB check.

Whilst you must be able to fulfil the academic entry-level requirements we respond to an individual's passion and commitment to art and desire to work with people. This is why we place emphasis upon the applicant's personal interview. This is your chance to demonstrate to us your interest and enthusiasm.

Application

Application is online through UCAS route B, please follow the link www.ucas.com

If you would like to discuss your application please contact either Jo Pretty or Brenda Unwin, the course leaders at: jpretty@ccn.ac.uk or bunwin@ccn.ac.uk or contact City College at information@ccn.ac.uk.

Progression

On completion of the course you may wish to progress to employment, self-employment or top-up to a full degree by completing one more year of study at other HE institutions.

This course prepares students to progress into a wide range of careers in:

Arts & Health Care

Community Art

Arts & Education

Arts & Social Inclusion

(Including working towards Art Therapy at postgraduate level)



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