We can supply information in alternative formats for people with a visual impairment or dyslexia. Please contact the Student Recruitment and International Office, tel +44 (0)20 7919 7700, e-mail studyabroad@gold.ac.uk or visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/disability.
106 years as part of the University of London
15 minutes by train from central London
6 graduates who have won the prestigious Turner Prize
15 academic departments
Students from 110 countries
5,717 undergraduates
3,119 postgraduates
1,519 staff

1 Goldsmiths
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Introducing Goldsmiths

Why study abroad at Goldsmiths?

Spending a period of time experiencing a different culture at Goldsmiths could have many benefits. It could:

— develop your professional and vocational skills, and your academic experience

— clarify your understanding of your subject and reinforce your commitment to focus on your studies

— improve your cultural awareness, and help you to broaden your horizons and develop a global outlook

— encourage you to become more flexible in your approach to life and study

— help you become more independent and mature

— improve your social skills

— help you develop lasting international friendships and a network of contacts that could enhance your future life and career
Whoever you are, and however you’ve made your way here, Goldsmiths will transform the way you look at yourself and the world around you.

Our range of facilities and student services have been designed to support your learning every step of the way, and we are committed to making sure that you are offered high quality teaching and learning at Goldsmiths. We have been part of the internationally recognised University of London for over a century. So you’ll benefit from the high quality educational and entertainment facilities it offers. For example, you’ll be able to access the impressive resources in the central University of London Library, the University of London Union, and The Careers Group, one of the largest careers services in Europe.

We guarantee all Study Abroad students a place in College accommodation for the duration of their study, and all halls of residence are within walking distance of Goldsmiths, with easy access to Central London by public transport. In fact, you’re only a 15-minute train ride away from the centre of one of the most exciting cities in the world!

As so many students tell us, Goldsmiths is very special. I hope you will want to experience it for yourself.

Pat Loughrey
Warden
Goldsmiths, University of London

Goldsmiths is all about the freedom to experiment, to think differently, to be an individual. That’s why our list of former students includes names like Antony Gormley, Damien Hirst, Mary Quant, Bridget Riley, Sam Taylor-Wood, Graham Coxon, Malcolm McLaren.

We look at subjects in creative and unconventional ways, but everything we do is based on the highest academic standards of teaching and research. And we’ve been part of the internationally recognised University of London for more than a century.

Location
Our location in South East London will give you a unique perspective on the UK’s capital, providing plenty of opportunities for a well-rounded university experience. It’s close to the centre of things, but offers lots of local hidden gems.

Diversity
Over 22% of our students come from outside the UK, from more than 110 countries. Over half of our undergraduates are classified as mature students, helping to create the diverse student population of which we are so proud.

Community
At Goldsmiths you’ll find almost everything together on one site, so there’s a strong campus feel to life here: we’re big enough to offer some fantastic facilities, but not so big that things seem impersonal and unfriendly.

Experience
The active social scene at Goldsmiths means that there are lively events to cater to everyone’s tastes – from performances and concerts to exhibitions and shows. And our fantastic Students’ Union offers you the opportunity to get even more involved, through award-winning volunteering placements or working on the student magazine or radio station, for example.

Excellence
We have a reputation for excellence in the subjects that we offer, with feedback from the National Student Survey showing that our students’ satisfaction levels are good, particularly in relation to the teaching they receive. Our research is also highly rated – in the 2008 official Research Assessment Exercise we were placed 9th in the UK for world-leading research (shown by the top 4* grade).

Quality
We are committed to offering you high quality teaching and learning opportunities during your time here. In 2009 the Quality Assurance Agency audited the College and announced their ‘confidence’ - the best result a university can get - in the management of both academic standards and student learning opportunities. Student feedback given at twice yearly forums informs and enhances the quality of learning opportunities, allowing students to play an active part both in monitoring quality and standards in their departments, and in developing their programmes of study.

Our virtual tours let you take a closer look at some of the buildings and facilities at Goldsmiths. www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/virtual-tours
Location

Deptford Marbles, Deptford High Street
Goldsmiths is in New Cross, South East London. Vibrant, urban and with great travel connections to Central London, it’s an ideal low-cost base for experiencing and enjoying the UK’s capital city.

London is an amazing place to be a student, because there’s so much to see and do here. The resources and opportunities are endless – the museums, galleries, theatres, festivals, live music, nightlife, shopping, restaurants, and green spaces will provide plenty of exciting places to explore. Cosmopolitan and bustling, it was recently announced as the world’s largest Fairtrade City. And with the Olympics taking place here in 2012, London really is the place to be.

London, with a difference

Goldsmiths is in travelcard zone 2, with Central London just 15 minutes away by train. New Cross has excellent public transport links (bus, train and Docklands Light Railway [DLR]), including a good network of reliable night buses – especially useful if you’re planning an evening out. See page 86 for travel information.

New Cross and the surrounding areas are very distinctive parts of London, offering many exciting experiences. Here’s an idea of what’s on offer locally:

New Cross
Around New Cross itself you’ll find an eclectic mix of coffee shops, pubs, and places to eat, plus a large Sainsbury’s supermarket not far from New Cross Gate station (New Cross station is just a few minutes away in the opposite direction). The area is a hub of creative talent, and has a thriving music scene, with places like the Amersham Arms holding acclaimed live events. If you’re in the mood for something a bit more cheesy, try The Venue, which hosts famed tribute nights and dancing until late.

Deptford
Deptford is less than a 10-minute walk from Goldsmiths, down New Cross Road. It’s a former royal docks area, and buildings like Laban – a centre for contemporary dance that organises events and performances – and converted warehouses sit alongside meandering creeks and inlets. Bustling Deptford market is the perfect place to stock up on fresh fruit and vegetables, while the high street has been voted the best in the capital for its vibrant and diverse mix of independent shops. There’s a growing artistic community in the area, with the Deptford X festival providing an annual opportunity for local artists to showcase their work, and for visitors to explore studio spaces. The Albany, a performing and digital arts venue, is also worth a visit.

Greenwich
With its strong maritime connections and status as a world heritage site, Greenwich – just a short bus ride or 20-minute walk from New Cross – has history and beauty galore. Famous sights like the Cutty Sark and National Maritime Museum sit side-by-side with contemporary bars, a brilliant market, a cinema, the Up the Creek comedy club, and restaurants offering international cuisine, while its setting along the bank of the River Thames offers many picturesque spots to eat or drink overlooking the water. It’s also home to Greenwich Park, the oldest enclosed royal park in the UK, which stretches for 183 acres. From the top of the park, next to the Royal Observatory, you get an excellent panoramic view of the stunning London cityscape, stretching from the London Eye in the West to Canary Wharf and the Thames Barrier in the East. Also visible is The O2 (formerly the Millennium Dome), an entertainment centre featuring a 20,000-capacity arena with regular music and sports events, a smaller venue for more intimate gigs, plus restaurants, bars, clubs, and an 11-screen multiplex cinema.

Lewisham
Lewisham is another local place where you’ll find a well-stocked market. It’s just a short bus ride away from Goldsmiths, and also features a large shopping centre with many high street stores, as well as independent shops, plus lots of green space in the area’s many parks.

Brockley & Forest Hill
Nearby Brockley and Forest Hill are primarily residential areas, but they boast lovely open green spaces and some great pubs and bars. The Brockley Jack Theatre (which also hosts music, comedy and other live events) and Horniman Museum are also popular.

Other areas to investigate
Other places local to Goldsmiths include Peckham (Rye Lane has plenty of character and energy, containing shops selling goods from around the world), East Dulwich (trawl the bars and eateries on Lordship Lane, and investigate the weekend market on North Cross Road), Camberwell (with its cool bars and clubs), London Bridge (where you can wander to the South Bank and attractions like Tate Modern and Shakespeare’s Globe Theatre), and Canary Wharf (where you’ll find two shopping centres and lots of bars and restaurants, many beside the Thames).

London on a budget

London doesn’t have to be an expensive city to enjoy – it’s possible to live on a budget and still have fun. Lots of things like galleries, parks, street entertainment, festivals, carnivals, lunchtime concerts and some museums are free, and you can often find cheap restaurants and cafés off the beaten track, especially away from tourist hotspots. Student cards and flyers can help to make nights out affordable, and your NUS card also entitles you to discounts in some shops and cinemas.

18+ Student Oyster Card
An 18+ Student Oyster photocard offers students the opportunity to spend less on travel in and around London. Photocard holders are entitled to a 30% discount on many tickets. Visit www.tfl.gov.uk for further details.
Social life
Being at university isn’t just about studying. At Goldsmiths, and around London, you’ll find a rich variety of resources to use, things to do and people to meet.

**Students’ Union**

The award-winning Goldsmiths Students’ Union provides a range of services and student development opportunities including clubs, societies, volunteering opportunities, sports facilities, student media, representation, advice, meeting rooms, and entertainment. It plays a big part in life at Goldsmiths, providing opportunities for exciting extracurricular experiences whatever your interests. Our bar has a late licence several nights each week, and is a great value and friendly place to meet people. The Union holds a varied selection of events too, including regular quizzes, gigs, student society nights, and the fabulous weekly Club Sandwich night, a Goldsmiths institution! The Union recently won a gold Sound Impact Award, recognising their work on ethical and environmental issues. The Union is affiliated to the National Union of Students (NUS). Here’s a sample of what you can get involved in at the Union:

**Societies**

You might decide to join one of our many cultural, political and performance groups – they’re an excellent way to meet like-minded people. Societies include the Arts & Entertainment, Charity, Creative Enterprise Club, Debating, Drama, Musical Theatre, Postgraduate & Mature, and Volunteering Societies. Cultural societies include the Chinese, Japan, Korean, Middle Eastern, and South Asian Societies.

**Volunteering and student development**

This is a major focus of the Union’s activities, and a great chance to get some experience, open up your horizons, and really make a difference. You might find yourself mentoring local children, engaging with the local community, or trying some campaign and committee work. A number of the volunteer schemes are award-winning.

**Sports**

The Union offers a diverse range of sporting clubs – including Basketball, Dance, Football (Soccer), Hockey (Field), Ice Hockey, Karate, Kung-fu and Kickboxing, Netball, Rugby Union, Snowboard & Ski, and Swimming.

**Club Pulse**

A state-of-the-art fitness centre on campus provides a large range of exercise equipment and regular fitness classes at affordable prices.

**Smiths Magazine**

Our Guardian award-winning student magazine is published throughout the year, and is always keen to hear from potential contributors.

**Wired Radio**

Goldsmiths’ long-running student radio station is based on campus, with an on-air and off-air suite.

**Advice and representation**

The Students’ Union Advice Centre provides professional, independent advice on issues relating to academic programmes. In addition, the Union has a Welfare and Education Officer, elected by Goldsmiths students to represent you on academic and pastoral issues. All the elected officers are here to support you and represent you on an individual level.

**Eating and drinking**

There are a variety of catering facilities on campus, including Loafer’s Café, a refectory, shops, and eating and drinking areas in the Students’ Union.

**Get involved at Goldsmiths**

In addition to everything the Union has to offer, Goldsmiths is a hive of activity, and has lots to keep you occupied. Varied events take place on a weekly basis, from recitals and shows to workshops and discussions. You can even join the Goldsmiths Chorus or Sinfonia, or find out about a different subject by taking a course from another degree. You might decide to sign up to our reasonably priced part-time classes – subjects include creative writing, journalism, performing arts and languages. If you decide to learn or develop a language, a Goldsmiths Certificate in Foreign Language Competence will be awarded for each grade you pass – something that will look impressive on your résumé!

**University of London Union**

As a Goldsmiths student you’ll also be able to use the facilities offered by the University of London Union (ULU) in Central London. The building features a café, restaurant/bar and club, all at student prices, plus shops, a gym, swimming pool, weights room and sports hall.

**Contacts**

Club Pulse

www.clubpulse.gold.ac.uk

Goldsmiths Students’ Union

+44 (0)20 8692 1406

su@gold.ac.uk

http://goldsmithsstudents.org

University of London Union

www.ulu.co.uk

**Many ways to get involved**

The Students’ Union enjoys a primary role in student life on campus by offering a wide range of activities catering for diverse student interests. There are many ways to get involved and the Union exists for all students; we’re proud to say that EU and international students here join or start clubs and societies, participate in Union democracy and decision-making, run events, organise campaigns, write for the magazine, and volunteer – there is something for everyone! We also run an academic advice service too, and this is confidential and independent from the College and your department.

**Jesse Fajemisin**

Students’ Union President

2009-10
Studying at Goldsmiths
Transforming

Studying at Goldsmiths will give you the chance to develop your individuality, to look beyond preconceived ideas, and to explore creative and radical approaches to your subject. For more than a century, we have been part of the University of London, a federation of institutions renowned for the highest standards of teaching, research, and scholarship. Goldsmiths is also a member of the prestigious 1994 Group of research-intensive universities.

Learning, teaching and assessment

Goldsmiths aims to maintain and enhance the quality and standards of learning, teaching, assessment and support mechanisms through its learning and teaching strategies. We aim to provide our students with an enriching learning experience that is concerned with knowledge, skills and self-discovery through creative, radical and rigorous learning practice. We support students in achieving diverse skills, attributes and characteristics.

We aim to offer exciting and innovative curricula based on our academic strengths, which reflect the varied interests and qualities of our diverse student population and which meet the wider needs of society. In parallel with developments across the higher education sector we are committed to increasingly student-centred approaches to learning and teaching. We support students to become self-motivated learners, enabled to take responsibility for, and control of, their learning whilst at Goldsmiths and beyond.

How you will learn

At Goldsmiths you can expect to learn through a variety of teaching methods and styles that ensures programmes are lively and participative, including lectures, tutorials, seminars, project work and practical assignments.

—Lectures
Delivered by one of Goldsmiths’ academic staff, or sometimes by specially invited experts in the field, lectures present information and ideas, often from a variety of viewpoints. There is usually an opportunity to ask questions and discuss some of the points raised.

—Tutorials
Tutorials are more two-way in style than lectures, and allow you to receive feedback on how your work is progressing. They also allow you to discuss with your tutors any difficulties you may be experiencing.

—Seminars
Held in small groups, these provide an opportunity for a student to introduce a given topic and to lead a group discussion on that topic. The free flow of ideas produces a stimulating learning environment.

—Team activities
Working on projects or tasks in small, self-managed teams provides valuable experience of teamwork, itself a highly transferable skill.

—Project work
Projects can be individual or team-based.

—Practical work
In creative subjects, you will be expected to explore issues through a range of media appropriate to your subject specialism. In scientific and technological subjects, conducting tests and experiments will help you to develop and practise skills, as well as test theoretical propositions.

How you will be assessed

Like teaching, assessment is also conducted in a range of styles. This approach has a number of benefits for students, offering the fairest possible means of assessment.

Assessment methods vary according to the purpose of the assessment and the nature of the individual programme. On most programmes you will usually have some timed examinations, but you may also find different forms of written exams such as open-book exams (where you can use reference books in the exam), objective tests, and papers that you can write outside the examination hall, again with access to reference materials.

Many programmes include a substantial proportion of continuous assessment, which means that some or all of the work you do during the programme (e.g. essays, seminar papers, reports on practical and project work) counts towards your final marks. Informal assessment of your progress can take place throughout the year, but formal assessment normally takes place at the end of the year.

Looking ahead

When you finish your studies here, you’ll have something in common with thousands of former Goldsmiths students in all walks of life. You’ll find our graduates in the arts, the media, education, music, politics, and business.

Goldsmiths alumni include: art and design: Lucian Freud, Antony Gormley, Damien Hirst, Margaret Howell, Gary Hume, Steve McQueen, Mary Quant, Bridget Riley, Yinka Shonibare, Sam Taylor-Wood, Tang Da Wu, Gillian Wearing, and Jane and Louise Wilson; music: Alex James, Graham Coxon, Martyn Brabbins, John Cale, John Illsley, Brian Molko, and Malcolm McLaren; theatre: Moira Buffini and Ian Rickson; cinema: David Tattersall; entertainer, Julian Clary, and writers, Linton Kwesi Johnson, Hisham Matar, Colin Welland, and Lijia Zhang.
Contact us
To find out more about the Study in London programme for Study Abroad and Exchange students, please get in touch:

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London SE14 6NW
United Kingdom

telephone +44 (0)20 7919 7700
fax +44 (0)20 7919 7704
e-mail studyabroad@gold.ac.uk

www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad

There is general information for international students at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/international

Other programmes at Goldsmiths

As well as Study Abroad, we offer the following programmes for international students:

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**Recruitment events in your country**

Goldsmiths representatives take part in recruitment events throughout the world – visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/international/recruitment-trips to find out if we’re coming to a city near you.
Goldsmiths offers several short-term programmes for international students as a part of our Study in London programme:

—Junior Year Abroad (JYA) – September to June

• Fall (Autumn), Spring and Summer Options
  • Full year – September to June
  • Fall (Autumn) semester – September to December
  • Fall (Autumn) & Spring semester – September to March
  • Spring semester – January to March
  • Spring & Summer semester – January to June

—Junior Year Abroad (JYA) plus English for non-native speakers – April to June – up to 15 months

Our Study in London programme gives international students the opportunity to live, study and socialise with Goldsmiths undergraduate students for one or two terms, or the full academic year, and offers students from different educational systems the opportunity to study and gain academic credit from a British university. You can also be admitted as a graduate student.

—Junior Year Abroad (JYA)
The Junior Year Abroad (JYA) is aimed at students mainly from the United States of America, Japan, South Korea, Mexico or Brazil – but is open to all students who have a good enough command of English to study at Level II or III of an honours degree.

The Junior Year Abroad is one academic year (nine months) of study, from September to the beginning of June in the following calendar year. Usually it consists of three terms: two teaching periods of 12 weeks each – the Autumn and Spring terms – and a third six-week period of examinations – the Summer term.

This option is the most flexible and opens up the choice of many undergraduate degree modules at Goldsmiths, depending on timetabling and prerequisites. You can compile a study programme from a range of disciplines or take a more focused approach by choosing to specialise in a single major discipline.

—Fall (Autumn), Spring and Summer Options
For international students who are unable to study abroad for a full academic year, this option offers the possibility of study for a shorter period of time from a more limited range of modules.

The Fall option runs for the 12 weeks of the Autumn term from late September to late December, while the Fall & Spring option runs from September to March. The Spring option begins in January and runs for the 12 weeks to late March, while the Spring & Summer option runs from January to mid-June. It is not possible to register for the Summer term alone: registration for Summer must include the Spring term.

—Junior Year Abroad (JYA) plus English for non-native speakers
JYA plus English is for students who require intensive English language preparation for integrated study at a British university. This programme is especially designed to meet the needs of students from countries such as Japan where the academic year begins in April. It also offers a shorter programme to enable students to return home for the crucial job-hunting season, which often starts in January. For more information see the Languages section on page 45.
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In most cases, you can identify the level of a course, and the department that teaches it, from its course code. For example:

The fourth character usually indicates the level of the course.

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Or check the online version, www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad, which will show any changes made to courses after April 2010.
“I feel very blessed to be at a College that has a solid academic reputation, respects individuality, and genuinely cares for and looks after its students.”

Jenillee San Juan
USA
“The university atmosphere is amazing. I love the artistic feel that everyone brings to the proverbial table, and I chose Goldsmiths mainly for the feeling of creativity always being the goal.”

Mario Clopton
USA
Programmes
Anthropology

The Department of Anthropology at Goldsmiths is one of the most consistently innovative in the UK. It has played a significant role in the development of new fields and directions in the discipline, such as the anthropology of Europe and the anthropology of media. Anthropology at Goldsmiths has above all a contemporary orientation, and contributes both to the development of the academic discipline and to the world outside it.

This happens through policy-oriented research and advocacy in a range of areas - from health to community work, from development to music and art, from urban planning to brain imaging - in which anthropology is active and relevant in public domains in the UK and elsewhere.

