

Information for offer holders: MA Interaction Design

This document contains important information from your course team about what to expect from your studies, including what kit you'll need to participate in your course.

We recommend visiting our [Coronavirus information](#) pages regularly for the latest advice and support to help you study safely.

We are really looking forward to welcoming you to MA Interaction Design course. We want to tell you a little more about our plans for the 2021/22 academic year.

We would like to introduce you to our Course Leader, Wesley Goatley. The course is taught in a mix of both online and offline modes, which includes online seminars and lectures, on-campus co-working and supervised studio times, and a mixture of online and in-person 1-1 tutorials between students and tutors. This is how the course has been taught for the last 12 months, and it's been working brilliantly with our 20/21 cohort who are making amazing work with us.

Our plans for the delivery in the term ahead have been informed by our experience working with the 20/21 group of students, as well as consultation with student representatives and feedback and discussion at termly course committee meetings.

We know from experience that things can change very rapidly, so we have plans in place just in case we have to adapt to further restrictions or other events and have designed our timetables to make this possible. Timetables will be published in early September.

Course modifications

To ensure the currency of our courses, we regularly review and modify our curriculum. This is standard practice within Higher Education. This course went through the process of reapproval in 2020-21. We want to ensure that all applicants are made aware of the enhancements made to the course.

There have been updates to the Course Detail, Course Units, Assessment Methods and the following unit changes:

- Expanded Practice has become a 40 credit unit (from 20) and replaces Experimental Methods
- A new unit called Explorative Research has replaced Research Practice and Design

- The unit Theories and Technologies of Interaction Design has been renamed Theories and Practices of Interaction Design.

All updated information can be found in the course's [Programme Specification \(PDF file 245.3KB\)](#).

Key contacts

More details about your curriculum can be found on our [MA Interaction Design course page](#).

Course Leader: Wesley Goatley (w.goatley@lcc.arts.ac.uk) is the key contact for any questions about our proposed learning methods, or about the course itself.

Administration team: (ldvc@arts.ac.uk) will be able to help with other matters.

Your course kit list

We recommend waiting until you're notified you're eligible to enrol before purchasing your course kit.

Digital kit

The minimum kit list to engage with UAL learning is:

1. Laptop or desktop computer (Mac or PC)
2. Stable internet connection
3. Ear/headphones which work with your laptop or desktop – preferably with an inbuilt microphone.
4. A standalone webcam if your laptop or desktop does not already have one.
5. Basic office software. You can download up to five free copies of the [Office365](#) suite.

Discounts and benefits

As a UAL student you have access to a range of educational discounts to assist with your studies. Read our [IT software and discounts](#) page to find out more.

Adobe Creative Cloud UAL student deal

You can access Adobe Creative Cloud programmes for free whilst on site, however you may want flexibility and guaranteed access at other times.

The UAL student deal gives you a subscription to the full Adobe Creative Cloud suite, plus 100GB of cloud storage until Saturday 13 August 2022 for a single £48 payment.

You should check your course requirements and [information on alternative software](#) before purchasing. If you need access to more than two Adobe Creative Cloud applications or want to access them remotely, it's worth considering this offer.

The deal will be available on the [UAL eStore](#) from 14 August 2021 for all UAL students. Read our [Get Adobe Creative Cloud for £48](#) story for details.

University Equipment Hardship Fund

If you think you may need financial support to purchase equipment to access online learning, the [University Equipment Hardship Fund](#) may be able to help.