LEVEL 1 AWARD CREATIVE CRAFT Subject Area - DESIGN CRAFTS Study Mode

Student Type

Art & Design, Fashion & Creative Crafts Adults Part Time

What is the course about?

This introductory craft and design course is tailored specifically for adults who want to explore their creativity in a supportive and hands-on environment. You'll be encouraged to experiment with a range of materials and techniques across various craft and design disciplines, including drawing, painting, printmaking, stained glass, and ceramic figurative sculpture.

As part of your learning journey, you'll explore the work of different artists and learn how they develop ideas around personally chosen themes. This insight will help you generate and refine your own creative concepts. Throughout the course, you'll create, present, and review your own artworks, building both skills and confidence as a developing artist.

Why should I choose the course?

If you have an interest in art and design and would like to gain a formally recognised qualification, then this course is perfect for you. We have an extremely well-established art department at Warrington & Vale Royal College, with highly experienced and specialised teaching staff. We welcome all students who have an interest in the subject and would like to learn more in a friendly and welcoming learning environment.

What will I learn?

You'll be introduced to a wide range of materials, processes, and techniques, starting with observational drawing and the exploration of form and tone through various media. This includes sketchbook work and research tasks designed to develop sensitivity to both subject matter and materials.

As the course progresses, you'll explore 3D materials such as stained glass, ceramics, and copper, alongside a variety of printmaking and mark-making techniques. You'll also be introduced to both historical and contemporary artists, helping to inform and inspire your own creative practice.

The course is delivered primarily through practical, workshop-based sessions, supported by regular demonstrations and one-toone support.

What will the course lead on to?

Upon completion of this course, you can progress onto the Level 2 Certificate in Creative Craft or Art and Design to further your skills.



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Are there any links with industry and university?

We regularly have guest speakers and practicing artists who deliver talks to our students. We also run a range of local and national trips to various galleries and museums. We work closely with external agencies and employers to develop 'live briefs' which allow our students to explore real life projects. Recent projects have allowed students to work with culture Warrington, Warrington Museum, Lion Salt Works, and Blakemere Craft Centre.

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?

At Warrington & Vale Royal College, we put learning at the centre of everything we do. We have dedicated and passionate teaching staff who are practicing artists in their own right. All teaching staff bring a wealth of both industry and educational experience to the department, ensuring that you will have an excellent learning experience with us. We have fully equipped and spacious studios and a dedicated art technician to further support you during your time with us. If you're studying at Warrington campus, you'll enjoy learning in our Advanced Creative & Digital Skills Academy.

What are the entry requirements?

A portfolio of recent artwork is desirable but not essential. This portfolio could consist of a selection of artworks produced at home or whilst on an Adult Community Learning art course.

What are my funding options?

For further information about funding, please contact Learner Services on 01925 494400 or learner.services@wvr.ac.uk.

Are there any additional costs associated with the course?

We will provide the art materials required to complete this course. You will need to supply your own sketchbook for the course. We recommend a hardback sketchbook of either A3 or A4 size. It is also desirable for you to build up your own basic art supplies for use when working from home- further details will be provided during induction.



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