

Portfolio Preparation Course – Creative Practices 2023/24

Application Information & Guidelines

COURSE DATES 2023/24

The course is timetabled from August 2023 to February 2024.

Students are assigned into two groups each attending 15 hours per week and attending during term time as per the option they are allocated.

Option One Monday & Tuesday (9.30am - 4.30pm), Wednesday (9.30am -12.30pm)

Option Two Wednesday (1.30pm - 4.30pm), Thursday & Friday (9.30am - 4.30pm)

Term One

Online Induction Days: Monday 28th August to Wednesday 30th August 2023

Campus visit: Friday 1st September 2023

Start Date on Campus: Monday 4th September to Friday 15th December 2023

It is compulsory that ALL STUDENTS from both Options attend Induction Days

Term Two

Online: Wednesday 3rd January to Friday 5th January 2024

Start Date on Campus: Monday 8th January to Thursday 29th February 2024 (Online Friday 1st March for International Students)

(Note: Self Study Week –16th to 20th October 2023) Students do not attend the studio this week GSA (Glasgow School of Art) term holidays and public holidays will be advised on Induction Days

HOW TO APPLY

The Portfolio Preparation Course - Creative Practices welcomes applications from Home, RUK and International students who wish to progress to study Art, Design or Architecture up to degree/graduate level. The course is not registered through UCAS and does not have any formal entry requirements however we expect students to possess or are working towards the relevant qualifications for their intended onward study and have the ability and knowledge which allows you to use computers and related online technology competently.

International Applicants

This course is open to those out with the UK who are visiting the UK for **no longer than 6 months**. You must apply for a Standard Visitor Visa – for full details, you should refer to <https://www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/tourist-short-stay-visas> . Proof of English proficiency is required i.e. IELTS of 6.0 (minimum of 5.5 in all components).

The online application information on how to apply can be found here: www.gsa.ac.uk/study/foundation-portfolio/how-to-apply together with submission of an E-folio (digital imagery of applicant's art and design work to be uploaded to a GSA Webpage).

Please note:

- Applicants should submit their online written application as soon as possible **from Friday 10th February 2023**.
- **Portfolio E-folio Submission: Sample** work is an essential component of your application. This should be uploaded *after* submission of your online written application. Details on how to submit your E-Folio will be emailed to you via GSA Registry once they receive your initial application – **Do NOT submit your e-folio with your online written application**. Your digital portfolio should consist of 10 slides of images. The maximum image file size is 2MB and the total PDF 50MB, resolution does not need to exceed 72dpi. Some slides might contain multiple images but not duplicate images of the same work. Please include an accompanying image list with details of your work including title, scale, material usage and your name.
- Applications are assessed on a rolling basis and places are assigned to both Options accordingly.
- The numbers of places available are limited. Academic Year 2023/24 will be **40 places**.
- If you complete your application near the **final application date of Friday 30th June 2023**, your application may not be successful as the course may be full.

WHAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR E-FOLIO SUBMISSION

The admissions panel are interested in a candidate's most recent work including and most importantly, drawings from primary source material (i.e., NOT from photographs). Images from sketchbooks are encouraged, particularly those which demonstrate the applicant's creative process and interests.

Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend a short, online informal interview.

All applicants will be notified of their outcome after the application process.

Applications will be accepted from Friday 10th February to Friday 30th June 2023

Submit an Online Written Application

Sample of work in support of your application should be submitted via Portfolio Assessment website – log in details will be emailed to you via GSA Registry

Please check that your application is complete before submitting

COURSE FEE

The fees for the Portfolio Preparation Day Course - Creative Practices 2023/24 are:

Home/RUK students: £2600.00

International students: £5150.00

This requires to be paid **in full** within 14 days of your acceptance of our offer of a place unless awaiting a decision on a GSA Scholarship application – information below.

The course fee includes Studio learning and teaching, specialist creative workshops, access to GSA facilities including, Library and Technical Support Department facilities. Students are required to supply their own materials.

FUNDING

Open Studio Portfolio Scholarships

The Portfolio Preparation Course - Creative Practices 2023/24 is not eligible for HEI funding, however there are a limited number of Scholarships available to students who have been formally offered a place on the course. This will cover the course fees only.

This Scholarship enables talented individuals to obtain training or professional development in the and visual arts.

Students are required to apply through a separate application for this Scholarship and information will be made available to students once they have accepted their place on the course. There is a deadline for applications to the Scholarship; therefore, delays in acceptance may lead to ineligibility.

The Scholarships are intended to assist students who are studying towards their first-degree course. Eligible applicants must meet or are awaiting results to meet the GSA academic entry requirements; show evidence of commitment, motivation, and long-term ambitions; evidence of their and/or their family's financial status.

Students whose applications for a Scholarship are unsuccessful will be required to pay their course fees in full as detailed above.

ENQUIRIES AND QUESTIONS

If you have any questions about the course and application, please refer to the following links: -

www.gsa.ac.uk/portfolioprep

<https://www.facebook.com/GSAOpenStudio>

www.facebook.com/GSAPortfolioPreparation

Or alternatively, contact Open Studio.

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