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There’s lots to do in London without spending money: there are 17 National Museums and Galleries with free entrance, including the British Museum, National Gallery, Tate Modern, and V&A Museum.

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Ethnography of a Selected Region I - South Asia

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In this course you learn about South Asian cultural life through a focus on the ethnography of the region. Taking India as a key focus you explore issues such as caste inequalities, gender relations, protest movements, violence and transformations in colonial, national and religious ideologies. You will also have the opportunity to reflect on how these issues have been represented within and outside anthropology.

Anthropology Today

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What is anthropology’s role in public life? How have anthropologists past and present contributed to some of the most pressing debates of the day? This course examines anthropology’s unique position and methodologies for exploring issues such as environmental politics, new technologies, war, conflict, racism, cognition and the nature of social experience. New course: subject to validation.

Anthropology in London

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London, with its complex past and thriving multicultural present, offers a unique vantage point from which to study important historical and contemporary issues alongside the production of anthropology. Learn about issues such as the international slave trade, globalisation, cosmopolitanism, post-colonialism, migration, commemoration, identity politics and transformations through visiting museums, galleries, streets and markets in a course which combines readings in anthropology with field trips in the city. New course: subject to validation.

Visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad for up-to-date information on courses
Level II

Ethnography of the Caribbean

ANS2003B
4 credits [Autumn]

You explore the Caribbean as a socio-cultural area; cultural heritages and culture-building; race, class and gender; kinship and religion; rural development and urban life; and the Caribbean diaspora.

Politics, Economics and Social Change

ANS2004A
4 credits [Autumn]
10 credits [Full year]

You examine the scope and approaches of economic and political anthropology, including theories of social change; comparative study of First and Third World development; agrarian structure; peasant societies; multinational corporations; dependency theory and nationalism and ethnicity.

General Principles of Social Anthropology

ANS2005A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Offers an overview of the intellectual history of anthropology. Beginning well before the establishment of anthropology as a discipline, we start by considering what is at stake when one begins to theorise 'otherness', how one identifies a society or culture as ‘other’ (and why), and the methods employed for doing this. It then observes how anthropology and its practices have evolved through time. While some schools and theories seem to have become redundant, you are encouraged to pursue how some ideas and models return and/or persist in other guises. The point is to understand the circumstances and presumptions that underpin different schools of thought, so as to be better equipped to critically analyse the theory that is currently mobilised in anthropological analysis.

Level III

Ethnography of (Post)-Socialism

ANS2007A
4 credits [Spring]

You develop an understanding of the main issues of the anthropology of socialism and after. The course also covers the recent anthropological research and literature on post-socialism, looking particularly at new nationalisms, changing economic formations, religion, and gender relations.

Anthropology and the Visual

ANS2008A
4 credits [Spring]

The body has been a major object of visual attention and theoretical and ethnographic investigation in anthropology. It features as: a key metaphor in anthropological theory; a cultural artefact; a medium of performance; the template for a range of associated material artefacts and practices; an object of obsessive representation in a wide variety of media; a model for non-human forms; and a medium for thinking about the boundaries and limitations of the body. This course offers you the opportunity to conduct your own piece of visually oriented research, combining text and images. You work in small groups to devise a project on some aspect of the body.

Psychological Perspectives in Anthropology

ANS3003A
4 credits [Autumn]

The course, which is both historical and thematic, is focused around a number of key scholars from the past and in contemporary literature who have attempted to bring a psychological dimension into Anthropology (or the Social Sciences more generally). It therefore focuses around various issues; personality, language, madness and cognition, and conceptions of the self to examine the relationship between the self, human agency and the social context.

History and Anthropology

ANS3005B
4 credits [Spring]

You look at new anthropological history and historical anthropology; sources and methods (eg archives, oral history, paintings, maps, artefacts); fact and fiction; myth and memory; cross-cultural categories of time and space; and different ways of talking about the past.

Anthropology of Health I

ANS3008A
4 credits [Autumn]
10 credits [Full year]

You examine key themes in medical anthropology, ranging from ideas about healing to social inequality and the ‘new biology’. The course addresses issues of biomedicine in the UK alongside alternative therapies and explanations of health/illness in different parts of the world, and approaches to the political economy. Specific sessions include the application of medical anthropology, ‘new’ diseases and technologies.

Anthropology, Representation and Contemporary Media

ANS3009A
4 credits [Autumn]

You consider ethnobiology; landscapes; art and the environment; the country and the city; ecological traditions in anthropology; the politics of ecology; indigenous peoples and resource management; eco-discourse and new social movements; developmentalism; indigenous rights; and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs). Please contact the Student Recruitment and International Office to confirm that the course is running.

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This course examines the interface between anthropological representation and contemporary media employing photography, film, video, television and other electronic means of communication. Topics include: visual anthropology; modes of representation in the industrial age (print, film, music); the image of the primitive; ethnographic film; World cinema; ‘indigenous’ media; Hollywood; Bollywood; mass culture and new technologies.

Urban Anthropology

ANS3013A
4 credits [Spring]

You study the changing use of different urban spaces at different times, and examine the following: how cities are represented; ideas of order and disorder; public and domestic places; ideas of control and resistance through carnival; informal economies; and kinship networks.

Anthropology of Art

ANS3015A
4 credits [Autumn]

You study key issues in the anthropology of art. The course includes: conflicting definitions of art and aesthetics; modes of seeing within and across cultures; creativity, inspiration and the category of the artist; the body as art; issues of gender and ideology; the politics of the ownership and display of non-Western art works; imagining nationality and ethnicity through art; primitivism and the construction of the other.
The Anthropology of Development

4 credits [Autumn]

You study the history of development and its institutions – from NGOs to the World Bank and IMF, while considering diverse case studies from around the world. You will also explore the historical role of anthropology’s involvement in development, as official mediators between ‘the West and the rest’ through imperial conquest, colonial administration and a post-war development industry.

Gender Theory in Practice

4 credits [Spring]

Drawing on the literature of both the anthropology of development and feminist anthropology, you examine central debates about changing gender relations in connection with issues such as the role of the state.

Anthropology and Gender Theory

4 credits [Autumn]

This course aims to explore the interrelationships of gender, sexuality and the body by bringing together ideas from contemporary Western social/cultural theory (including psychoanalytic, feminist and queer theories), detailed ethnographic and historical case studies, and some classic anthropological theories and issues. In doing this, we explore the ways in which the body, gender and sexuality have been produced/imagined in different ways.

Anthropology of Europe

4 credits [Spring]

You study Europe as an ideological, cultural and historical formation. Some of the main themes of the course are: migration, ethnicity and racism; social exclusion; European capitalisms, informal economy and flexible production; nation, state, and suprastate; ‘discourses’ and ‘cultures’ of violence and terrorism; the ethnography of public and private domains; and democracy, citizenship and participation.

Anthropology of Human-Animal Relations

4 credits [Autumn]

You consider human-animal relations, within topics such as totemism; domestication; classification; selective breeding; hunter-prey relations; animals in art/literature/movies; xenotransplantation; cloned animals; pet-keeping; monsters and other imaginary animals; and animal rights.

Anthropology of Rights

4 credits [Spring]

You critically engage with the full spectrum of rights discourses, considering not only the language of Human Rights found in international law, but also the cross-cutting – and often competing – claims made in the name of gender and child rights, indigenous rights, cultural property, intellectual property, bioethics, customary law and cosmopolitan law.

Anthropology and the Visual: Production Course

4 credits [Spring]

This is a practically based course in which you explore the techniques of video making/photography.
Art Practice

Studio Practice
including: drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, photography, digital media, video, performance, installation, constructed and printed textiles

FAS51010A
28 credits (Full year):
4 days per week
16 credits [Spring and Summer]:
4 days per week
12 credits [Autumn or Spring]:
4 days per week

Prerequisites: if studying Studio Practice, you must take Critical Studies (right). You must have strong self-motivation, good practical involvement in the subject and knowledge of contemporary art.

The main purpose of the Studio Practice is to teach you how to make art and to evaluate different critical approaches to your own practice. The course aims to support your individual development and creativity and to help you acquire independent learning skills. This interdisciplinary approach requires you to be committed and self-motivated; to thrive on constructive criticism exchanged between staff and students; and to participate in discussing your own work and that of others.

All Studio Practice staff are practising artists, curators and writers, here to respond to the work that you make and to help you understand how it contributes to and challenges the critical debates that exist in the study area and beyond.

The Studio Practice course enables you to develop your own art work through exploring selected media and approaches, including: drawing, painting, film, installation, performance, photography, printed and constructed textiles, printmaking, sculpture, and video. Studio teaching is enhanced by technical support, which introduces you to techniques relevant to the practical development of your work.

Critical Studies

FAS51011A
4 credits [Autumn or Spring]:
1 day per week
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]:
1 day per week

Prerequisites: some previous experience of either contemporary art, art history or related discipline.

Critical Studies enables you to become informed about some of the key concepts underpinning twentieth-century and contemporary art production. The aim of the course is to extend your critical faculties and enable you to develop your ability to talk, write about, analyse and judge contemporary art.

The course utilises the huge range of opportunities London offers for direct engagement with art in museums and galleries. It is delivered through a combination of tutor-led visits to relevant museums, galleries and temporary exhibitions – reflecting developments in contemporary art practice as they occur – together with lectures and seminars offering you a space for exploring and examining the historical and critical context in which art is made, seen and understood.
Communication
Studies

The Department of Media and Communications at Goldsmiths is at the forefront of developments in cultural theory and practice in the UK. With excellent production facilities, and specialisms in many areas, our empirical work has brought us national and international recognition as one of the leaders in our field.

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Not all Level III courses (course codes beginning with MC53) will run each year: a selection are offered each year, depending on staff research leave.

See also Professional and Community Education: Cultural and Social Studies (page 59) for other courses in this subject.

**Level I**

**Media History and Politics**

**MC51002A**

4 credits [Autumn]

You consider the historical development of the British media, their role in the development of modern Britain, and changes in the content and structure of the media in relation to social and political change. You also examine, in a historical context, some key debates about the relationship of the media to society.

**Culture and Cultural Studies**

**MC51005A**

4 credits [Spring]

You are introduced to the debates surrounding the term ‘culture’, including questions of ‘high’ and ‘mass’ culture and the development of British cultural studies. You study the ‘moment’ of cultural studies and the ways in which ideas of ‘resistance’ and hegemony developed out of work on subcultures. You also explore understandings of culture based on experiences of gender, age and race and you begin to examine audience-based approaches to cultural activity.

**Key Debates in Media Studies**

**MC51006B**

4 credits [Spring]

This course focuses on important debates concerning media power and mediated identity, and examines the different traditions and disciplines that have contributed to media analysis in this area. It looks at the roles played by ideology, politics and audiences in the making of meaning, and requires you to take a critical perspective in the analysis of specific media texts and media events.

**Representation and Textual Analysis**

**MC51007A**

4 credits [Autumn]

Focuses on the formal address of media texts in order to examine the ways in which they make meaning. Issues concerning narrative, realism, stars and image, fiction and documentary are examined with the aim of developing skills in the analysis of a range of media texts.

**Level II**

**Communications, Psychology and Experience**

**MC52003B**

4 credits [Autumn]

This course examines the place of ‘experience’ in thinking about our self-formation. It extends the usefulness of the concept of subjectivity for exploring certain themes and issues. These might include: personality and the rise of celebrity culture, the psychologisation of everyday life, emotional branding and promotional culture, mental health and the media, make-over culture, and how to begin to understand the complex relationships between sexuality, class, race and gender in relation to the performative force of communication practices such as magazines, film and television.

**Culture, Society and the Individual**

**MC52005B**

4 credits [Spring]

This course focuses on the formation of subjectivity in the context of huge social and political change and the growth of individualisation. In particular it examines the consequences of individualisation: what kind of ‘subjects’ are we now becoming? How does the ethos of individualisation operate in the context of globalisation? What does the term ‘precarious lives’ mean? What are the unequal consequences of individualisation for women, for young people, for ethnic minorities? Who are the winners and the losers of the ‘network society’? The course moves between sociology and cultural and media studies, providing plenty of opportunity to examine case studies in more depth and to engage with new research in these areas.
**Intellectual Foundations of Social Theory**

**MC52014A**

4 credits [Autumn]

Investigates central issues in social theory as they relate to questions of media, communication and culture. The course provides a theoretical map on which to locate some of the key issues confronted in media, communication and cultural studies. Each session addresses a specific cultural or media-related phenomenon that is connected to the sociological topic under discussion. We therefore investigate a range of issues, including ‘McDonaldisation’, branding, reality television, contemporary music, celebrity and spectacle, and the formation of the nation state.

The following three courses are available in the Summer term (April-June) only. In order for these courses to run, they need to have a minimum number of students. Please contact the Student Recruitment and International Office for details.

**Media Production – Journalism**

**MC50001A**

4 credits [Summer]

This course introduces the practice of contemporary journalism. You gain experience in information gathering, analysis and communication in print journalism and a wide range of professional areas. You also learn about creative and critical expression within the conventions of journalism.

**Introduction to Screen Drama Production**

**MC50002A**

4 credits [Summer]

You develop your understanding of the inter-relationship of audio-visual elements in the construction of screen narrative. You gain proficiency in the application of technologies and working practices relevant to single camera DV drama shooting and post production. You further develop your organisational, problem solving and collaborative skills appropriate to screen drama production. As part of a small group, you experience the creative development and production of a 1-3 minute cinematic-led drama.

**Writing for Film, TV and Radio (fiction)**

**MC50003A**

4 credits [Summer]

This practical course develops your skills in creating, rewriting and editing short screenplays and radio plays. You examine key topics including creativity theory, story, characterisation, dialogue, structure and theme and are guided through the process of developing an idea into a 10-minute screenplay or radio play. Workshop sessions focus on how to give and take constructive editorial suggestions.

**Level III**

**Political Economy of the Mass Media**

**MC53003A**

4 credits [Spring]

This course looks at different perspectives on the relationship between ideological and economic power, with reference to mass media. It compares culturalist interpretations with studies emphasising the role of the state, media ownership, advertising and market structures as forms of media control. We examine media representations in relation to debates over the construction and mediation of meaning and audiences’ response to these.

**Music and Creative Practice**

**MC53036B**

4 credits [Autumn]

Familiarises you with a range of influential cultural theorists whose work allows fuller understanding of current forms of cultural practice, across the arts, in writing and fiction, as well as in popular culture, and whose work also enlarges our understanding of key social and political issues of the day. By looking in detail at key themes in the work of writers including Adorno, Benjamin, Gilroy, Bourdieu, Jameson, Butler, Hall and Bhabha, the course encourages an approach which considers the importance of theory in understanding everyday life, social and cultural change, processes of sexual differentiation, processes of racialisation and aspects of visual culture.

**Public Culture and Everyday Life**

**MC53036A**

4 credits [Spring]

This examines how ‘ethnicities’ and ‘nations’ are constructed within the media. Our aim is to analyse how the media construct ‘ethnicity’ and ‘nations’ over time; to reflect on the role of the media in shaping nations and ethnicities; and to explore the ways in which formations of ethnicity and nationhood affect practices. The course introduces key concepts in Black Cultural Studies and Postcolonial Studies, including: colonial discourse, colonial fantasy, othering, hybridity and diaspora. We look at the intersection between race, ethnicity and other social relations, including gender, sexuality and class.

**Structure of Contemporary Political Communication**

**MC53021B**

4 credits [Spring]

This course examines contemporary political communication through the mass media, in its national and international contexts. Lectures explore the history of political communication, looking at questions of media ownership and regulation, party political and election broadcasts, news bias and the agenda-setting role of the media. These issues are illustrated by examples from the British, American and international political systems. Themes covered include: public opinion and the public sphere, controlling and managing news agendas, political marketing, spin, propaganda and persuasion, war and the media, celebrity politics and e-democracy.

**Media Audiences, Media Geographies**

**MC53023B**

4 credits [Spring]

This course reviews interdisciplinary perspectives on the study of media audiences and on the role of the media in constructing the postmodern geography of our world. The first section takes a macro perspective and offers a brief view of contemporary models and approaches to the study of media audiences, media effects, media powers and patterns of cultural consumption. The second section addresses questions concerning the specificity of different media and their micro-contexts and conditions of consumption. The third section examines the role of communications media in constructing the geography of our postmodern electronics landscapes.

**Music as Communication and Creative Practice**

**MC53038A**

4 credits [Autumn]

Focusing on music and sounds as forms of communication, this course emphasises how musical meanings are conveyed and understood, and how this is mediated through the cultures and technologies of production, recording and consumption. We consider how music communicates mood and meaning, not only through associated imagery and lyrical content, but as sound. We think about the processes that link production, circulation and consumption, as well as exploring the ways that music connects with individual and collective identities.

**Embodyment and Experience**

**MC53039A**

4 credits [Autumn]

Examines the place of the ‘body’ in contemporary social and cultural theory, taking a number of case studies as examples. In recent years, across a range of academic disciplines, from sociology, anthropology, cultural studies and psychology there has been a move away from approaching the body as a pre-given biological entity, to explore the ways in which cultural signs and codes mediate our relationships to our bodies. This
work has emerged for example in relation to debates about cyberspace, eating disorders, transsexuality, health and illness, the emotions, and new forms of spirituality. This course reviews these debates to explore the extent to which we need to talk about embodiment rather than the body in any fixed way.

**Cinema and Society**

**MC53045A**

4 credits [Spring]

This course looks at the rise of visual culture from the inception of cinema to the present. Beginning with the historic screening of Lumière’s Arrival of a Train in 1895, and ending with a study of the place of popular film today, we explore the ways in which the moving image has affected consciousness. We study theorists such as Epstein, Benjamin, Kracauer, Eisenstein and Bazin. Inquiry into technologies of sound, sex, and race guides us through a look at cinema in our ever-changing situation. The screening of a classic film each week aids our understanding of film history and aesthetics.

**Media Rituals**

**MC53048A**

4 credits [Autumn]

Explores how the media operate as a focus of ritual action, symbolic hierarchies, and symbolic conflict, introducing a range of theoretical perspectives and applying them to specific themes from public life. Begins with a general introduction to debates on the media’s social impacts. Key theoretical concepts are then outlined: sacred and profane, symbolic power, ritual, boundary, and liminality. Specific themes relating to the media’s contribution to public life and public space are explored: celebrity and ordinariness; fandom and media pilgrimages; media events and public ritual; mediated self-disclosure (from talk shows to the Webcam); ‘reality’ television and everyday surveillance; and the media and symbolic protest (total six lectures).

**Screen Cultures**

**MC53049A**

4 credits [Spring]

Screens are now a dominant presence and interface in culture. First, public space is characterised by screens of information, advertising and surveillance. Second, the spectacular scale of the cinematic screen is giving way to the micro screens of a personalised and mobile lifestyle. Third, the discrete identity of media objects is increasingly lost to a convergence within the computer terminal. This course explores our relationship to these transformations, the ways in which our bodies are re-positioned by screens, our modes of expression and communication are affected, and our experience of time and space is reworked. New course: subject to validation.

See also **Music** (page 48) for courses in music computing.

**Computing**

Goldsmiths’ Department of Computing focuses on the advancement of computing in many different technological areas including artificial intelligence, biology and genetics, cognitive science, computer games and entertainment, computer music, computer vision, design, digital arts, archaeology and architecture, and haptics, as well as in computer science itself. We are one of the leading departments in Europe for the combination of mainstream computing research, and its creative and innovative application in key interdisciplinary areas.

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### Level I

#### Mathematics for Computing

**IS51002A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
You explore number systems; sets and subsets; set algebra; symbolic logic and logic gates; sequences; summations; elementary counting principles; finite probability; relations and functions; matrix algebra; systems of linear equations and Gauss-Jordan reduction; and the theory of graphs and digraphs.

#### Introduction to Programming

**IS51008B**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
You are introduced to programming, using languages such as Java, Processing and Python; you don’t need any previous programming knowledge. Topics include: basic input/output; reading and writing files; simple statements; for loops; loops within loops; data structures (arrays, stacks, queues, etc); using methods; classes and inheritance; sorting; recursion.

