

General Enquiries

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Photography - Level 3 Diploma and Extended Diploma

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| Location | Altrincham Campus |
| Duration | 2 years |
| Full/Part time | Full-time |
| Department | Art & Design |



Course Overview

Who is the programme for?

Students over 16 wanting to specialise in Photography.

What is the programme structure?

The course runs over 2 years with each year split into units. The final part of the course is called the Final Major Project; this gives the student an opportunity to specialise, designing their own project to showcase their skills and creativity developed over the duration of the course.

What does the programme include?

The structure of the course is designed to give students a comprehensive understanding of most aspects of Photography. This will include using both film and digital cameras and associated equipment. Students will learn how to use a black and white darkroom to develop and print their own work, as well as how to use sophisticated image manipulation techniques on Apple Mac computers, using industry standard software.

Projects will provide opportunities to explore studio photography, location photography and experimental image making. There is also an emphasis on idea development, professional practice and learning about the history of photography and art and design.

Are there any special facilities for the programme?

There is a large a modern studio, fully equipped darkroom, as well as Apple Mac suites with current software applications for editing. Many of the staff teaching on the course are also practising artists/ photographers publishing or exhibiting their work nationally and internationally.

Students are expected to have their own DSLR.

What award will I achieve?

Extended Diploma in Photography. This is equivalent to 3 A levels.

Course Requirements

5 GCSEs at grade 9 - 4 including maths, English and an art related subject at grade 4

Mature students can present a portfolio of work.

Course Skills & Benefits

Will there be any extra costs involved?

Sketchbooks, portfolio, film and photographic paper as well as a DSLR camera.

Course Progression

Successful students may progress onto university or enter directly into employment.

Course Assessment

Your work will be assessed at key points during both years, according to a 'year plan' which will be provided during your course induction. During the Summer term of year 2, you will work on a Final Major Project on a theme of your own choice which will be displayed in the End of Year Exhibition.

Course Finance

This further education course is free for all 16-18 year olds who are resident in the UK and ther European Economic Area for the last 3 years. (You must be under 19 on the 31st August in the calendar year that you start your course).

19+ learners - please contact the Customer Services Team on 0161 886 7070 for course and fee information.

Course Additional Information

Full-time