

LEVEL 1 AWARD CREATIVE CRAFT - CERAMICS

Subject Area
Student Type
Study Mode

Art & Design, Fashion
& Creative Crafts
Adults
Part Time

What is the course about?

This beginner-friendly, part-time course for adults is designed for those who have a strong interest in ceramics and want to explore creative career pathways in the field. Whether you're completely new to ceramics or looking to build a solid foundation, this course is the perfect starting point.

You'll be introduced to the key skills, knowledge, and behaviours needed to succeed in ceramics, with hands-on practice and expert guidance throughout. The course also aims to prepare you for your next step, whether that's progressing to further study or pursuing opportunities within the creative industries.

Why should I choose the course?

This course is ideal if you have an interest in ceramics and want to explore a creative pathway, whether for personal development, further study, or future employment.

You will learn in a supportive environment, guided by expert tutors who will help you build confidence with essential techniques and materials. As a beginner-focused course, it is designed to help you develop the foundational skills and knowledge needed to progress in ceramics or take the next step in the wider creative industries.

What will I learn?

Throughout the course, you'll have the opportunity to experiment with a wide range of exciting ceramic techniques and processes. These may include paper clay, Raku firing, coil and slab building, slip casting, smoke firing, mould making, and glazing with both stoneware and earthenware.

You'll develop hands-on practical skills while exploring the work of other ceramic artists to inspire and inform your own creative projects.

Your progress will be assessed through your practical work, sketchbook development, and written evaluations, giving you a well-rounded understanding of both the technical and creative aspects of ceramics.

What will the course lead on to?

Following successful completion of the course you can progress onto a level 2 art and design-based course such as the Level 2 Certificate in Ceramics.



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Are there any links with industry and university?

Students will benefit from guest lectures and specialist workshops led by visiting artists and craftspeople, offering valuable insights into working as a freelance ceramics artist. The techniques and equipment you use will closely reflect current industry practices, fully preparing you for a professional career in ceramics.

You may also have the chance to participate in inspiring trips and offsite activities to spark your creativity. Throughout the course, you will have opportunities to exhibit your work to your peers, showcasing the skills and ideas you have developed along the way.

What support is available?

We have a team of staff dedicated to providing learning support if required, as well as a Wellbeing Team that is on hand to offer guidance, support and help when needed. Additionally, eligible students can access a wide range of finance and funding support to help them during their time at college.

Click here for learning support: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/learning-support>

Click here for finance support: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/financial-support>

Why should I choose to study the course at Warrington & Vale Royal College?

The course is delivered by highly experienced teachers who have a wealth of industry experience to share. You will have access to specialist studios and excellent facilities including Raku, electric kilns, enamelling kiln, glass kiln, glaze room, and throwing wheels.

What are the entry requirements?

No formal qualifications are required, however a keen interest and ability in art and design is essential.

Are there any additional costs associated with the course?

Students will be required to pay a materials fee of £30. Any trips will be in addition to the course fees. Students should have a basic art kit which can be purchased from the college's art shop; staff can advise on materials to purchase.



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