

## Information for offer holders: MA Art and Science

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 looking forward to welcoming you to MA Art and Science course in September. We want to tell you a little more about our plans for 2021/22 academic year.

Covid-19 has presented challenges for everyone over the last year, but it has also presented opportunities to develop and reflect on our teaching and learning in relation to our disciplines in art, design and performance. We intend to use varied approaches to learning that are led by pedagogic best practice.

Using student and staff feedback from this year we have developed our teaching to achieve the best blend of online and on-campus learning experiences appropriate to the MA Art and Science.

We know that the opportunity to learn face-to-face and in groups is important and there will be studio teaching as part of the curriculum which you will be expected to attend on campus. Where possible the on-campus teaching sessions will be timetabled to take place over no more than two days each week to minimise your travel. Whilst you are on-campus you will be able to work in the MA Art and Science studio located in CSM Archway (Elthorne Studios). You will also have bookable access to additional study resources at CSM Kings Cross, including workshops and our library.

We will be delivering lectures online that will be recorded on Microsoft Teams, together with group sessions and one-to-one tutorials to allow flexibility in your learning on the course.

As each unit is designed to be the best blend of learning experiences for the subject discipline, you will find details of the different ways in which we will be delivering the curriculum on your timetable.

There will be a programme of online and on-campus induction events called Big Welcome, so look out for emails telling you more about these. There will also be course induction events in your first week.

We know from experience that things can change very rapidly, so we have plans in place just in case we must adapt to further restrictions or other events, and we have designed our timetables to make this possible. Your timetable will be published in early September, and we look forward to welcoming you when term starts.

## Key contacts

More details about your curriculum can be found on our [MA Art and Science course page](#).

**Course Leader:** Nathan Cohen ([n.cohen@csm.arts.ac.uk](mailto:n.cohen@csm.arts.ac.uk)) is your main point of contact for any questions you may have about your course curriculum.

**Pathway Leader:** Heather Barnett ([h.barnett@csm.arts.ac.uk](mailto:h.barnett@csm.arts.ac.uk)).

**Programme Administrator:** Pallav Datta ([p.datta@csm.arts.ac.uk](mailto:p.datta@csm.arts.ac.uk)) will be able to help with any 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.

### Other kit

You will be working with a range of media but to start the course you should bring a sketchbook/notebook and something to write and draw with (pencils/pens). As the course progresses so you will find out what other materials you may need to develop your work and you will, of course, receive guidance from the course tutors and workshop technicians about this.

### 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.