#### Introduction to Computing and the Internet

**IS51009A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
You look at basic computing and communications skills, the fundamentals of computing – such as hardware, software, architecture and operating systems, and data storage, representation and transmissions. You consider the fundamentals of networking and the Internet: technology, protocols, standards and applications, and professional, legal and social issues.

#### Information Systems: Foundations of E-business

**IS51010A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
You learn about basic concepts for understanding systems commerce; business processes; information and communication, decision making, and different types of information systems; product, customer and competitive advantage; human and ethical issues; computer hardware; software, programming and artificial intelligence; networks and telecommunications; information systems planning; building and maintaining information systems; information system security and control; the future of information systems; and customer relationship management.

#### Introduction to Audio-visual Computing

**IS51012B**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
This course covers the technical fundamentals of computing techniques used in contemporary creative practice - with a focus on sound/music computing and computer graphics - and includes both theoretical concepts and their application to creating software. It focuses on the technical knowledge required for writing audio-visual software, but has a strong element of practical work which will include scope for creative expression. Basic sound and graphics programming is covered, including topics such as MIDI, sound waves and their properties, sound synthesis, mathematical methods (eg vectors, trigonometry). 2D computer graphics, image processing, animation, interactive graphics and sound.

#### Introduction to Creative Practice

**IS51013A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
You are expected to have some interest in graphics and/or sound, moving image, games. You are introduced to a wide range of industry standard tools for generating and handling content in areas of sound, music, still image, video, gaming, internet and digital arts. You are presented with a broad range of exemplar approaches, and are encouraged to begin developing your own creative practice in web, video, interactive media, sound, music and gaming.

### Level II

#### Problem Solving using Creative Programming and Website Design

**IS52013B**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
Prerequisite: introductory knowledge of Java.

In this course you learn the importance of creativity in the specification, design and implementation of software using an Object Oriented language such as Java. In particular you learn Object Oriented techniques for developing your software, starting with a specification, through design, implementation and testing. Appropriate data-structures are presented and used to provide solutions to the particular specialised practical problems at hand. You also learn how to implement basic graphical user interfaces using Object Oriented techniques and event-driven programming, as well as aspects of internet programming, including interaction with a database server.

#### Data Communications and Enterprise Networks

**IS52016A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
Prerequisite: basic knowledge of Computing.

You explore data communications and enterprise networks, their associated technology, protocols and standards, and the design and management of these networks.

### Software Projects: Software Engineering and Research Methods

**IS52018A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
Prerequisite: introductory general knowledge of Computing.

You are introduced to software development methods, and software design in UML. You learn about principles of good software design, software development life-cycle, the role of design and modelling in software development. You are introduced to project management and planning, and developing research methods.

#### Introduction to Interactive Applications and Website Design

**IS52019A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
Prerequisite: none.

The course aims to provide you with an understanding of client-side online applications and the fundamentals of good website usability and accessibility practice. It introduces XHTML, JavaScript, Ajax, online applications, Web 2.0, accessibility, usability and the issues arising from the above, as well as the Document Object Model. It also discusses changes in Web usage over time.

### Creative Computing 2

**IS52020A**
- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]
Prerequisite: introductory knowledge of Processing language.

You learn the essentials of perception: how the physical phenomena of light and sound are related to our experiences of colour, motion, melody, harmony and rhythm. You are taught the Octave programming environment, to treat images and sounds as signals, and to implement transformations and filters as linear systems. You then go on to see the application of knowledge of human perception and of signal processing to the construction of multimedia.
databases and retrieval of information from collections of multimedia.

**Database Systems**

**IS52021A**

- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

**Prerequisite:** basic knowledge of Computing.

First you are introduced to databases, then you consider: database modelling, the Relational Model and Algebra SQL; physical design; modern database systems (Extended Relational, Object-oriented); advanced database systems (Active, Deductive, Parallel, Distributed, Federated); and database functionality and services.

**Intermediate Creative Practice**

**IS52023A**

- 4 credits [Autumn]
- 8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

**Prerequisite:** none.

Introduces a wide range of industry standard tools for generating and handling content in areas of sound, music, still image, video, gaming, internet and digital arts. You are presented with a broad range of exemplar approaches, and are encouraged to begin developing your own creative practice in web, video, interactive media, sound, music and gaming. You engage with contemporary theoretical and aesthetic ideas in your own project work, whilst developing an understanding of project development and management concepts.

**Level III**

**Neural Networks**

**IS53002A**

- 4 credits [Autumn]

**Prerequisite:** basic knowledge of Computer Science.

Introduces the theory and practice of neural computation. Covers the principles of neurocomputing with artificial neural networks widely used for addressing real-world problems such as classification, regression, pattern recognition, data mining, time-series prediction. We look at two main topics: supervised and unsupervised learning. We study supervised learning using linear perceptrons, and non-linear models such as probabilistic neural networks, multilayer perceptrons, and radial-basis function networks. Unsupervised learning is studied using Kohonen networks. We provide contemporary training techniques for all these neural networks, and knowledge and tools for the specification, design, and practical implementation of neural networks.

**Data Compression**

**IS53010A**

- 4 credits [Autumn]

**Prerequisite:** basic knowledge of Computer Science.

You are presented with important issues of data compression, and have the opportunity to learn a variety of data compression techniques commonly used for multimedia, conventional computers and networks. By studying compression algorithms for symbolic data, programmes, sound, images, graphics and multimedia, you learn to use your knowledge of compression and enhance your skills in problem solving and programming. Topics include: minimum redundancy coding, data compression and information theory, adaptive Huffman coding, arithmetic coding, statistical modelling, dictionary-based compression, image compression, audio compression and video compression.

**Decision Support and Executive Information Systems**

**IS53006A**

- 4 credits [Spring]

**Prerequisite:** introductory general knowledge of Computing.

Aims to study the nature of business decision making in the context of the support that can now be provided by Information Technology. The course includes: the nature of decision making, the use of information by the decision-maker, the concept of decision support, models of Decision Support Systems, review of classes of software: text-oriented (WP, Outlining, Hypertext etc), data-oriented (spreadsheets, data managers, financial management, quantitative analysis), graphics-oriented (desktop publishing, business graphics, presentation managers), other products (eg Expert System Shells, Executive Information Systems, etc). The course offers a study of actual systems, and illustrates the concepts above with appropriate case studies.

**User Interface Design**

**IS53008A**

- 4 credits [Spring]

**Prerequisite:** none.

The success of a computer system often depends on how easily the user can learn to use the interface. One of the most important current developments is using good design to enhance the ability of the non-expert to understand the interface of desktop computers, laptops, PDAs, mobile phones, and so on. This course focuses on how to design and evaluate effective interfaces covering functional and technical issues as well as psychological and human aspects.

**Electronic Commerce**

**IS53013A**

- 4 credits [Autumn]

**Prerequisite:** basic knowledge of Computing.

Aims to familiarise you with current and emerging electronic commerce technologies using the Internet. You are equipped with a detailed understanding of the major issues regarding the deployment of Internet technologies within and between organisations. Topics include Internet technology for business advantage, managing electronic commerce funds transfer, reinventing the future of business through electronic commerce, business opportunities in electronic commerce, electronic commerce website design, and business plans for technology ventures. The course aims to educate a new generation of managers, planners, analysts, and programmers for electronic commerce.

**Mathematical Modelling in Management Science**

**IS53014A**

- 4 credits [Autumn]

**Prerequisite:** basic knowledge of Mathematics (Algebra).

This course aims to show you how mathematical models are used to help decision making, by introducing a range of techniques to solve management problems. You gain experience of how problems arising from commerce and industry can be solved using a spreadsheet. You study algorithms for solving simple network problems, including transportation and project scheduling. The following topics are tackled: purpose and methodology of mathematical modelling -
### Internet Programming in Java

**ISS5022A**  
4 credits [Spring]  
Prerequisite: knowledge of Java.  
You are taught the necessary background information to understand how computers communicate across the Internet. You are introduced to the underlying principles of client-server computing systems and you gain the required conceptual understanding, knowledge and skills to enable you to produce simple web-based computing systems in Java.

### Algorithms Design and Analysis

**ISS5025A**  
4 credits [Spring]  
Prerequisite: previous practice of a programming language.  
The course introduces the subject of Computer Algorithms Design with gentle analysis, and covers topics in both theory and practice. You study various techniques in design of algorithms and learn the issues of computational complexity, especially efficiency and intractability of computer algorithms. You also develop your programming skills in solving practical problems.

### Data Mining

**ISS5023B**  
4 credits [Spring]  
Prerequisite: basic knowledge of Databases.  
You are introduced to concepts, techniques, and systems of data warehousing and data mining. You are given hands-on experience using existing software.

### Enterprise Networking

**ISS5026A**  
4 credits [Spring]  
Prerequisite: knowledge of Data Communications.  
You consider the use of enterprise networks in meeting business requirements and the management of these networks.

### Artistic Intelligence

**ISS50024A**  
4 credits [Spring]  
Prerequisite: introductory knowledge of Computer Science.  
This course provides an introduction to symbolic approaches to Artificial Intelligence, and complements the Neural Networks course. It covers: agent architectures and other application paradigms; reflex, goal-based and utility-based agents; communicating agents; deductive databases and expert systems; robotics and subsumption architectures; knowledge representation, ontologies and reasoning; inheritance-based formalisms; formal logic and proof methods; reasoning with uncertainty; examples of application domains such as the Semantic Web and medical informatics; search techniques for problem solving; blind search; heuristic search; comparison of search methods in terms of tractability, complexity, optimality; natural language; syntax; semantics.

### Innovative Audiovisual Processing

**ISS5027A**  
4 credits [Spring]  
Prerequisite: introductory knowledge of Computing including a programming language such as Java or C.  
This course aims to enhance skills and experience in the development of software for the creation and manipulation of sounds and images, both in real and non-real time. It extends the principles of creative engineering for use in arts, games and more general interaction scenarios so that you can develop your own projects through the use of computational approaches to audiovisual processing. The course details the key similarities and differences between sound and image signal processing through the exploration of combined audiovisual approaches, with particular reference to audiovisual perception and cognition. The course content is delivered through a range of programming languages including MaxMSP/Pure Data, Java, C and C++.

### Physical Computing

**ISS5030A**  
4 credits [Autumn]  
Prerequisite: introductory knowledge of programming.  
Physical Computing is of increasing interest to artists, musicians, choreographers and other creative practitioners for the creation of novel artworks and for forms of computational interaction between these objects and people. The focus of this course is the interface between the digital and the analogue. This study encompasses basic physics, electronics, programming and software engineering. The practical objective is the development of skills needed for designing and building interactive physical devices. The course is taught through seminars and practical sessions oriented around the popular Arduino chip and development environment.
Advanced Graphics and Animation

IS53032A

4 credits [Autumn]

Prerequisite: introductory general knowledge of Computing.

Covers major contemporary graphics and animation techniques. You are given the mathematical foundations of the subject as well as other theoretical foundations such as perceptual theories. These theoretical aspects are taught in the context of their practical use. You are introduced to some industry standard graphics software tools so that you are familiar with how they work, but the main focus is on programming the graphical software. The course covers advanced 2D and particularly 3D techniques, in a range of topics such as: 3D modelling and texturing, rendering, lighting, animation, hardware acceleration in graphics, and applications areas such as recreating historical environments.

Creative & Cultural Entrepreneurship

Goldsmiths’ Institute for Creative & Cultural Entrepreneurship (ICCE) provides enterprise education to the creative and cultural sectors, and supports research into new approaches to business and financial models in the creative economy. It offers a range of academic programmes, and presents activities and events to promote an environment in which creative and cultural entrepreneurship can flourish. Our approach is to integrate entrepreneurship within the development of creative practices, and to take a creative approach to the development of new businesses and the infrastructure that supports them.

ICCE believes that entrepreneurship is the creation of social, aesthetic or financial value, and that when entrepreneurial activity is strong these three strands are interwoven.

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Levels II and III

Creative London

Code to be confirmed

4 credits [Spring] or 2 credits [Summer] (tutorial course)

VO Creative London looks at one of the world’s most important centres for culture and creativity. The course explores the work of some of the city’s key galleries, theatres, arts organisations and events. We examine their background, looking to the major social, cultural and political factors that have influenced their change and development, leading to their place and role in today’s creative economy. There are site visits to theatres, exhibitions, arts organisations and events. New course: subject to validation.

Social Enterprise London

Code to be confirmed

4 credits [Summer] or 2 credits [Summer] (tutorial course)

VO Explores the rise and success of social enterprises in recent history: their origins, aims and ambitions; how and what difference they have made to society, the community and the culture of London. The course includes a broad range of site visits and practical case studies of organisations. This will allow you to experience first hand the range, breadth and quality of social enterprise work that London organisations produce, and to place their subject studies in an historical and cultural context. New course: subject to validation.
The Department of Design represents a unique combination of knowledge and skills including interdisciplinary design, design futures, eco-design and design education in schools. Our programmes address both the understanding and the practice of design in the educational, social, technological, and economic development of people, environments and communities.

The Department has a suite of general manufacturing workshops for modelling and making, in a broad range of rigid, flexible and mouldable materials (including a laser cutter and a starch modeller). There is a dedicated computing suite enabling 2D, 3D, media, multimedia and CAD/CAM design works. All students also have studio space.

### Course groupings

#### Design A

**16 credits [Autumn]**

This set of courses includes: Design Practice (8 credits), Design Methods and Processes with Technical Studies (4 credits), and Design Context (4 credits).

See right for details of Design Practice, and Design Methods and Processes with Technical Studies. Design Context is a set of two lecture series from the Autumn term options; see the Autumn term course descriptions, right, for more detail.

#### Design B

**16 credits [Spring]**

Prerequisite: completing ‘Design A’ first is preferable.

This set of courses includes Design Practice (8 credits), Design Methods and Processes with Technical Studies (4 credits), and Design Context (4 credits).

See right for details of Design Practice, and Design Methods and Processes with Technical Studies. Design Context 1 is a set of two lecture series from the Spring term; see the Spring term course descriptions, right, for more detail.

#### Combined Design A and Design B

**16+16 credits [Autumn and Spring]**

Design B builds on the skills developed in Design A. We would encourage you to do both, but if you only pick one set, it is preferable to select Design A.

### Practice-based courses

If you are applying for a practice course in Design, you must include with your application appropriate documentation showing your current art or design work (including sketchbooks). We advise you to send a digital portfolio that could consist of the following: Powerpoint slides, photographs, DVDs and CDs, in both Mac and PC formats. Mark your work clearly with your full name, full postal address, a contact telephone number, and an indication of the size and media of each piece. We also recommend you to include notes to clarify the content of your work as well as any other information you think might be relevant. Please ensure that you pack everything securely, as Goldsmiths cannot accept responsibility for the loss or damage of any work submitted with your application. Please see ‘Returning your work’ on page 81.
### Individual courses

#### Design Practice

**DS51009B**

- **8 credits [Autumn]**
- **8 credits [Spring]**

Design Practice is a studio-based activity. You will need to want to work conceptually in a variety of media. Your work will focus on developing your creative processes, which can be applied to many areas of design. The course helps students from different areas – including graphic communication, three-dimensional and interaction design – appreciate other disciplines as well as developing their own thinking. The projects invite you to question current notions of design and to develop new levels of problem solving, idea generation and realisation. You will produce a broad-based conceptual portfolio in which you present the scope as well as the depth of your thinking.

#### Design Methods and Processes with Technical Studies

**DS51015A**

- **4 credits [Autumn]**

This is a series of practical and reflective sessions in the studio and workshop, available only to those students who opt for full term sets of courses in Design. Sessions cover areas including drawing and sketching in the design process, research methods for designers, modelling ideas in paper and card, and the study of creative methods and processes. There is also a set of practical workshops that develop your skills to use in design, from working in our workshop to using design software. These workshops vary depending on current requirements.

### Autumn term

#### Design Context (Autumn) 1

**DS51012B**

- **4 credits [Autumn]**

This is a set of two lecture series:

**Design and Meaning (Part 1)**

In the Autumn term you study Context and Psychology, which examines ideas of the self and develops issues of cognitive and creative development whilst exploring concepts of the individual. Through a series of lectures and practical exercises you are encouraged to explore the ways in which semiotics can play a critical role in your work.

**Ecology and Design**

This course draws from a wide range of disciplines to provide insights into the complex and far-reaching environmental and social implications of design decisions. It places this work in the context of the industrial economy and emerging ideas related to sustainable design. Various critiques of current development paths are examined, and alternatives discussed. Concepts of eco design are explored in detail and you are encouraged to find new ways of working which consider the environment and the ability of present and future generations to meet their material needs.

### Design Context (Autumn) 2

**DS51012B**

- **4 credits [Autumn]**

This is a set of two lecture series:

**Society and Culture**

You focus on what is meant by ‘society and culture’. The concepts of society, culture and technology are developed through the study of ‘Robots, Superheroes and Science Fiction’.

**Material Culture**

This course introduces you to the idea of design activity in relation to everyday culture. It demonstrates how design is fundamentally connected to the social and political context within which it operates, rather than being an autonomous sphere of activity. The course concentrates on a branch of anthropology that has become known as the study of ‘material culture’. It comes from an understanding of design that draws upon a number of interconnected academic disciplines, including sociology, philosophy, linguistics, psychology, and anthropology.

### Spring term

#### Design Context (Spring) 1

**DS51012C**

- **4 credits [Spring]**

This is a set of two lecture series:

**Histories and Theories**

This course provides a thematic outline of the development of design from the 19th to 21st centuries. You study the history of design in terms of its changing principles, foundations, ideas and context for design. You consider the major theories that have been advanced in order to explain the development of design practice.

**Design and Meaning (Part 2)**

In this course you study semiotics and examine a number of formal elements and structures that influence the grammar of visual elements and structures that influence the grammar of visual. Through a series of lectures and practical exercises you are encouraged to explore the ways in which semiotics can play a critical role in your work.

#### Design Context (Spring) 2

**DS51012C**

- **2 credits [Spring]**

**Ethics and Sustainability**

This lecture series asks why the ethical stances of designers, the moral features of the design process, and the value-laden nature of various objects and images, are important in design. The course uses a number of critical perspectives to investigate the complex nature of these stances and features, and it examines how they feed into practice. Though a series of lectures and practical exercises you are encouraged to explore the ways in which your personal ethical beliefs play a critical role in your work. This course also explores how design can contribute to sustainable development. It examines in detail a range of core sustainable design principles based on current research and practice.
Drama and Theatre Arts

Drama at Goldsmiths focuses on theorised practice. We carry out our research as much through practice-based projects as through theorisations of performance and explorations of textual practice. We aim to make work in a variety of media that reflects on and contributes to innovation in contemporary production and performance practice. Our own theatre has seating for 160 and is used for both teaching and public performances. We also have three performance studios; scenic, sound and costume workshops; and design studio facilities.

Visual design, sound and video courses are taught in our own studios, supported by the College’s excellent editing facilities. The Department’s academic staff are assisted by a team of four experienced technicians.

In the Summer term you can choose to do two additional credits in any of the non-practical areas through a negotiated individual study supported by some tutorial guidance. Your area of study must be confirmed by the Student Recruitment and International Office. You must also tell the International Liaison Tutor what topics you are interested in so that appropriate tutorial guidance can be arranged and agreed. Your study should be confirmed by Week 6 of the Spring term.

Where 4+4 credits is indicated, you cannot study the course for the Spring term only. Where ‘full year only’ appears in the course description, you must be enrolled for the whole year to study that course.

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London attracts over 27 million overnight visitors each year, making it the world’s most popular city destination.

London Theatre

You undertake a thorough, practical and critical examination of selected plays from the Shakespearean canon and the work of his contemporaries, looking at theatre visits and videos as examples of Shakespeare on the stage and in film. There are visits to sites of relevance to Shakespeare’s work in London and Stratford.

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Analytic Vocabularies

You explore methods of performance analysis, examining some of the significant theoretical frameworks for the analysis of Western performance. Using critical tools, you identify creative processes and outcomes in the light of the theories of key practitioners. You evaluate performance texts from different media, and distinguish

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Performance Analysis: Contemporary Performance in London

You are introduced to the wide diversity of theatre in London from the major subsidised companies, through the commercial West End to smaller fringe venues and productions. Weekly visits to new or recent events in the capital are introduced with a critical context and are discussed the following week within seminar groups.

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British and American Musical Theatre

This course aims to explore the musical as the predominant form of popular theatre in the 20th century. Background lectures and seminars introduce you to the history and aesthetics of the form. By examining and reviewing a selection of shows in detail, you learn to analyse and assess the contribution of various artists to the success of a show and to the evolution of the genre as a whole.

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how history and culture influence contemporary theatre-making.

Theatre Making I: Summer Projects

DR51005A/Su
4 credits [Summer]
Prerequisite: Theatre Making: Process and Performance, DR5101A.

The Summer term project is an opportunity for you to explore theatre making in a creative and inventive fashion, within defined parameters and a constructively critical framework. You work in groups, prepare performance projects and present your work to other students. This project develops work you have done in DR5101A, and takes on the quality of a festival.

Level II

Performance Theory and Practice

DR52016A
4 credits [Autumn]
4+4 credits [Summer and Spring]

In this combined lecture/seminar/laboratory course, you investigate the major forms of 20th-century Western theatre performance. You explore ways in which various practices have been theorised and, conversely, the way performance theories have been translated into practice. Recently taught five-week options include Stanislavski; Psychological Realism; Apoll and Craig; the Actor as Sculptor/Sculpture; Michael Chekhov: Imagination and Physical Characterisation; and Brechtian Strategies.

Elements of Theatre History

DR52017A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You develop an understanding of the relationship between a work and its historical – social, cultural, intellectual – context. There is a wide range of options from which you choose a 10-week course of study. These options could include such subjects as: French theatre; Shakespeare and Renaissance drama; Irish theatre and politics; Greek theatre; Spanish and Catalan theatre; and African theatre. Options may change from year to year, depending on staff availability and research interests.

Theatre Making II

DR52018A
10 credits [Full year only]

You focus on the acquisition and development of performance-making skills in this practical course. You develop your ability in areas such as: performing, scenographic design, lighting design, sound design, stage management, and dramaturgy. These skills are developed over the full year towards the creation of a performed event in the Summer term.

Please state your preferred area of interest on your application.

Modernisms and Postmodernity A+B

DR52019A
10 credits [Full year only]

In the Autumn term, you are provided with an introduction to key aspects of modern and postmodern thought, culture and theatre. The course aims to explore the historical and cultural contexts of its topic while at the same time examining the theoretical and cultural ideas and practices which have been seen as modernist and postmodern.

In the Spring term, you choose one 10-week option course. These options are designed to extend the study of modernism and/or postmodernity through a sustained engagement with a particular range of material. To give you examples, recent specialist topics were: Postcolonial Theatre; Brecht and Political Theatre; the Artistic Avant Garde, and Contemporary Women Practitioners. Options are likely to change from year to year, depending on staff availability and research interests.

Space-body-spectator

DR51007B
4 credits [Autumn]
4+4 credits [Summer and Spring]

You are introduced to the three essential elements of performance – space, body and spectator – via theory and practice. You focus on the body in intensive workshop training sessions and frame this study in theoretical lectures and seminars. You develop your own performance material for assessment using the methodologies introduced, giving short theatre-based performances in the Autumn term and working on site-specific group projects in the Spring term. Teaching approaches draw on European and non-Western sources.

Theatre Making: Design and Technologies

DR51010A
4 credits [Autumn]

You are introduced in practical ways to the principles and techniques of theatre-making. The course gives you a practical introduction to two of the following areas: lighting design, sound design, scenography, and stage management.

Level III

Acting in London

DR50002A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This practical course develops your acting skills and introduces you to methods of actor-training and modes of performance in the UK. You meet for an intensive session each week and present your work in a final workshop performance at the end of term. Through the study of plays currently in production on the London stage, you are encouraged to explore contemporary issues of cultural and political significance unique to the UK. Acting in London provides you with an artistic and academic challenge related directly to your experience of living in a foreign city. This course is taught by our Department of Professional and Community Education.

Culture and Performance: Critical Cultural Theory

DR53033A
4 credits [Spring]

You approach the study of performance within a culturally diverse society. Lectures and seminars introduce you to a range of art practices and theoretical issues in the field of multi-cultural performance, including cross-culturalism, interculturalism, interchange and globalisation. This course is a prerequisite for Culture and Performance: Options.

Culture and Performance: Options

DR53034A
4 credits [Spring]

Prerequisite: Culture and Performance: Critical Cultural Theory, DR53033A.

You choose a 10-week seminar option which contextualises the theories and discourses studied in Culture and Performance A. For example, options offered recently were: ‘The Void’, ‘Emptiness’ and Spectatorship in Japanese Art; Voicing the Margins; and Translation Across Languages, Cultures and Genres.
Educational Studies

The Department of Educational Studies is one of the largest in the College and plays a major part in life at Goldsmiths. The preparation of teachers is central to the origins and early history of Goldsmiths and the Department proudly continues this tradition. However, ‘education’ is about so much more than teacher education, and the Department’s portfolio of courses from undergraduate through to doctoral level reflects this. The size of the Department has enabled a team of staff to be assembled, which is diverse in both its areas of expertise and its research interests, and a significant number have international reputations in their fields.

Goldsmiths’ commitment to engagement with its wider community is reflected in individual members of staff’s involvement with creative and social projects beyond the lecture and seminar rooms.

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examination and exploration of language, language diversity, texts, literacy and learning, and educational policy developments.

**Early Childhood in a Diverse Society**

EDS52024A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You explore current ideas and contrasting theoretical approaches as well as policy developments affecting young children and their families. You examine different aspects of young children’s learning. There is a focus on children’s personal, social and emotional learning, as well as on cultural and linguistic development and the role of play in their learning. You also have an opportunity to become more familiar with different approaches to curriculum and policy, and to explore the legacy of different traditions and approaches to young children and learning in the UK and beyond.

**Culture and the Construction of Identity**

EDS52025A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You are given the opportunity to examine a range of theories on culture and identity drawn from a range of disciplines. The particular focus of this course is the use of autobiography and life histories as methods for exploring cultures and identities. The aim of doing this is to provide you with the theoretical lens through which to investigate complex issues – such as diaspora, syncretism, masculinities and femininities – which are central to the notions of culture and identity. The process of identity construction is explored in relation to education policy and practice, and the course also addresses the interrelationship between the child’s identity and the culture of the school.

**New Media Technologies and Learning**

EDS52026A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You study how movies are made, focusing on all the different aspects which combine to create the viewer’s experience. You spend time working in a group to create and edit a short moving image and study some theoretical aspects of film making. Elements related to a variety of contemporary media and creativity are studied, as well as educational aspects of these.

**Performing Arts in the Community**

EDS52027A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You explore the Performing Arts in relation to both the plastic arts (eg sculpture, painting and writing) and issues of culture, community and identity. The course examines the complex and contested terms ‘performance’ and ‘community’ across a range of disciplines within the social sciences and the arts. You examine the influence of the performing arts on everyday life. The course takes a broad view of the performing arts but concentrates on theatre, music and dance. This includes an overview of the history of performance and an examination of the main theories of 20th-century drama practitioners. You consider the relationship between performance and play and ritual, and its potential for subversion and creating alternative viewpoints.

**Introduction to Teaching English as Foreign Language to Adults**

EDS52031A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You are introduced to the theoretical background to Second Language Learning with particular reference to English. You develop an overview of how language operates, and of learning and teaching theory and how it is related to the classroom, with particular reference to communicative and post-communicative approaches to teaching.

**Studies in Exclusion and Inclusion**

EDS52034A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

This course takes a case study approach to key theoretical ideas in inclusion and exclusion, with a focus on the experiences of young people. You explore the context of inclusion and exclusion in relation to issues such as people who are refugees and asylum seekers; those concerned with faith and religion; language and plurilingualism; gender and sexuality and Autism/Asperger’s Syndrome. The course includes opportunities for discussions with people working in some of these areas.

**Language, Power and Identity**

EDS53021A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You will examine in depth the relationship between language, culture and identity. You develop a critical understanding of the influence that shapes our sense of self and particularly the pivotal role of language in constructing identities and determining potential opportunities and constraints. You have the opportunity to consider the nature of language, language development; home and community practices; standard English, dialect; school practice; language and gender; bilingualism and bi-literacy and the representations of these through a range of media and policy issues.

**Digital Media Cultures**

EDS53019A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You consider the issues raised in the previous course unit New Media Technologies and Learning at a higher level. This involves engaging with concepts from a wide range of disciplines. There is an examination of literature around media output and multi-modal discourse. The current discourse around creativity and new technology is described and explored within the context of digital media. The manner in which new media texts may have the potential to address differing learning styles in different educational contexts is considered. This is considered in relation to creativity as an aspect of human activity and cognition. In turn, this argument is developed in the light of work on social psychology, communities of practice, culture and identity.

**Visual Arts: Studio Practice**

EDS53022A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You will experience sustained practice in art production in an agreed area of personal interest. Through first-hand experience you will develop your own practice within the social context of studio working. Seminar explorations of critical theory will inform the interpretations undertaken.

**Perspectives on Current Educational Policies**

EDS53020B

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You will explore issues that have been touched on in previous modules such as consumer choice in education and the involvement of the private sector. Taking the 1988 Education Reform Act as a starting point, the course will examine policies that reflect particular dominant discourses which have been taken up by people in contested and contradictory ways. Typical areas of focus will be educational leadership, initial teacher education, school choice, the teaching of creationism in science, and special educational needs. These will be in the English context but will include some international comparative perspectives.
International Perspectives on Early Childhood

EDS3023A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You explore the developing range of provision for under-eights, and the divergence in provision between the regions of the United Kingdom. The course will also explore the different curriculum approaches and types of provision for under-eights in Europe, Scandinavia, New Zealand and North America. The course will evaluate critically the reliability, validity and significance of instruments designed as measures of quality in international studies of early childhood services. You will be able to reflect on the impact of theory and practice on the provision of services for under-eight’s in a range of contexts, and able to make an informed argument for a set of guiding principles for provision for under-eights in one country within or outside the UK.

Education and Empowerment: Creating Change

EDS3026A

4 credits [Autumn]
8 credits [Autumn and Spring]

You will examine both macro and micro level policies and practices that can lead to educational empowerment. The main areas of focus will be the ‘funds of knowledge’ that are engendered by the family and its role in supporting learners; education in citizenship and social justice which has brought awareness of rights (and responsibilities) and the complexities of concepts such as identity, community and belonging. Initiatives such as restorative justice in schools will also be examined and the encouragement of pupil voice that can be utilised to facilitate access and engagement with education.
In the Summer term you can choose to do 2 additional credits of project work related to courses studied in the Spring term. This work is negotiated individual study supported by some tutorial guidance. You should inform your home university and the Student Recruitment and International Office at Goldsmiths of the agreed topic once it has been confirmed. Once you have decided on topics you are interested in studying, your International Liaison tutor can help make the appropriate arrangements for tutorial guidance. You should aim to confirm these details by week 6 of the Spring term.

The following is a list of representative courses offered by the Department of English and Comparative Literature. Most, though not all, will be offered in 2011-12. In addition to the full-year courses listed, the Department also offers a number of half-year courses at Level III. Different subjects are addressed from year to year, and the schedule for 2011-12 will not be set until the spring of 2011. Half-courses offered in recent sessions have included: Language and Gender (EN53362A), The Outsider in Shakespeare (EN53376A), Writing the European City (EN53379A), The Classic Fairy Tale (EN53381A), and American Crime Fiction (EN53383A). Visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad for up-to-date information on available courses.

See also Professional and Community Education: Cultural and Social Studies (page 59) for other courses in this subject. Language Proficiency courses (English, French, Spanish) are on pages 47.

Level Description
Level I a course for which you do not need any previous experience
Level II assumes that you have had some experience in this area or have already followed a similar academic course
Level III assumes a specialist knowledge of the practical data or a willingness to engage in responsible individual study under tutorial guidance


English

Level I

Explorations in Literature
ENS1001A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
You are introduced to a wide range of works of poetry, prose and drama, from Homer (in translation) through to late 20th-century writing. Close reading in seminars supports a series of background and critical lectures.

Approaches to Text
ENS1002A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
This is an introduction to the skills required in the analysis of literary texts. Through a series of interrelated lectures and seminars, you explore different ways of understanding what a ‘text’ is, what significance it might have, and what aspects of a text are interesting or useful to investigate.

The Short Story
ENS1004A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
You study short stories and tales from various literatures and periods. You examine examples of the importance and development of the genre through the study of texts taken from different national traditions. You also study classical sub-genres such as the tale of terror; consider the uses of the short story in diverse areas of 20th-century literature; undertake single-author studies of masters of the short story such as Edgar Allan Poe and Jorge Luis Borges; and evaluate examples of how to analyse short narrative texts.

Cultural Studies

Level II

European Cinema
ELS2280A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
This course focuses on the various ‘new cinemas’ in Europe after 1945 and analyses a number of key films which reflect changing attitudes to contemporary European society and shifting notions of European identity.

Engaging Poetry
ENS1007B
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
This course introduces a range of poetic forms in English from the early modern period to the present. Chronological issues blend with more individualised approaches to
the reading and understanding of poetry. The course consolidates your engagement with both the critical and practical appreciation of poetry and is supported by the participation of the Department’s creative practitioners.

**Level II**

**Literature of the Later Middle Ages: Society and the Individual**

**EN52201A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

An introduction to English literature of the later Middle Ages within a broad historical and cultural context. Selected texts are used to map shifts in literary technique, genre, attitudes to women, and the uses of Arthurian myth. Literary topics include the nature of allegory and satire, and the beast fable as genre.

**The Victorians**

**EN52203A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You study typical literary forms and leading writers of the Victorian period (1837-1901). Major issues of the period include the condition of England, faith and doubt, social change and reform, and the conflict between science and religious faith. You consider these through works by Brontë, Dickens, Eliot, Hardy and others.

**Moderns**

**EN52204A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

The course develops your understanding of the literature and culture of the Modern period from 1920, and strengthens your abilities in literary analysis. Through a close reading of representative texts you explore the historical and critical contexts within which modern writers strove to ‘make it new’ in poetry, fiction and drama.

**Old English**

**EN52209A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This is an introduction to the language and literature of the Anglo-Saxons, with consideration of a variety of themes and genres, including history, lyric, mythology, poetic elegy and romance.

**Shakespeare**

**EN52211A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

A chronological exploration of Shakespeare’s works, studied through close reading of the texts. Reference is made to the works’ social and intellectual contexts, and comparisons are developed between different works and groups of works.

**Studies in Literature and Politics**

**EN5219A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

In this interdisciplinary course you study English history between 1640 and 1750, from the run-up to the outbreak of civil war until the defeat of the Jacobite forces at the Battle of Culloden. You consider how selected texts (such as the political writings of Marvell, Milton, Rochester and Dryden, as well as the work of Defoe, Swift, Pope and Fielding) relate to the political history and thought of the period, and investigate ways in which literature not only reflects but confirms and modifies ideology.

**Restoration and Eighteenth-Century Literature**

**EN52225A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This course covers the prose, poetry and drama of the Restoration and eighteenth century, with emphasis on the Restoration comic stage, English satire in prose and verse, the rise of the novel, and the poetry of nature and imagination. Writers include Behn, Rochester, Swift, Pope, Fielding and Sterne.

**Sensibility and Romanticism: Revolutions in Writing and Society**

**EN52226A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You explore representative poems, novels and non-fictional prose of the late 18th and early 19th centuries, involving the literature of Sensibility, the Gothic novel, Romantic poetry and its contemporary criticism.

**Literature of the English Renaissance**

**EN52227A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

An introduction to multiple forms of writing, from the mid-16th to the late 17th century, providing detailed analysis of selected texts considered in their social and intellectual contexts. Topics of special interest include Elizabethan lyric poetry, Renaissance humanism, non-Shakespearean drama, metaphysical poets, and the Civil War.

**Varieties of English**

**EN52230A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You explore how and why language is used differently in a variety of contexts. You examine language in relation to region, gender, ethnicity, age and social class. You study various examples of spoken and written language, and examine the role of literature and the media in representing language variation.

**Inventing the Nation: American Literature in the Mid-19th Century**

**EN52238B**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

The main aim of this course is to cover one of the most productive and significant periods in American literature. Major authors of the period are situated in the context of key themes in political, social, intellectual and cultural history. You look at some of the important intellectual and literary movements of the period, including extended study of Transcendentalism, slave literature by both black and white writers, women’s writing and literature of the West.

**Classic European Drama: Orthodoxy and Transgression**

**EN52273A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Explores European drama from the Classical Age to the Enlightenment, via a range of approaches to conflicts between divine or political authority and human claims to self-assertion and freedom; submission to orthodoxy; co-existence of orthodoxy and humanism; reconciliation of autonomy and theonomy; and the demise of divine law. The course introduces you to epoch-specific overlaps and tensions between religious and positive law, divine and human reason, feeling and understanding. We examine a selection of dramatic texts which negotiate the significance of conflicts between protagonists (male and female) and the divine or state in ways typical of key stages in the European history of ideas.

**Level III**

**Modern American Fiction**

**EN53308A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

A study of selected works from the 1930s to the present, considered in their historical and cultural contexts. The course includes some of the recognised landmarks of American fiction and drama, along with more ‘marginal’ works, reflecting the diverse voices of American cultures and subcultures.

**The Novel**

**EN53312A**

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You discuss selected novelists from Cervantes to Calvino, and study representative landmarks of realism as well as later modernist and postmodernist novels. You consider theoretical problems of narrative voice, strategy, character and mimesis.
Caribbean Women Writers

EN53317A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You focus on the work of Afro-Caribbean and Indo-Caribbean women writers. By way of comparison you also refer to the writings of black women around the world. In your coursework you can choose to develop this comparison with a non-Caribbean black or other ethnic minority woman writer.

Gender and Power in Chaucer

EN53336A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Attending to relevant medieval power structures, this course considers how Chaucer’s writings articulate the use and abuse of power, and in particular how they explore gender relations as power relations. Principal texts include selections from Canterbury Tales and Troilus and Criseyde.

Oedipus: Myths, Tragedies and Theories

EN53318A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This course explores the myths, dramas and theories surrounding Oedipus and Antigone. The first term is devoted to versions of the Oedipus myth produced in classical Greece and Rome and in England before the 20th century; the second term focuses on post-Freudian adaptations of the legend in the 20th century, on stage and screen.

Modern Poetry

EN53333A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Modern Poetry in Britain and America traces the diverse course of post-war poetries from these countries. The first term focuses on Britain and includes study of Auden, Larkin, Hughes, Heaney, Dunn, McGuckian, Nichols, Muldoon, Duffy and Johnson. The second term focuses on America and includes Williams, Stein, McKay, Olsen, Creeley, Ginsberg, O’Hara, Ashbery, Plath, Baraka, and Hejinian.

The Emergence of Modern America: American Literature 1890-1940

EN53339A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Covers the period from the closing of the frontier in America to the eve of the Second World War; a period that saw mass immigration and urban growth, the crash of 1929 and the Great Depression. Through a selection of poetry and fiction, the course traces some major themes: the literary and cultural move from Naturalism to Modernism, the Harlem Renaissance, American Feminism, Expatriate writers and the cult of the Lost Generation, Regionalism, Documentarism and the emergence of an American poetic vernacular. The course is lecture- seminar-based; lectures examine the relation of visual arts, music and cinema to literature of the period.

Postcolonial Literatures in English

EN53342A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

An analysis of the literature and culture produced in the aftermath of, and in response to, the end of European colonialism. You address representations of colonialism and decolonisation, and the experience of postcolonial societies and diasporic peoples. Attention is paid to the issues of form, ethnicity, class and gender in postcolonial literatures, the claims of nativist ideologies and cosmopolitan theories of ‘hybridity’.

Literature in Question: Writing since World War II

EN53343A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You study issues explored by post-war literature, starting from the debate initiated by Sartre’s “What is Literature?” and looking at literary and theoretical texts. You discuss how the role, scope and status of literature have been re-assessed within literary texts and by other disciplines. The course addresses the relationships between literature and philosophy, literature and ethics, literature and history, literature and science; it studies how generic boundaries and literary forms come under pressure and are re-defined; and it discusses authenticity, individual and national identity, the role and status of language, the literary canon and the possibility of originality, and the relationship between gender and writing.

Studies in Literature and Film

EN53344A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You explore the close relationship between literature and film in the 20th century. You study literature and film from a range of perspectives, both separately and in relation to each other, with an emphasis on cultural and historical criticism. You also examine the particular characteristics of both literature and film and the cross-connections between them through a detailed study of selected poems, plays, essays, experimental films, and feature films. Texts are drawn from a range of national literatures and cinemas. Foreign literary texts are studied in translation.

Decadence

EN53349A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This course explores the literature of decadence in France and England in the 19th century. The principal themes of decadence – degeneration, disease, sex, death – are explored in the work of various writers, and understood in the context of contemporary cultural anxieties and controversies.

Language and the Media

EN53371A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This course introduces you to a semiotic approach to the analysis of media texts, and to a multi-modal perspective on the analysis of communication. You compare and analyse media and literary genres. The course develops your critical awareness of a variety of linguistic techniques for analysing media discourse types and genres, and enables you particularly to understand the relationship in specific media discourses/genres between text and context.

Modernism and Drama (1880-1930)

EN53345A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Whilst modernist drama on the European continent is characterised by anti-realist tendencies, modern English drama continues the tradition of Realism. The course explores the main contrasts and affinities between these modernist and realist trends, focusing in the Autumn term on varieties of modernist drama, and in the Spring term on major innovative approaches to Realism from 1880-1930. Through a close reading of representative texts, you are introduced to a range of dramatic forms and techniques of the period. Examples from expressionist film acquaint you with questions related to performance, stage set, and lighting.
History

The Department of History specialises in cultural history, visual history, oral history, the history of ideas, art and medicine, religious studies, and philosophy. Courses cover medieval and early modern studies, contemporary thought, and debates and methods in cultural history and visual history. The distinctive emphasis of Goldsmiths History is an approach to teaching and research which is theorised, interdisciplinary and comparative; the culture of the Department is open, friendly and accessible.

Levels II and III

Magic and Myth in Medieval and Early Modern Europe

HT52025A/HT53025A

4 credits [Autumn]  
4 credits [Spring]

Various aspects of magical belief and practice from the Middle Ages to the early modern period are covered, but the emphasis is mainly on early modern witchcraft trials. The course explores the role of myths, legends and personal experience stories in sustaining magical traditions and multiple versions of certain long-enduring narrative schemas. It considers different cultural perceptions of what is natural and supernatural, physical or spiritual, as well as ‘sympathetic magic’ and metaphors with material effects. Following the exploration of individual themes (including demonic possession, magic ointments, shape changing) the course examines the factors contributing to the decline of witch trials. Please contact the Student Recruitment and International Office to confirm that the course is running.

The Crusades 1095-1400

HT52061A/HT53061A

4 credits [Autumn]  
4 credits [Spring]

This course examines the political, economic and cultural context of the crusades in the 11th to 14th centuries. The Western Christian response to the growth of Islam and the development of hostility between east and west is considered and a variety of historical sources from Christian and Muslim traditions are studied to establish how these events were understood and contextualised. It also examines the place of the crusades in popular myth, and considers the potential long-term effects of the crusade ‘movement’ on the other aspects of European history.

Medical History

HT52064A/HT53064A

4 credits [Autumn]  
4 credits [Spring]

Examines the history of medicine from its origins to recent developments in genetic medicine.

Health, Healing and Illness in Africa

HT52076A/HT53076A

4 credits [Autumn]  
4 credits [Spring]

Explores changing experiences of health and illness in colonial and post-colonial Africa. How did Africans understand the meaning of health, illness and disease? In what ways did these meanings conflict with colonial notions and colonial medical practices? We examine ways in which African healing systems and colonial medicine changed over time. We consider how gender and race influenced Africans’ experience of health and illness. We also look at patterns of fertility and nutrition and explore the history of infectious diseases (such as influenza, malaria and HIV/AIDS) on the continent. Please contact the Student Recruitment and International Office to confirm that the course is running.

Britain through the Lens

HT52077A/HT53077A

4 credits [Autumn]  
4 credits [Spring]

Looks at the changing ways in which experiences, identities and social issues have been represented on the screen in Britain, to explore the social and cultural history of Britain in the twentieth century and the ways in which social ‘problems’ are identified and responded to by different groups in society. Topics and films normally focus on Britain from the 1940s to the end of the twentieth century. The course involves a knowledge of the issues dealt with in specific films, an ability to place these issues in an historical context, and an analysis of the films themselves in terms of themes, representations and treatment of subject.
Gender in Text and History
HT52100A/HT53100A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
This is an introduction to some of the major developments in thinking about gender from the late eighteenth century to the present day. You use a range of literary texts and historical documents to place theoretical writings in specific cultural contexts. You examine various approaches in relation to representations of gender, class and race; issues such as work, marriage, prostitution, madness and parenthood are considered. Throughout the course, you analyse the relationship between narrative, language and history, between history and fiction, and between the individual and historical change.

Medieval Islamic Empires
HT52104B/HT53104B
4 credits [Autumn]
This course examines the history of Islam as it spread across Arabia to Persia and India in the east, through the Levant to the outskirts of Vienna in the north and through North Africa to Spain in the west. You begin by exploring the high point of Islamic expansion under the Umayyad and Abbasid empires and then focus on the period of transition and fragmentation that followed. Topics include the proliferation of different sects and branches of Islam as well as a survey of the major dynasties including Safavid Persia; Mughal India; Al-Andalus and Spain and the Ottoman Empire. Finally, we consider the contribution of Islamic thought and philosophy to the modern world.

Nationalism, Democracy and Dictatorship in 20th-Century Eastern Europe
HT52106A/HT53106A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
Introduces some of the main debates about the origins of nations and nationalism in the 19th century in Eastern Europe. You discuss the meanings and definitions of Eastern Europe and study the main developments in the 20th century: the First World War and post-war settlements; the emergence of 'New Europe' in the 1920s; failure of democracy and rise of dictatorships in the interwar period; occupation, resistance and collaboration in the Second World War; the Holocaust; Communist takeovers in the aftermath of the war; Tito-Soviet split; Hungarian revolution; Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia; Solidarity; Perestroika and Glasnost; revolutions of 1989 and fall of communism; disintegration and war in Yugoslavia; political, economic and social transition; EU enlargement.

London History
HT52107A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
2 credits [Summer]
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An introduction to the cultural and social history of London. By exploring primary and secondary source material, along with onsite visits, you will gain an understanding of the development of the historiography of the city. By focusing on contemporary understandings of London through the interrogation of contemporary writings and documents, you will be able to assess the relationship between these and current perceptions of the urban environment. A key aspect is the idea of simultaneity: that past and present London and Londoners develop, grow and are built on top and alongside each other. You will gain an understanding of this idea through the exploration of the city with site-specific visits.

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Languages

English Language
The Language Studies Centre (LSC) at Goldsmiths has more than 20 years’ experience in teaching English for Academic Purposes to both international and UK students. Whatever your standard of English and academic level (undergraduate or postgraduate), we provide programmes and courses which will help you reach the point where you can operate with confidence in the UK university system as a successful and independent student.

A wide variety of media sources, up-to-date topics and methodologies, and sophisticated language-learning facilities are used to deliver the teaching.

Other languages
Languages other than English at Goldsmiths are taught by our Department of Professional and Community Education (PACE).

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Junior Year Abroad (JYA) plus English for non-native speakers
This programme is an ideal option if you come from a country where the academic year begins in April or May. You can take up to six months of intensive English Language study on the Goldsmiths Pre-sessional Programme before entrance to our academic courses which start in September.

Junior Year Abroad plus English has three main aims:

—To enable you to develop your knowledge and command of English so that you will be well equipped to follow your academic courses in English, and to socialise with other students.

—To provide you with an exciting opportunity to study academic subjects of your choice in classes with European and other international students.

—To introduce you to the study skills required by British university students, such as note-taking and seminar preparation.

This programme goes further than just developing your English Language skills by building your understanding of British culture before beginning a programme of study in the Autumn Term. The programme is intended for students with a broad interest in contemporary cultural studies, whose first language is not English.

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The study abroad period that follows your English course can either be:

— a full-year JYA
— the Fall (Autumn) option
— the Spring option
— the Fall and Spring option
— the Spring and Summer option.

The Goldsmiths Pre-sessional Programme offers the best possible preparation for study at Goldsmiths, or on any other degree that focuses on culture, society or the arts. The course is unique because it not only covers the key academic English language skills – such as listening to lectures, note taking, guidance in academic writing and reading – but does so by focusing on the kind of academic content you are likely to meet on your degree. In Phases 3 and 4, for instance, there is a series of lectures on key contemporary postmodern thinkers such as Foucault, Baudrillard, and Butler, whose work features in a number of different degrees. There is also a choice of second lecture, either Contemporary Art History or Film Studies. At the end of the pre-sessional, you write an extended academic essay which combines theory and analysis, and provides excellent training for your future studies.

The focus on content means that you will learn not only general academic English, but also key vocabulary and concepts at the same level of complexity as on a degree. We therefore strongly recommended that international students attend the Pre-sessional even if they have already obtained the language entrance requirements for their degree. The Pre-sessional will also familiarise you with Goldsmiths and with how you are expected to behave in a British academic context – for example, speaking in seminars and interacting with academic staff.

Work on degree programmes is intensive, so it is a very good idea to take the Pre-sessional Programme before you start. Afterwards it is difficult to learn your subject and improve your English at the same time!

The Pre-sessional is hard work, but you will also have fun, make friends and learn a lot. As one previous student commented: “It’s so much more than just a language course!” To get more of an idea of what we do, visit the Language Studies Centre Virtual Learning Environment (VLE), at https://learn.gold.ac.uk, where you will find course outlines, typical lecture content and an example of a weekly timetable.

Key features of the programme:

— Two academic lectures per week in phases 3 & 4 (from July), in subjects which are directly relevant to studying at Goldsmiths.
— Training in key academic skills such as listening to lectures and note-taking, academic reading, discussing academic topics and giving academic presentations.
— Training and practice in writing academic essays, including how to compile a bibliography, reference properly and avoid plagiarism. Please note that we teach you how to write academic essays in the style of Goldsmiths and the University of London, not the 250-word IELTS style of essay.
— Language development classes to improve your grammar and academic vocabulary.
— Regular tutorials with a personal tutor who will monitor your progress, and give advice on how to make improvements.
— Familiarisation with all aspects of university life and UK culture in general.
— Students with conditional offers who successfully complete the Pre-sessional move automatically on to their chosen degree at Goldsmiths.
English Language

Level I

General English

LS51006A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

All four main skills – speaking, listening, reading and writing – receive attention on this course. You are encouraged to develop your language skills in everyday situations for your specialist subjects. The course aims to take you from around Pre-Intermediate through to Intermediate level. At the end of the course you may register for a suitable external examination after consultation with your tutor.

English for Academic Purposes

LS71001A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This course develops your language skills for use in the academic contexts of essay writing, reading, research, seminars, listening to lectures and taking notes. You consolidate your grammatical competence and develop your vocabulary. You give at least one seminar presentation on your own subject, submit a researched essay and complete regular weekly assignments.

Level II/III

Advanced English for Academic Purposes
(a) Academic Writing

LS52001A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
2 credits [Summer]

This is an advanced level language course in English for Academic Purposes. You focus specifically on the types of academic writing that relate to the subjects taught at Goldsmiths, and you analyse the different features of academic writing and other genres.

(b) Cambridge Proficiency

LS52001A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
2 credits [Summer]

This is an advanced level language course incorporating the syllabus for the Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency. You are required to give seminar presentations, participate in discussions and complete regular assignments. At the end of the course you may register for the external examination.

Evening language courses

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Music

Goldsmiths’ Department of Music, with its varied academic interests, active performing tradition, and proximity to London’s resources, offers a stimulating environment for students. Performance opportunities range from the symphony orchestra and choir to specialist groups for contemporary music, jazz and world music; performers and composers are strongly encouraged to become involved in departmental concerts. The Department has many varied facilities, including fully equipped composer-studios, workstations with music software, a recording studio, performance analysis equipment, a Recital Room with video recording facilities, and a networked computer room with Sibelius music software.

Some of the world’s most famous albums have been produced in London. This includes Abbey Road by the Beatles, recorded at Abbey Road Studios, St John’s Wood.

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Key

PM Department of Professional and Community Education (PACE) courses taught in the evening between 6pm and 9pm

Prerequisites: for all Level II courses there is a general prerequisite of two years’ college-level study of music. You should have studied both theory and practice. For popular music courses you should be familiar with Jazz and Popular Music traditions both through practical and academic study. For all other courses you should have paid major attention to the Western Classical tradition and be able to read and write musical notation.

In the Summer term you can choose to do 2 additional credits of project work related to courses studied in the Spring term. This work is negotiated individual study supported by some tutorial guidance. You should inform your home university and the Student Recruitment and International Office at Goldsmiths of the agreed topic once it has been confirmed. When you tell your International Liaison tutor the topics you are interested in studying, they can consider appropriate tutorial guidance arrangements. You should aim to confirm these details by week 6 of the Spring term.

Level I

Department of Music courses

London – the World’s Musical Capital

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This course looks at three key issues: the social, cultural and musical contexts within which music is made; the musical past and its legacies (and how we understand various histories); and different approaches to analysis, criticism and writing about music. Case studies focus on significant genres and artists in the history of popular music. You will be encouraged to evaluate the significance of various artistic developments whilst acquiring an understanding of the conceptual frameworks and cultural contexts within which such changes have been understood.

Practical Popular Music Studies

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Practical Popular Music Studies allows you to develop your practical skills in the broadest sense via a weekly performance class and individual vocal/instrumental lessons. It provides instruction in all areas of practical musicianship including aural skills, transcription, sight-reading and improvisation as well as ensemble playing and performance. You will be given supporting classes in performance technology (how to use PA, Mics etc) and other issues relating to rehearsal, practice and presentation.

Folk and Urban Musics

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This course provides a foundation for understanding the key creative elements common in many forms of popular music. Term one focuses on roots of popular style in US and European folk music, stressing the importance of orality, song form, interaction/improvisation, modality, standard progressions, rhythm and the role of social processes in shaping music. Terms two and three focus on the creative concepts at the heart of 20th-century popular music in the Western world – for example, riffs, repetition, cycle of fifths, fragmentation, recycling/sampling, lyrics and use of new technologies.

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Composition

MUS1019A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
10 credits [Full year]

This course allows you to develop an understanding of 20th/21st-century compositional techniques, and to apply them in your own original creative work. Creative strategies actively explored include experimental notation, visualisation and improvisation. You consider a range of structural methods as evidenced in music from the early 20th century onwards (such as serialism, isorhythm, block form, process-based form). You explore a number of techniques with respect to pitch (linear/harmonic), rhythm and texture. You work individually on three projects; a set of brief technical experiments, and two compositions (for duo and small ensemble). You also participate in a group assessed project.

Performance and Critical Listening

MUS1020A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
10 credits [Full year]

This course seeks to develop not only practical performance skills but also critical listening and interpersonal skills. It begins with four weeks of lectures on performance-related issues ('performance anxiety', 'critical listening' etc). You are given the opportunity for a short solo performance in term 1, with feedback provided by the course leader and the student peer group. In term 2 you are divided into groups and use the resources available to put on a concert of chamber music. The projects/concerts are performed and assessed, with marks awarded according to performance competence and overall contribution.

Introduction to Music Technology

MUS1021A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
10 credits [Full year]

This is an opportunity for you to become familiar with a range of music technology applications, including score processing, computer-based production and sequencing. You will develop a basic working knowledge of three software packages, acquiring core skills in computer music and furthering your understanding of its potential practical applications. You will also have the opportunity to work in a recording studio, developing a knowledge of good practice in this environment, including an ability to collaborate effectively.

Tonal Harmony and Form

MUS1022A
4 credits [Full year]

Prerequisite: Some previous knowledge of musical theory.

The course aims to consolidate and extend your understanding of tonal harmony and to introduce you to historical and analytical study of music c1750-c1830, concentrating on sonata form movements and their context. The first half of the course uses the music of JS Bach to focus study of chord identification, harmonic progressions, cadences, melodic structure and the simple tonal forms (binary, ternary and rondo). The second half focuses on the music of the common-practice period through a study of sonata form and its development from Haydn to Beethoven. Issues covered include the understanding of formal, thematic and tonal structures in sonata form, and their relationship to theoretical and cultural conceptions of the nature and meaning of the form.

Western Art Music: Development and Repertoire

MUS1023A
4 credits [Autumn]

The aim of this introductory survey course is to familiarise you with significant and varied examples of Western Art Music, presented in chronological order. It also develops a critique of the ways in which traditions are constructed and works become canonised. Through a study of particular works you will come to understand: [a] the range of languages and techniques available in the Western art-music tradition; [b] why music was composed and performed differently in past communities; [c] patterns of influence and points of innovation in the development of music; [d] the origins of the musical practices we employ today; [e] the evidence, investigative methods and value systems that have induced us to construe the musical past in particular ways.

Approaches to Contemporary Music

MUS1024A
4 credits [Spring]

The aim of this course is to introduce you to the skills you will require, the repertoire you will encounter and the debates you will need to consider when studying musics of the twentieth century. Via concrete examples and case studies it introduces the specific skills required for analysing music, engaging in critical reasoning, conducting research and presenting written arguments, along with an awareness of the key issues of debate in contemporary musicology. The course encourages you to gain an understanding of the perspectives, methods and orientations of musicologists.

Popular Music: History, Style, Technique

MUS1025A
4 credits [Autumn]

Through discussion of issues related to the performance, recording, production, composition and documentation of Western popular music, this course aims to enhance critical listening skills. It aims to provide a foundation for skills and understanding developed later in the programme, introducing topics such as: standard song forms and structures; instrumental and vocal tone, texture and style; approaches to recording and production; genres and generic markers; the role of arrangement.

Music and Culture

MU41048A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
2 credits [Summer]

This course comprises a broad look at music in contemporary culture, and investigates music both in terms of style and genre and as a cultural phenomenon. It focuses mainly on popular music but includes perspectives on classical, traditional and global music. Through listening, lectures, seminars and discussions it explores music and its cultural processes and promotes an understanding of musical expression in a range of contemporary societies and subcultures.
Vocal Workshop

Gospel/Soul and Pop Styles

MU41049A

4 credits [Autumn]

PM

World Traditions

MU41050A

4 credits [Spring]

PM

From a cappella to r’n’b, madrigals to doo-wop, gospel to free jazz, classical to non-western vocal techniques, these workshops give you the opportunity to develop vocal and musicianship skills in a range of styles. They are open to singers and to other musicians who would like to develop their vocal abilities and sing some great music with others. Alongside vocal techniques, the course develops aural awareness, improvisation, sight-reading and exploration of different traditions and in different styles.

Songwriting Workshop

MU41052A

2 credits [Summer]

PM

A workshop for aspiring and more seasoned songwriters wanting to learn more about what makes a good song, and wanting to hone skills and try out ideas. You will learn about hooks, bridges and middle 8s, the right mood, tone and structure and, most important of all, how to make your songs ring true. The workshop includes demo performances with expert guidance and constructive feedback.

Level II

Department of Music courses

Musical Style and Historical Culture

MU52013A

4 credits [Autumn]

An exploration of musical styles and their relation to historical cultures, institutions and communities. You learn about specific historical musical networks, such as those existing in 16th-century London, Renaissance Venice, or late 19th-century Vienna. You also consider the difficulties in relating particular musical styles to complex cultures, and the potential distinctions between shared musical styles and shared musical techniques.

Music and Modernism

MU52014A

4 credits [Autumn]

This course explores the development of musical trends in the first half of the 20th century, and considers their relationship to the modernist ideas evolving in Western culture at this time. Particular attention is given to the music of Debussy, Stravinsky and the composers of the Second Viennese School.

Culture, Media and the Music Industries

MU52016A

4 credits [Spring]

The central concern of this course is the commodification of music. Drawing from political economy, sociology and business studies, it provides an introduction to key issues and debates, and the role of various industries and technologies in music making. It discusses: the occupations, work, structures and dynamics inside record companies; the range of different businesses that have a vested interest in music making; the way music has become ever more significant for corporate promotion and branding; the importance of copyright and the legal regulation of rights, identities and authorship; the global relations of popular music production and circulation; the way music making has been understood in theoretical debates.

Russian Music Traditions

MU52018A

4 credits [Spring]

Examines Russian music from the 16th century onwards with a particular emphasis on the 19th century, including areas such as the legacy of folk music, sacred music, music education and theory, and the political and social contexts in which all of these were found. The unique archive collections of the Centre for Russian Music at the College, and the special collection room, will be made available for students, allowing you to engage with some of the primary sources relevant to the study of Russian music of this period.

Music, Communication and Identity

MU52020A

4 credits [Autumn]

For many years music has been associated with different social groups and specific cultural identities: from the close connections between the emergent bourgeoisie and the critical appreciation and canonisation of absolute music in the eighteenth and nineteenth century, through the importance of blues, jazz, soul and hip hop for changing notions of black identity up the present day. Composers, songwriters and musicians have quite consciously used their art to communicate a sense of individual and collective experience. The course examines how music has been used to affirm a sense of collective identity and as a means of asserting difference.

Composition: Creative Strategies

MU52023A

4 credits [Autumn]

Prerequisite: Previous experience of composition.

This course encourages you to experiment with a number of creative and technical strategies for composition and sound art practice. You undertake a series of creative tasks to explore different strategies for making work, whether technical or intuitive. Examples include: pitch/rhythmic organisation, graphic notation, working with images/text-based/aural sources, and working with chance operations and performer choice.

Studio Techniques

MU52024A

4 credits [Autumn]

Prerequisite: competence in composition using music technology.

This course enables you to acquire fundamental skills in the use of studio equipment and software which are relevant to experimental electronic music and electroacoustic composition. These include recording techniques, sound editing and mixing, digital audio processing and use of MIDI. You will also be introduced to a range of experimental electronic/electroacoustic repertoire and associated compositional approaches. Maximum of five students.

Music, Technology and Production

MU52025A

4 credits [Autumn]

Prerequisite: competence in music technology.

Highlights a range of recording techniques and music technology, focusing on sequencing, sampling, multi-track recording, use of a mixing desk, audio and digital effects and microphones. The course also introduces the key aesthetic concepts which underlie contemporary production techniques and emphasises the creative importance of recording and technology in popular music. Maximum of five students.
Music Aesthetics
MUS2026A
4 credits [Autumn]
Consider the principles of defining music and of its ability to express and be 'meaningful.' The main aim of the course is to help you think in logical and consistent ways about the principles by which you might begin to negotiate and evaluate the many present and future musics of the world.

Composition and Performance
MUS2027A
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: competence in composition.

For this course you compose two works, one for soloist and one for a small ensemble. Your solo piece is written for a student taking the Classical Performance module. His/her performance of your piece is assessed in Term 3. Your ensemble piece is written for a group of your own choosing, including members of this course group. You have the opportunity to present this piece in a Composers' Forum concert in Term 3. Contemporary techniques are explored, with consideration of timbre, texture and structure, as well as the possibilities of 'real-life' performance settings.

Studio Composition
MUS2028A
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: competence in composition using music technology.

Following Studio Techniques (MUS2024A, left), this course explores the experimental creative possibilities of the studio. Historical and current directions in computer music and sonic art are considered, including acousmatic music, phonography, text-sound composition, algorithmic composition and plunderphonics, with reference to aesthetic issues, historical and cultural contexts and most importantly compositional techniques. You are introduced to non-real time software for analysing and transforming sound, including Audio Sculpt, Sound Hack and Metasynth. You are encouraged to develop your understanding and technical skills in the production of one substantial composition and a reflective commentary about one pivotal work by an established composer/sound artist.

History of Performance
MUS2031A
4 credits [Spring]
This course encourages you to examine changing performance contexts for Western music since the Middle Ages. This is undertaken in two ways: through the interpretation of historical documents and artefacts (including musical sources, treatises and instrument) and through the analysis of recordings. Some consideration will be given to the 'period-instrument' movement and to the broader issues that this has raised concerning the role of the performer. Although the course does not require you to perform, you are encouraged to bring your own practical experience to bear on their study.

Language of Jazz
MUS2036A
4 credits [Autumn]
This course provides an introduction to the harmonic and melodic vocabulary of jazz and commercial music. It studies: tonality, standard chord progressions, chord/scale relationships, modes, extended chords, dissonance and reharmonisation. You are also instructed in the conventions of jazz and popular music notation, including the presentation of lead sheets and full scores.

Film Music
MUS2037A
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: competence in composition using music technology.

This course explores the use of music for film and other media using both theoretical and creative approaches to sound and image. It contains a brief historical survey of film music since the 'silent' era and introduces a variety of analytical approaches that examine its semantics. This theoretical background then provides the foundation for practical sessions that explore the craft of writing for film. You are expected to make an analysis of how music functions in a film of your choice, through an annotated cuesheet and an essay, and, in the second half of the module, to compose a set of exercises to accompany short film clips.

Orchestration
MUS20039A
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: knowledge of music theory.

This course aims to familiarise you with the principles of orchestration found in scores from the Classical period through to the turn of the 20th century. The course will discuss how instrumentation and techniques of orchestration developed over this time, and examine issues of transposition from piano music to orchestra. It also aims to provide a foundation of knowledge in orchestration technique that might later be applied in your own composition work. You will complete a portfolio of short preliminary exercises, alongside transcriptions for orchestral forces of a short piano piece.

Arranging: Jazz and Commercial Music
MUS2040A
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: competence in jazz harmony.

This course introduces you to a range of techniques common in jazz and commercial music, and provides an opportunity to apply harmonic knowledge acquired in Language of Jazz (left). You will gain an understanding of standard brass and reed instruments, conventional scoring and chord voicing techniques, and standard approaches to arrangement structure. You will be expected to complete some preliminary exercises before the completion of a fully scored arrangement for a medium to large ensemble.

Performance: Ensemble
MUS2041B
4 credits [Autumn]
Prerequisite: performance proficiency in popular music (instrument or voice).

Guides you through a range of repertoire to develop enhanced stylistic awareness and both individual and group musicianship skills. By participating in a weekly ensemble class, you experience a variety of learning situations from full notation and lead sheets to working purely by ear or verbal instructions. In addition, you will be encouraged to evolve performance in the broadest sense, developing awareness of the effects of personal physicality, how to use the performance space, and other issues of presentation.
Level II
Department of Professional and Community Education courses

Music of Africa and Asia

Musicianship for Jazz and Popular Music 2

MU40012A
10 credits [Full year]
PM

This course develops your musicianship skills and creative techniques. It aims to give you a thorough grounding in the broad range of skills required for work as a professional musician. The course includes repertoire, practical aural training, theory, tonal, popular and jazz harmony, rhythmic studies, score reading, dictation and transcription skills, keyboard skills, arranging, scoring and composing.

Musicianship for Classical Music 2

MU41014A
10 credits [Full year]
PM

This course takes as its basis the study of short works from the 20th-century repertoire, and aims to relate technical and aesthetic matters arising from this to your own compositional development. Issues of line, counterpoint, harmony, rhythm, texture and form are explored from a number of stylistic viewpoints. Teaching is mainly by seminar, with regular workshops and the possibility of individual tutorials. At the end of the course, there is the opportunity to hear your work performed by professional musicians.

Composing and Arranging for Jazz and Contemporary Styles

MU41022B
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
PM

This course studies the theory behind jazz and popular music’s use of harmony: scales, extended chords, chord progressions and substitutions. It also covers aspects such as instrument ranges and transpositions, rhythm section notation and score layout. The course culminates with the completion of your own arranging project.

Performance Ensemble 1+2

MU41023A/B/C
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
PM

An ideal opportunity for instrumentalists and singers to perform in a wide array of genres, from the Renaissance to the present day. We initially focus on achieving authentic, quality performances of the historic idioms (eg madrigals, sonatas, Concerti grossi, arias and recitatives, Lieder, wind and string quartets to octets) as employed by composers from Monteverdi to Schoenberg. You also participate in the performance of contemporary music, such as the experimentalism of John Cage, aleatorism of Lutoslawski, minimalism of Steve Reich, American and European Jazz (from Swing to fusion) and popular music from around the world.

Analysis for Composition

MU41024A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Music of Africa and Asia

MU52046A
4 credits [Spring]

The course introduces the diverse musical traditions of Africa and Asia. It concentrates on traditional musical practices, although some attention is also given to newly created styles. Geographical areas covered include Southern Africa, West Africa, North Africa, Central Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia (mainland and island), Oceania and East Asia. You are expected to become familiar with the sounds of the music of these areas, and to understand something of their underlying structural principles and the social and cultural contexts in which they are performed.

Performance Ensemble (Jazz and Pop)

Pop/Rock/Blues

MU40009A
4 credits [Autumn]
PM

This is an ideal opportunity to perform a wide variety of rock and popular music with groups in mixed line-ups. The course covers the practical application of arranging, composing skills, rhythm section/horn section interaction, ensemble playing and improvisation. It is arranged in two 10-week terms covering two general styles and/or influences: popular/rock/blues and Latin rhythm.

Latin Rhythm

MU40010A
4 credits [Spring]
PM

20th-century repertoire, and aims to relate technical and aesthetic matters arising from this to your own compositional development. Issues of line, counterpoint, harmony, rhythm, texture and form are explored from a number of stylistic viewpoints. Teaching is mainly by seminar, with regular workshops and the possibility of individual tutorials. At the end of the course, there is the opportunity to hear your work performed by professional musicians.

Piano Performance Workshop

MU41027A
4 credits [Autumn]
6 credits [Spring/Summer]
PM

A piano course designed to enhance your performing skills, develop repertoire and increase your confidence as a player in an informal workshop situation. You are encouraged to explore repertoire in a wide range of styles in discussion with the tutor and according to your individual needs.

Digital Studio Workshop

MU41038B
2 credits [Summer]

Designed both for composers wanting to take the sound manipulation and recording creative process further and for those interested in developing their skills in recording techniques and sound synthesis and design.

Contemporary Jazz Piano

MU41046A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
PM

One of the longest running and most acclaimed jazz piano courses in London, this course covers the technical, historical and expressive basis of contemporary jazz piano over the past 60 years. The practical approach, using two pianos for duet as well as solo playing, will enable you to start or (if you already improvise) develop as a creative contemporary jazz pianist.

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This course develops a practical, working knowledge of the main Latin styles as applied to the piano. Afro-Cuban and Afro-Brazilian styles are covered, including Salsa, Samba and Guajira as well as the Argentinian Tango. You do not need much knowledge of theory and harmony, as the course concentrates on rhythm, style and interpretation.

**Compose and Perform 2**

MU41135A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

The course explores a variety of musical techniques and concepts, with the emphasis on their practical application through exercises and more extended compositions. Regular workshops give you the opportunity to hear your work and gain experience in part-preparation, direction, and so on. The course also aims to develop aesthetic and critical awareness, and you will be invited to respond to a wide range of music, as well as bringing your own music for discussion. The course is also open to non-performers.

**Music History and Analysis**

MU42005A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
2 credits [Summer]

This course develops your skills in aural and visual recognition, and in analysis of the styles, structures and compositional techniques of music from the western classical tradition. Techniques such as fugue and structures such as sonata form will be examined from works including Corelli trio sonatas and Haydn's string quartets.

**Level III**

**Department of Music courses**

**Minimalism and Postminimalism**

MU3009A

4 credits [Autumn]

Assesses the history, techniques and aesthetics of musical minimalism in the context of contemporary cultural practice. The period covered ranges from its prehistory in the output of composers such as Satie, through its early maturity in the work of Young, Riley, Reich and Glass, to some of the manifestations of their heritage in the music of younger composers such as Pärt, Branca and Skempton.

**Soviet Music and Beyond**

MU3012A

4 credits [Autumn]

This course offers lectures on Soviet and post-Soviet developments in Russian music, and on current issues in Russian culture and history. The main areas discussed are the impact of State control on Soviet artistic output and life, and the developments after Stalin's death in 1953. There is a focus on prominent composers such as Prokofiev, Shostakovich, Schnittke and Gubaidulina.

**Composition for Visiting Ensemble**

MU3017A

4 credits [Autumn]

Prerequisite: competence in composition.

This course offers you the opportunity to compose a work for the Department's Visiting Ensemble. The course structure consists of one lecture and two seminars in which you study recent relevant repertoire, alongside appropriate technical compositional strategies. These sessions are followed up with individual tutorials to discuss the development of your composition. A workshop is organised during the course for you to meet the ensemble and hear your work-in-progress. There is a further workshop in the following term, once your composition is complete, in which your piece is rehearsed, recorded and discussed. Please note: these workshops will take place outside of the timetabled slot for this course.

**Phonography**

MU3018A

4 credits [Autumn]

Prerequisite: experience of using music technology.

The art of phonography is regarded by some as a recent phenomenon. However, the recording, editing and juxtaposing of 'real world' sounds within an artistic context can be claimed to be as old as the technology it utilises. There are as many aesthetic approaches to working with such materials as there are composers working within this genre. This compositional course creatively explores the domain of field recording, including the use of recorded sounds in documentary, acoustic ecology and sound art. It theoretically and practically tackles the salient issues and simultaneously builds up the technical skills required in the practice of phonography.

**Analysis and New Music**

MU3024A

4 credits [Spring]

This course explores music from c1970 to c2000, considering issues in structure and interpretation of a range of styles and composers, including Boulez, Stockhausen, Ferneyhough, minimalism, Andriessen, Cage, Birtwistle, Carter, and Rihm. Some popular music styles may also be studied. Because appropriate analytical techniques are elusive for much of this music, you are encouraged to develop and apply analytic approaches suitable to individual works, drawing on models presented to you in lectures.

**Advanced Classical Performance**

MU3026A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
2 credits [Summer]

Prerequisite: high-level skills in classical performance.

This course seeks to further develop practical performance skills, critical listening skills and interpersonal skills. You are given the opportunity for several (unassessed) short solo performances in tutor-led seminars at various times throughout the course; you receive feedback both from the tutor and your peers on these performances. Each performer also presents a lunchtime or evening recital (unassessed) throughout the course. You will be paired with ‘an assistant’, or a ‘concert manager’ (a fellow student), who should also review your concert, and upload the review on learn.gold’s Concert Review webpage.

**Aesthetics of Performance**

MU3030A

4 credits [Spring]

This course engages with ideas and approaches established within music aesthetics and applies them to issues of musical performance. First, it will examine the justification for having a separate category of so-called performing arts, and ask whether performances can be works of art. Second, it will look at the identity and status of ‘transient’ music that appear to exist only in performance. Third, it will consider the complex relationship between musical texts and the strategies of the performer. Fourth, it will explore possible modes of performance and the notion that ‘performativity’ might be an end in itself. Finally, it will consider the evaluation of performances, and the ethical and artistic responsibilities of performers.
Narrative, Representation and Popular Song

MUS3033A
4 credits [Autumn]
This course aims to engage with theories of representation and narrative in order to understand how the popular song uses words and music to convey information about, comment upon and tell stories about the world. It will be concerned with fiction as much as realism; social intervention as much as imaginative escapism. The course combines theoretical reflection with detailed case studies. The main focus is on songs composed over the past seventy years, but it will also consider various historical legacies. The course is concerned with analysing how lyrics and music work together, and you will be expected to draw from theoretical perspectives including discourse theory, music semiotics, musicology, literary theory and theories of realism.

Mozart’s Operas: Advanced Music History Sources/Documents

MUS3034A
4 credits [Spring]
Provides an opportunity for you to develop musicological skills by exploring an aspect of music history not only through secondary sources – such as modern textbooks and printed scores – but also by reviewing the primary historical sources and documents on which modern accounts and editions are based. The course demonstrates how documents from the past might be used to write narrative and explanatory types of history, and the kinds of decisions and assumptions that make such processes possible.

Applied Composition and Songwriting

MUS3037A
4 credits [Autumn]
Prerequisite: previous experience of composition or songwriting courses.
The course allows you to produce a portfolio of work in either mixed-media composition or songwriting, providing an opportunity to apply and extend techniques and understanding acquired in Level II courses in Songwriting and Film Music. The course is taught through lectures/seminars on techniques and approaches arising out of case study examples, and there are creative assignments from which you construct a short portfolio of songs or pieces, submitted in recorded form.

Improvisation

MUS3040A
4 credits [Autumn]
Prerequisite: Previous experience of music improvisation.
This course deals with creativity in performance. By engaging with some of the key ideas on improvisation, from the highly technical to the purely spiritual, you are introduced to the concepts of spontaneous creativity. Lectures and workshops present improvisation in many forms – from completely free improvisation to creativity housed within more restricted musical parameters. You can choose to focus on one style of improvisation on which to be assessed.

Psychological Approaches to Music

MUS3041A
4 credits [Autumn]
This is an introduction to the study of music psychology. Lectures focus on the perception, cognition and neural basis of musical understanding, the perception of musical structure, and emotions and theories about music’s evolutionary roots. The scientific methods used in research are explored in a lab-based class. Student evaluation is done on the basis of a written assignment selected from a pool of questions. This course is offered in collaboration with the Department of Psychology.
## Politics and Economics

The Department of Politics at Goldsmiths looks at the areas of government, political theory and the cultures and conflicts of politics, from a perspective which encourages crossing boundaries within the field of politics and between politics and other disciplines. Our staff specialise in the comparative and historical analysis of problems and policies. We provide a lively base for study in a range of fields including Chinese politics, international relations, local government, European politics, British politics, modern political and social thought, Marx and Marxism, postcolonialism, the politics of health, political sociology, democratisation, and public administration.

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## On an average day in London, there are 66 plays, 33 musicals, 19 operas and 16 dance performances.

In the Summer term you can choose to do 2 additional credits of project work related to courses studied in the Spring term. This work is negotiated individual study supported by some tutorial guidance. You should inform your home university and the Student Recruitment and International Office at Goldsmiths of the agreed topic once it has been confirmed. When you tell your International Liaison Tutor the topics you are interested in studying, they can consider appropriate tutorial guidance arrangements. You should aim to confirm these details by week 6 of the Spring term. There are no regular lectures or seminars during the summer term.

See also Professional and Community Education: Cultural and Social Studies (page 59) for other courses in this subject.

### Ideas, Ideologies and Conflicts

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The aim of this course is to give you an introduction to political theory and show why central political ideas and concepts influence our understanding of the world around us. It will explore key concepts, principles and ideologies such as the state, political representation and democracy, rights, power and authority, conservatism, liberalism and socialism.

### Politics

#### Level I

#### UK and European Comparative Governance and Politics

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The main institutions of British government are introduced, as well as the policy making process within British government. You examine the constitutional framework, the core executive, the civil service, Parliament, local government, territorial government and the role of the judiciary, and discuss the policy making process within Whitehall and Westminster. The course also introduces you to the history and politics of post-1945 Europe through a study of the politics, political cultures and institutions of the Federal Republic of Germany and Italy.

### World Politics

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This course introduces you to the study of world politics, emphasising that there are different and competing perspectives on how to approach the subject. The course introduces the three dominant paradigms (Realism, Pluralism and Structuralism) that have defined the discipline of International Relations (IR) since the end of the Second World War. It situates those paradigms in the historical context in which they were developed, and critically examines both their contribution to our understanding of world politics and their shortcomings. In the second term, the course critically examines how the three main IR paradigms sought to respond to the new post-Cold War world, in particular the phenomena of American power, globalisation and regionalism, climate change, terrorism and the financial crisis.

### Public Administration

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Prerequisite: college-level political science.

This course examines the institutions and processes of the executive branch of British government. Topics covered include: the changing nature of public administration; the political and constitutional framework, including the European dimension; the structure and organisation of public bodies at central, local and regional levels, and the relationships between them; and accountability, control and redress of grievances. Comparative material is used to illustrate these topics.
Modern Political Theory

POS2002A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: college-level political science or philosophy.

You concentrate on attitudes towards the State, industrial society and the place of the individual in 19th- and 20th-century political theory. You look at topics including the Enlightenment, socialism, liberalism, conservatism, utilitarianism, feminism and postmodernism, and examine the writings of key thinkers such as Burke, Paine, Bentham, Hegel, Tocqueville, Mill, Marx, Lenin, Bernstein and Hayek.

Comparative European Politics

POS2004A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]
Prerequisite: college-level political science.

You investigate the evolution of European politics since 1945. Starting with an historical overview, the course is divided into five sections: the political cultures of Europe, the political ideologies of Europe, Western European party and electoral systems, Western European constitutions and parliaments, and centre and periphery – local and central government in Western Europe.

Themes and Issues in British Politics since 1945

POS2010A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

The course will bring an historical perspective to key issues in British politics from the end of the Second World War to the present day. It will do that by examining themes such as the post-1945 political ‘consensus’, the move from Empire to Europe, and the subsequent rise of Thatcherism. It will also focus on specific policy issues such as education, health and the environment, examining the development of political debates from 1945 to the present. The course will include close examination of the politics of ‘New Labour’.

Contemporary International Relations: Theory and Practice

POS2012A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Prerequisite: college-level political science, ideally including some coverage of international relations.

This course builds on World Politics (POS1010B), with the first term consolidating some of the discussion on the classical theories of international relations (realism/neorealism, liberalism/ neoliberalism and Marxism) with new interpretations of these theories, and introducing a series of critical approaches to international relations through theories of constructivism, post-modernism, gender studies and aesthetics, and IR. The second term introduces a number of contemporary thematic concerns within the study of international relations, such as democratisation, human rights, just and unjust wars, imperialism, inequality and insecurity, transatlantic relations, nuclear states and terrorism, and discusses both their different theoretical underpinnings and their practical implications.

Chinese Politics

POS2013A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

The empirical history of the Chinese revolution, as it unfolds into a series of problems around defining friend and enemy is of enormous import for politics and political theory generally. This basic thesis underpins this subject. Beginning in the 1920s, the subject explores the power of the political to drive people to revolution and into excess. It examines Mao attempts to harness and re-channel the power of the political, how it comes to frame governmental institutions and, in the Cultural Revolution, how ‘the political’ gains new intensity with the discovery of a new enemy.

Level III

Culture, Globalisation and Power

POS3008B
4 credits [Autumn]

This course aims to understand the extraordinary reach of Western imperialism and globalisation from the nineteenth century to the present. It aims to demonstrate how culture and imperialism are inextricably linked and how they produce a system of domination which extends over the forms, imagery and imaginations of both the colonised and the colonisers. The course examines the interdependence of culture and imperialism in order to understand today’s post-colonial world that remains entrapped in the globalising spread of imperialism.

Beyond All Reason

POS3011B
4 credits [Autumn]

Politics is often conceived as the attempt to rationally control our collective life. Yet so much of human existence seems irrational: intercommunal violence and civil conflict, genocide, social inequality and environmental degradation. For all its hopes of a rational politics, modern life since the Enlightenment has often seemed to be beyond all reason. Can politics be rethought to embrace the limits of rationality, to face up to human destructiveness? If so, can it avoid succumbing to irrationality? How then might we cope with the possibility of enmity and violence? This course surveys efforts to conceptualise the political and its relationship to Reason and unreason from Kant to Arendt.

Risk and Politics: Theory and Practice

POS3015A
4 credits [Autumn]

The course is for those who want to know more about the relationship between politics and the assessment, communication and management of risk. It invites you to explore the ways in which the discussion of risk has become one of the most pressing concerns in contemporary politics and to consider the leading role ideas about risk play in shaping public debates and the formulation and evaluation of public policy. The study of risk is a multi-disciplinary enterprise and the sub-field of risk politics gives you the opportunity to consider the ways in which politics, economics, legal studies, social psychology, media studies and sub-disciplines in the natural sciences, such as toxicology, inform each other.

Northern Ireland’s Politics and Political Cultures

POS3016A
4 credits [Spring]

This course examines the theories which have been used to explain the conflict in Northern Ireland, the nature of the events of the conflict, and the political culture of the conflict, with an emphasis on exploring the political impact of cultural identities. The first part of the course establishes a theoretical framework for understanding the conflict. The second part explores the cultural dimension, and the third part examines the key events of the conflict in the context of both theory and culture. Throughout the course there is close attention to political language and symbolism.

Public Policy Analysis

POS3017A
4 credits [Autumn]

This course is a systematic analysis of the various stages of policy making, from initiation to implementation, examining the role of various actors, ideas and interests at each stage. The problems faced by policy makers, especially the issues of implementation and evaluation, are investigated in light of the limitations to perfect administration in the real world. The focus is on the nature and the role of policy analysis, the concept of the policy cycle, and the ways in which government and other actors shape public policy. We examine the prominent models of policy making – pluralism, corporatism and other belief-system models analysing concepts such as rationality, bounded rationality, incrementalism and mixed scanning.
Discourse, Politics and Power

POS3018A
4 credits [Autumn]

Much of Western political theory is based on Enlightenment ideas about reason, and in particular on a paradigm of the autonomous, rational individual derived from liberalism. However, a number of contemporary thinkers in the Continental tradition have challenged these preconceptions, showing that we also have to account for certain external, and often ‘irrational’ forces – such as language, the unconscious, ideology and power relations – that often shape our perception of the world and our place in it. The course examines some of these alternative approaches to the political, exploring themes such as discourse, power, subjectivity, passion, resistance – as well as contemporary approaches to radical politics.

Politics and Welfare

POS3019A
4 credits [Spring]

This course is focused upon current controversies, issues and developments in social welfare policy including controversy about the nature of social exclusion and the existence of an underclass, the need for rationing access to health services, the development of service frameworks for social care and the relationship between economy, taxation and social welfare. The course will be particularly concerned with inviting students to consider and critically examine different views about the scope, organisation and role of social welfare in contemporary society.

Anarchism

POS3022A
4 credits [Spring]

This course focuses on the history, politics and ideology of anarchism from its origins in the nineteenth century to 1939. There is a discussion of anarchism in the post-1945 period but the main aim is to trace the origins and development of anarchist ideology (Godwin, Proudhon, Stirner, Bakunin, Kropotkin, Malatesta, Goldman) and associated social and labour movements in Europe and the Americas. Substantial time is devoted to anarchist-type movements and ideas which developed throughout the world before 1800 and as well as a discussion of the ‘ism’, anarchism, its reception and interchange with thinkers, ideas, and movements in Asia and Africa.

Rhetoric and Politics

POS3028A
4 credits [Spring]

Rhetoric is the art of speech and persuasion. In classical Greece and Rome, rhetoric held a central place in politics. To speak and argue well was an integral part of being a citizen. In modern, democratic societies, speeches and arguments remain a primary source in political life. But we have become more suspicious of what we hear, and perhaps less attentive to the ways we are being persuaded. This course examines the techniques of rhetorical analysis and applies these to the study of contemporary political speeches.

An(other) China: Streetscenes of Politics

POS3029A
4 credits [Spring]

An(other) China takes theory for a walk down the backstreets of a Chinese city and into the daily lives, loves and indiscretions of the everyday. From Mao badges to personnel files, from everyday life to government regulation, from markets to gifts, this course raises a set of theoretical concerns that circle around concrete objects and vernacular concerns. Utilising contemporary social, political, cultural and postcolonial theory, the course is designed to simultaneously show the value of theory yet also problematise it by showing its cultural limitations. In so doing, it opens onto a very different view of China and also a more ‘enchanted’ view of politics.

Level III

Political Economy of the European Union

POS3007A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

Prerequisite: one year of college-level economics (micro-economics and/or macro-economics), plus one term in European politics (or equivalent), ideally including some coverage of the European Union.

This course allows you to familiarise yourself with the central traits of the economic architecture of the European Union (EU); to explore recent economic integration; to analyse the consequences that this economic and political integration process is having on political-economic governance in the member states; and to explore some of the policies generated by the EU in fields such as labour and social policy (eg migration, competition policy, environmental policy, and industrial policy). You also analyse the main varieties of capitalism underpinning member state economies, and the challenges they experience as a result of internal factors and the

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globalisation of production and financial markets.

New Radical Political Economy

POS3010A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

Prerequisite: college-level economics.

This course gives you an understanding of key issues in contemporary radical political economy. The course critically evaluates orthodox economic approaches to globalization as well as challenges from the anti-capitalist movement. Marxist, autonomist and green economics are examined and criticised. The course looks at the effects of global capitalism on poverty, equality and environment sustainability. Alternatives to the market and state regulation of economic activity such as commons regimes, open source and social sharing are also put under the microscope.

The Politics and Economics of Immigration

POS3030A

4 credits [Autumn]

Net immigration levels to Europe have increased dramatically since the fall of the Iron Curtain. This has spawned pressing questions about national identity, multiculturalism, integration and assimilation, the role of religion, language and symbolic marks of common representation. While pragmatic policy-makers are rediscovering the benefits of labour migration, parties from the Far Right are making electoral inroads based on radical measures stopping or even reversing immigration. Humanitarian channels of migration, especially asylum, are facing a somewhat uncertain future. This course examines the politics and economic of immigration throughout Europe and beyond.

Professional and Community Education (PACE)

The Department of Professional and Community Education (PACE) brings together the disciplines of several programmes from within Goldsmiths, including cultural and social studies, community and youth work, counselling and therapy, social work, and art psychotherapy. It consolidates Goldsmiths’ expertise in Continuing Professional Development and in education and training for the local community and beyond. By establishing PACE, Goldsmiths renewed its fundamental commitment to continuing and community education, and to lifelong learning.

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Art Psychotherapy Workshop

ATS001A

4 credits [Spring]

This course is structured to give you an opportunity to make and explore art in a group setting. It will enable you to challenge your ideas of self-expression through art. By the end of the course you will have increased your understanding of how art-making relates to the processes of an art therapy group. You will work with the links between the visual, the spoken and the written, and you will keep an art journal or visual diary. There will be at least one gallery visit. Towards the end of the course you will present a visual display, and produce a 1,000-word written account of your experience. In order for this course to run, there must be a minimum number of students.

The Practice and Experience of Art Therapy

ATS3001A

4 credits [Spring]

This course introduces you to the practice of art therapy through seminars exploring the history of art therapy, case study presentations and discussion, and a visit to a relevant exhibition. There is some art-making in a group that will give you some experiential understanding of how art-making relates to the group processes, and how you can make links between the spoken and the visual and explore how these might be examined.
Level I

Practical Journalism

CUS1007A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

This course draws on the distinct approaches of both anthropology and sociology, and also focuses on the common ground between the two disciplines. You are introduced to the subjects’ key theorists and the historical development of both anthropology and sociology. Areas you study include: religion, health, sex and gender, family and kinship, language, class and caste, race, and culture and identity.

Understanding Society

CUS1010A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

This interdisciplinary course critically examines some of the key frameworks through which ideas of the modern were formulated in turn of the century Europe. It involves study of philosophical egoism and ideas of ‘mass’ culture; sciences of the cultural impact of Freud, Bergson, Einstein and eugenics; and Marxist interventions (with particular reference to Lukács). You study cultural movements associated with Modernism, such as Decadence, Vorticism, and Futurism, with particular reference to such writers as Wyndham Lewis, James Joyce, Gertrude Stein and Oscar Wilde.

People and Power: Introducing Politics

CUS1014A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

The underlying theme of this course is power. What is power? Who has power? How is power exercised? By examining these questions, with reference to contemporary political processes and institutions in the UK, you gain a critical introduction to the study of politics. The first part of the course looks at different conceptions of power, key political concepts and ideas such as the state, democracy and freedom, and different political ideologies. These concepts and ideas are then applied to contemporary political processes and institutions in the UK: the constitution, elections, political parties, interest groups, the media, globalisation and the nation-state, the European Union and sovereignty, local politics, participation and exclusion.

Writing Fiction (Beginners)

CUS1015A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

This course is suitable for beginners. After looking at ‘how to get started’, you cover the basic technical aspects of writing, exploring ways of releasing your imagination and what to do when inspiration fails. You have the support of the group throughout and the opportunity to share your work. The course is structured and practical, and by the end you can expect to have completed several short stories and perhaps to have embarked on a novel.

Creative Writing (Beginners)

CUS1016A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

If you haven’t decided in which form you want to write, this course is for you. You consider short stories, novel writing, poetry, drama and writing for television. Each class offers the opportunity to read out your work and receive feedback. The tutor then discusses forms of writing, and there is a practical writing task. Information is given on finding an agent/publisher, marketing, and contract and copyright laws. You are expected to be supportive and practical in your criticism of others’ work. By the end of the course, you should have a clear idea of what writing form you want to pursue.

Script and Screen

CUS1025A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

You focus on the writing of screen drama for cinema and TV, and participate in lectures, viewings and practical exercises. You consider visual narrative, creating premises, structure, characterisation and rewriting. You are asked to bring your own ideas in progress to classes for tutor comment or class reading, and you are encouraged to write directly for production.

Introduction to Film Studies

CUS1021A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

This course is designed as an accessible introduction to a broad range of methods for analysing and studying film. It is aimed at anyone with a keen interest in film, but with no previous knowledge of film studies as a field of study. It aims to stimulate critical thinking about the cinema as a popular medium of representation, as an art form and an entertainment industry. We will explore the history and development of cinema, applying concepts of film analysis to a wide range of films from different periods of cinema and from different parts of the world.

Hands-on Journalism

CUS1023A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

You cover all aspects of journalism with the aim of encouraging and assisting you to write confidently and to get published, if you wish. You explore ways of saying what you want to say clearly through reporting, interviewing and feature writing; emphasis is put on looking at potential markets for written work. Although the course concentrates on journalistic writing, we examine other aspects of media. You are encouraged to develop your own style through hands-on writing exercises, both creative and journalistic.

Body, Gender, Culture

CUS5004A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

This course is concerned with theorising the body and gender in an interdisciplinary way. Models discussed include: scientific understandings of the body; cultural understandings of the body; and the social construction of gender and sexuality. Specific areas considered may include: body beauty; cosmetic and other surgeries; age and ageing; illness, disability and eating disorders.

International Relations

CUS5005A
4 credits [Autumn] 4 credits [Spring]

PM

International relations is the study of how political, economic, security and cultural systems all interact on a global scale. You explore the evolution of international society by looking at the work of international institutions. You address the practical implications of familiar themes and concepts such as sovereignty, the balance of power, diplomacy, international law, security, nationalism and national interest. You examine the application of concepts such as dependency, neo-colonialism, foreign policy analysis, and trade relations in the 20th century, and consider live debates and practical case studies on topics such as diplomacy between states, regionalism, protectionism and globalisation.
Writing the Self

CU52006A
4 credits [Autumn]

PM

Examining the writing of memoir and autobiography in the development of the literary voice, this course offers a forum through which personal experiences can be explored and shared and will demonstrate how converting these into language can transform both individual and collective experience.

Writing for Performance

CU52007A
4 credits [Autumn]

PM

This module aims to develop your potential as a writer in the field of live performance. Classes are concerned with techniques and approaches to the organisation of material, and with developing your knowledge of new writing practice and furthering your original work. There are collaborative sessions with performance students to generate and experiment with dramatic material.

Writing the Self 2

CU52009A
4 credits [Spring]

PM

Building on the skills, techniques and methodologies acquired in Writing the Self, this course continues to explore the writing of memoir and autobiography and the development of the literary voice. Please note: you must have successfully completed Writing the Self to take this course.

Writing Fiction (Advanced)

CU52017A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

Prerequisite: previous writing experience.

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You are encouraged to improve your work in progress and to develop your writing skills. The course combines sharing work for supportive, constructive feedback with dynamic in-class projects, including experiments with narrative techniques and ways of tempting the imagination to take creative leaps. You take part in formal technical sessions, and receive advice on marketing your work. By the end of the course, you can expect to have written several short stories and/or made significant progress on a novel. You become more confident in your voice, your style and direction as a writer. Apart from in-class projects, you determine what/when/how much you write.

Race and Representation in ‘Popular’ Culture

CU53001A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

The roles of race and representation in the construction of identity in ‘popular’ culture are explored in this course. These roles are examined in an interdisciplinary manner, focusing on music, fashion, advertising and various types of mass media. The course takes a critical approach to the cultural politics of images of culture and identity, and how they influence our contemporary social identities.

Film and Anthropology

CU52018A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

You look at both anthropology through film, and film through anthropology. This course is intended to appeal to anyone interested in film, anthropology and/or communication studies, or in wider issues related to representation generally. It is in two parts. In the first part, theoretical issues related to representation are considered, concentrating on the use of visual imagery. The focus is on how imagery imparts knowledge and how this is perceived in different contexts. The question of power and resistance is a central theme. In the second part, the representation of witchcraft in film is taken as a case study.

Space, Place and Identity: Diasporas in the Modern World

CU53002A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

In this course you examine how boundaries between societies have become increasingly blurred over recent decades. You critically examine the recent wealth of new literature on how our notions of space have radically altered due to technology, migrations and the media. You chart the emergence of international capital and the migrations that followed in its wake, and the consequent new forms of cultural identity that have been born from the relocation of people in complex new social and political settings.

Surrealism in the Cinema

CU53005A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

Surrealism is one of the most important influences on the development of film, but study of this influence has had a very narrow focus, concentrating on the films made by the surrealists during the twenties. This course aims to open out debates around surrealism in the cinema, showing how they have mutually informed one another. It looks at the development of surrealism, noting the significant contributions made to film by surrealists in terms of film practices and theories. It considers the development of the film medium, and brings attention to later developments of surrealist theories and their importance for contemporary directors.

Popular Culture in Practice

CU53008A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

Examines the important area of cultural theory, which deals with popular culture, cultural value, and cultural identities. It explores issues of representation in relation to popular culture and helps you develop writing and research skills. The course looks at different theories of popular culture (for example, mass culture theory; culture industry, semiotics, popular culture and the carnivalesque; postmodernism) in the context of the popular novel, the musical and television culture.

Writing Culture 2

CU53009A
4 credits [Spring]

PM

Building on the skills, techniques and methodologies explored in Writing Culture, you will have the opportunity to explore your ancestral and cultural heritage and, as a result of your explorations, to develop a sustained piece of narrative prose. You must have successfully completed Writing Culture to take this course.

Egyptology

CU53020A
4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

PM

A systematic study of ancient Egypt’s rich heritage, focusing on aspects of its culture, namely, its history, institutions, industries, inhabitants, language, religion, technical development and art. Explores how history is constructed through the analysis and interpretation of archaeology and cultural data. Examines ancient Egyptian institutions, languages and literature. Investigates ancient Egyptian culture through African, Near-Eastern and Mediterranean sources. Includes museum visits.
Our psychology courses develop your understanding of the processes influencing how people think, feel, behave, and interact, addressing a wide range of conceptual and research issues in contemporary psychology. The courses deal with the broad themes of cognition, individual differences, biological and evolutionary issues, social functioning, and life-span development. At undergraduate and postgraduate levels, we aim to equip our students with a thorough knowledge and critical appreciation of psychological theory and research, and to develop analytical skills that will enable them to pursue successful careers both within the profession and outside it in other fields. Our BSc (Hons) in Psychology and MSc in Occupational Psychology are accredited by the British Psychological Society.

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**Level I**

**Prerequisites: none.**

**The Psychology of the Person**

PS51005A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You explore concepts and theories of human development; methods of studying individual differences; test administration; stability and change in behaviour; inheritance and environment; attitudes and attitude measurement; liking and attraction; and group processes.

**Level II**

**Prerequisite: all Level II courses require some college-level study of psychology.**

**Biological Substrates of Behaviour**

PS52001A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

This course covers six major areas of biological psychology: hormones, sexual motivation and sex differences; sleep and arousal; eating and body weight regulation; sexual selection and mate choice; brain evolution and development; and emotions and stress. You consider these topics in terms of neurological, neuropsychological, physiological, biochemical and genetic substrates.

**Level III**

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**Information Processing and Cognition**

PS51007A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

You examine aspects of perception; models of short-term memory and long-term memory; retrieval of information from long-term memory; learning in theory: classical and operant conditioning; and cognitive learning.

**Personality and Psychopathology**

PS52002A

4 credits [Autumn]
4 credits [Spring]

The course looks at the identification and measurement of individual differences in temperament; biological and environmental contributions to individual differences; theories of personality; and the relation between psychopathology and personality.

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Level III

Prerequisite: all Level III courses require two years’ college-level study of psychology.

Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience

4 credits [Autumn]

This course focuses on two main areas of research: perceptual, motor and cognitive development in infancy and childhood; and attachment and peer relationships. In each area, recent empirical and theoretical advances are discussed.

Psychopathology

4 credits [Spring]

Four major forms of psychopathology are considered (depression, anxiety and related disorders, schizophrenia, and addiction) with a focus on: [a] clinical description, [b] theoretical explanations from cognitive/behavioural perspectives, and [c] principles and evaluations of psychological interventions.

Anomalistic Psychology

4 credits [Autumn or Spring – to be confirmed]

You consider the relationship between psychology and parapsychology, which involves a discussion of the distinction between science and pseudo-science. The course also involves critical evaluation of various claims which – if valid – would have profound implications for mainstream psychology (including claims derived from astrology, psychoanalysis, alternative therapies, etc). Various psychological processes which underlie belief in such claims are discussed, and non-paranormal accounts of supposedly paranormal experiences (for example, precognitive dreams, sightings of UFOs, out-of-body experiences) are evaluated.

Cognitive Neuroscience

4 credits [Autumn or Spring – to be confirmed]

The course explores developments in understanding the neuro-psychology of both normal and abnormal human functioning. Specific topics include methodology in neuropsychology and cognitive neuropsychology; main techniques of investigation in neuropsychology; cognitive impairments following brain injury; dysfunctions of perception, language, memory, consciousness, executive processes and voluntary movements; dementia; and neuropsychological assessment; and rehabilitation.

Behavioural Genetics

4 credits [Spring]

You explore issues relating to the use of behavioural genetics techniques, including twin and adoption measures, imaging genomics and multivariate questions such as comorbidity, development and heterogeneity. Consideration is given to the associations between genetic and environmental influences as well as ethical issues.
Human Relationships in Lifespan Perspective

PS53035A

4 credits [Autumn]

This course provides an understanding of the nature and development of human relationships, including types of relationships, basic principles, and an understanding of relationship processes. The first half of the course focuses on parent-child and peer relationships in infancy, childhood, and adolescence. The second half focuses on romantic relationships in adulthood, and relationships in old age.

Psychological Approaches to Music

PS53036A

4 credits [Autumn]

This is an introduction to the study of music psychology. Lectures focus on the perception, cognition and neural basis of musical understanding, the perception of musical structure, and emotions and theories about music’s evolutionary roots. The scientific methods used in research are explored in a lab-based class. This course is offered in collaboration with the Department of Music.

Addictive Behaviour

PS53034A

4 credits [Spring]

You are introduced to psychological and neurobiological theories of addiction, and you consider and evaluate the extent to which behaviours commonly described as ‘addictive’ (including not only dependence on drugs and alcohol, but also excessive engagement in behaviours such as gambling and shopping) are motivated by similar outcomes and reflect the involvement of similar processes. You also study the efficacy of different treatment approaches.

Origins of Human Nature: Comparative and Evolutionary Approaches

PS53033A

4 credits [Autumn]

The aim of this course is to explore the origins of human intelligence. You consider two major theories: the technical intelligence hypothesis and the social intelligence hypothesis. In terms of technical intelligence, you look at topics such as complex foraging, causality, and tool-use and tool-making. In terms of social intelligence, you consider topics such as theory of mind, deception and social learning. You also learn about aspects of technical and social intelligence in modern groups of human hunter-gatherers.

At a height of 135 metres, the London Eye is the largest Ferris wheel in Europe, and the most popular paid tourist attraction in the UK.

Goldsmiths’ Department of Sociology is one of the largest in the UK. We have an established reputation for our contribution to contemporary sociological thought, and offer a vibrant and expanding research culture. We have a wide range of staff who lead research in their specialist fields, a lively mixture of students, and excellent facilities.

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See also Professional and Community Education: Cultural and Social Studies (page 59) for other courses in this subject.

Level I

Critical Readings: The Emergence of Sociological Rationality

SOS1002A
4 credits [Autumn]
10 credits [Full year]

You are introduced to sociology’s key thinkers by focusing on extracts from their writing. You concentrate on key texts in sociology and are expected to learn to read critically – that is, to think carefully about, analyse, compare, make links between, identify the arguments of, identify problems with, and formulate your own ideas and arguments about what you read. You are expected to develop the ability to approach and analyse texts with greater confidence.

Modern Knowledge, Modern Power

SOS1003A
4 credits [Autumn]
10 credits [Full year]

The course introduces you to the ‘sociological imagination’ in the work of classical social thinkers. You examine different structures and relations of power in a modern context, and how key sociological thinkers have analysed these. You examine the roots of sociology in the Enlightenment project with its concern with reason, freedom, progress and the individual, in order to consider the consequences of this project for other forms of society outside Western modernity.

Culture and Society

SOS1004A
4 credits [Autumn]
10 credits [Full year]

This course is primarily concerned with the relations between culture and social processes, and approaches these in a number of ways: by outlining various sociological uses of ‘culture’, by identifying the role of culture in examples of macrosocial phenomena (eg education, consumption, the city), and by discussing microsociological analyses of the role of culture in social interaction.

Researching Society and Culture

SOS1005A/6A
4 credits 5A [Autumn]/
4 credits 6A [Spring]

This course is lecture- and workshop-based and introduces you to the methods that sociologists have developed to analyse societies and to produce sociological knowledge. You also develop core skills in methods of research by being introduced to the practice of sociological research. Methods are introduced in relation to key sociological topics and research traditions, so you can confront methods as real practices rather than abstractions.

Level II

Central Issues in Sociological Analysis

SOS2001A
4 credits [Spring]

This course helps you to develop your understanding of sociological analysis through considering its origin in the classical tradition as well as exploring more recent developments. It aims to demonstrate the way in which different kinds of sociological explanation are grounded in different assumptions about the nature of society. It does this through exploring different approaches to two central concerns, ‘Place, Space and Agency’ and ‘Freedom, Power and Identity’. The first block introduces you to issues concerning relationships between place, space self and movement. Building on some of this work we go on to explore questions of freedom, sexuality, power and discipline in relationship to Marx, Nietzsche, Freud and Foucault.

The Making of the Modern World

SOS2002A
4 credits [Autumn]

The course builds on material already introduced in the Foundation year, and provides additional perspectives for the historical analysis of modernity. There is a growing consensus in contemporary scholarship on stressing the interdependence and complexity of the processes which contributed to the distinctiveness of modern societies, rather than assigning primacy to any one factor or process – whether economic, political, cultural or social. This course places an emphasis on historical reflexivity: it aims to show that historical processes, however multiple and complex, are not simply ‘given’ as historical objects but reflect the adoption of particular perspectives that are themselves historically specific.

Philosophy and Methodology of Social Science

SOS2003A
4 credits [Autumn]

This course aims to introduce you to critical debates about knowledge and method within sociology and related social sciences, and to examine how these debates have shifted over the history of the discipline. The objectives of the course are: to develop your understanding of classical approaches to sociological knowledge, and to introduce important recent contributions to these debates. To examine the status of sociology as a social ‘science’. To trace the connections between theory and methodology within social research. To critically examine the forms of knowledge produced by sociologists in relation to issues of values, politics, subjectivity and difference.

Culture, Representation and Difference

SOS2004A
4 credits [Spring]

The first part of the course discusses the conceptual and historical background to some key terms (in particular modernity, modernism, postmodernity and postmodernism) and looks at the relation between structural and cultural differentiation and division in large-scale, structurally complex and culturally heterogeneous contemporary societies. The second part introduces two important approaches to conceptualising and analysing the relations between culture and other social and economic processes through the works of Jeffrey Alexander and Norbert Elias. The third part looks at influential approaches to the analysis of the world of cultural texts and objects, and places these in their appropriate contexts. The final sessions explore the impact of globalisation on the sociological understanding of cultural processes.

Sociology of Culture and Communication

SOS2004B
4 credits [Spring]

The course explores the problem of cultural identity in terms of the complex relations between subjects and representational and discursive practices. We draw on work from cultural studies, sociology and social theory in order to think about the importance of culture in the construction of modern self-identity. Across the course, examples will be taken from advertising, mass media, fashion, photography, tattooing and other cultural forms.
Cultural Politics and Globalisation

SO52061A
4 credits [Autumn]

Through the icons of global culture – from Nike trainers to the cell phone – this course examines contemporary cultural and political issues. It examines how our possessions, the music we listen to, the things we touch, wear and eat are connected to globalisation. Culture has myriad conceptions and manifestations, and it is this openness that makes it such a potent space for politics. The course is divided into two halves. The first aims to introduce the ways in which global interconnection is understood within sociology. The second situates the discussion of cultural politics within an examination of musical cultures and subcultures.

Democracy and Domination: Concepts in Political Sociology

SO52078B
4 credits [Autumn]

This is an introduction to contemporary debates in political sociology and cultural studies of politics. You examine the politics of class and new social movements; privatisation and Thatcherism; globalisation and anti-globalisation; environmentalism and the politics of science; urban politics; regulation and political economy. You are expected to read both sociological texts and more popular analyses of contemporary politics; you are encouraged to focus on specific examples and to make links between their specific concerns and more general debates about politics in social and cultural theory.

Contemporary Cultural Theory

SO52079B
4 credits [Autumn]

This course provides you with an understanding of the relations between state, society and culture in the context of cultural studies (Gramscian to post-Foucauldian). You also apply, develop and question some of these analyses in relation to an increasingly ‘networked’ society. The analytical tools and perspectives of cultural studies are considered alongside notions such as the ‘new economy’, the ‘information society’, ‘post-Fordism’ and ‘actor-networks’.

Researching Society and Culture 2A & 2B

SO52083A/SO52084A
4 credits 83A (2A) [Autumn]
4 credits 84A (2B) [Spring]

This methods course aims to help you to make the transition from consuming sociological texts to designing and doing your own social research. It combines lectures that focus on the theory and rationale behind different methodological approaches with workshops in which you learn different approaches and techniques through discussion and hands-on experience. The course is designed in two halves: the first half concentrates on providing you with the skills necessary to practise research methods. The second half aims to provide you with the tools necessary to design your own research.

Nationalism, Fundamentalism and Cosmopolitanism

SO52091A
4 credits [Spring]

This course explores sociological theories of nationalism, fundamentalism and cosmopolitanism by looking at case studies drawn from the conflicts that followed the break-up of Yugoslavia, the anti-apartheid struggle in South Africa and the Israel/Palestine conflict. The course aims for a balance of theory and case study – in this way it anchors discussions of social theory to the actualities of particular social and historical situations.

Leisure, Culture and Society

SO52092A
4 credits [Spring]

This course examines the interconnections between leisure, culture and society. Entitled ‘leisure and the commodity form’, the first part of the course examines capitalist development and the development of leisure. The process of capitalist industrialisation transformed leisure from a collective activity, embedded in occupational communities, into market-based activities compatible with the dictates of the workplace. Several additional links between leisure, culture and society are made within this course. You then examine the Frankfurt School and the seminal analysis of the ‘culture industry’.

The Body: Social Theory and Social Practice

SO52093A
4 credits [Spring]

This course approaches sexuality as a historically and culturally constructed object through which we presume to know or not know ourselves and others. It begins with a historical perspective on how sexuality has come to function as a mode of normalisation and regulation, a promise of liberation, an acclaimed site of pleasure and/or desire as well as a centrepiece in debates on censorship and representation. While the course is structured by different thematic areas such as sexology, HIV/AIDS, public/private rulings on intimacy and sexual citizenship, it includes considerable attention to the theoretical contributions of Foucault, Queer and Feminist theory.

Consumer Culture

SO52096A
4 credits [Spring]

Introduces sociological approaches to the study of the history and development of consumer culture. The course includes an account of the role of capital, the market and neo-liberalism in the rise of consumer culture. The role of the state – and the importance of the citizen-consumer – are also addressed. The course goes on to include a discussion of the importance of class, ‘race’, gender and age in the expansion of the circuits of consumption. This leads into a discussion of the mediatisation of the economy, and the contemporary significance of branding. The course concludes with a discussion of the ethics and politics of consumer culture.

Space and Society: Theory with Research

SO52097A
4 credits [Spring]

How do we live in space? How do we imagine space? How is space invented? The production, representation and performance of space is central to understanding these questions. Both reading and sociological fieldwork form the basis of the learning. You consider a series of case studies from public and private domains. These include cities, places of work, public spaces, national ceremonies and institutional locations. Museums, civic sites, monuments, boulevards, ruins, old picture palaces and walks in the city are all essential to the journeys you will make on this course. The course is both conceptual and practice based. You will be familiarised with a range of methods for activities in field work.
Issues in Contemporary Social Theory

SOC3022A
4 credits [Spring]
You focus on recent debates in social and cultural theory. Main themes include Marxism and modernity; ethics and identity; difference and identity; the body in social theory; science and technology; recent debates in feminist theory; ‘race’ and contemporary social theory; modernity and post-modernity; and ‘postmodern sociology’.

Philosophy, Politics and Altherity

SOC3063A
4 credits [Autumn]
This course considers the work of contemporary cultural theorists in relation to questions of alterity (difference). It aims to give you a sense of the political spaces and problematics that have been opened up as the certain key thinkers chosen for the course deal with questions of the self, subjectivity and difference, in particular gender, sexuality and racialised difference.

Race, ‘Racism’ and Social Theory

SOC3149A
4 credits [Spring]
You examine the emergence of modern ideas of ‘race’ and racism, and their development as social and political forces. You look at them from the theoretical perspectives of sociology, feminism, and social and cultural theory. The course considers the changing manifestations of race and racism during transatlantic slavery, systems of plantation slavery in the Caribbean and the USA, colonialism in south Asia and central Africa, later processes of forced labour, the emergence of National Socialism from the 1920s, and the impact of the Holocaust. You consider a range of theoretical approaches that have attempted to account for the impact of ‘race’ in contemporary social and political processes.

Reasarching Culture: Case Studies

SOC3042A
4 credits [Autumn]
This course engages you in a range of research methods for the analysis of culture in its many forms and contexts. The course is workshop based and provides you with hands-on experience of different methods. You are introduced through a series of case studies to textual analysis, ethnography and audience analysis, and you are encouraged to consider how some of the more complex theoretical questions addressed in cultural studies, such as cultural objects and cultural identity, might be empirically researched.

Childhood Matters: Society, Theory and Culture

SOC3043A
4 credits [Autumn]
You approach childhood as a sociohistorically constructed concept, with material, technological and political dimensions and consequences. Through a mixture of theoretical readings and issue-based discussions, you explore the regulated constitution of childhood and its changing parameters. You have the chance to look at significant aspects of contemporary childhood. Some of the main areas you explore include: changing household patterns from the child’s perspective, child sexual abuse, infancy and foetal life, and children’s literature.

Law, Identity and Ethics

SOC3044A
4 credits [Spring]
You explore key theories of the relationship between identity and the law. You consider accounts of identity and law by examining important debates in legal and social theory, from Kant to critical race theory. You explore concepts of law and identity in early modern debates, how they shaped contemporary questions, and then examine contemporary debates concerning the subject, the legal and the just. You consider these different approaches using case studies such as legal concepts of ‘the person’; sexual assault; asylum law; citizenship; transitional democracy; and human rights.

Citizenship and Human Rights

SOC3045A
4 credits [Spring]
This course is concerned with the history, theory and politics of citizenship and human rights. You consider the historical development of the nation-state and the international state systems that produced the social and political conditions of citizenship and human rights. You discuss questions such as: are human rights cosmopolitan? Is there a human rights movement? Does the enforcement of human rights increase democracy? Are human rights structured so that they necessarily privilege certain groups as human?

Global Development and Underdevelopment

SOC3046A
4 credits [Spring]
You develop a critical and historical understanding of the issues which inform contemporary debates on globalisation. You consider the fields of development studies and sociology of development, focusing mainly on political economy and institutions. You look at: modernisation and its critics: the sociology of development; the development of underdevelopment and world systems; culture and development; and contemporary anti-globalisation movements.

Animals and Society

SOC3047A
4 credits [Spring]
This course is concerned with the role of animals in modern western societies, and begins with an overview of the key western philosophical debates about the nature of the animal and the human. Historical changes in the ways in which animals have been represented, in animals’ symbolic role, and in the relations between humans and animals are then presented. The changing role of animals in representing particular virtues and vices, animals’ changing economic function, and the shifting interpersonal relations between humans and animals will be explored over the course of classical and medieval periods, the Enlightenment and modernity, and into late modernity.
Vision, Truth and Knowledge

SO53073A
4 credits [Spring]

This course addresses the relations between vision, visuality, and the production of truths and knowledges in Euro-American culture. It approaches these issues by outlining various sociological arguments about the socially and historically specific character of vision and visuality; by exploring the relation between vision, truth and knowledge through an analysis of a variety of visual technologies (perspective, camera, digital technology); and by examining the different ways that vision and visuality contribute to the production and reproduction of individual and group identities across a range of domains (colonial archives, contemporary film, medicine, law).

Making Data Matter

SO53047A
4 credits [Autumn]

This course offers a new approach to understanding social research through data analysis. It avoids formalistic presentations of statistics and qualitative data analysis techniques. Instead it asks questions about central sociological concerns about class gender and race and then sees how the resources of the UK data archive and the ESDS qualidata archive can be mobilised to answer these questions. The course draws on knowledge gained in other research methods units to support the application of this knowledge to a particular substantive research project. A key concern is how theoretical insights can be applied and developed in the context of empirical social research.

Marxism

SO53053A
4 credits [Spring]

An introduction to basic concepts developed from Marxist theory that are now ubiquitous elsewhere—such as class, value, alienation, exploitation, and fetishism. Each week focuses on a basic concept; starts with its original source, explains, contextualises, and traces its development and critique as it progresses through social theory and sometimes into popular uses. Each concept is interrogated then developed in relation to contemporary issues, exploring its significance and explanatory power as a critical sociological tool. A seminar follows each lecture. This is an intense close-reading course; you need to read the original text and the secondary commentary for each week.
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Visual Cultures

We specialise in the histories and theories of modern and contemporary visual practices from around the world. Taking an interdisciplinary approach, we look at ways in which art engages with urgent social, cultural and political issues in the world. Therefore we explore visual culture within a framework of critical theory, philosophy and cultural studies. Included are issues of cultural difference, performativity, visual display, aurality, encounters with audiences and the production of subjectivities. Our approach to learning, teaching and research at all academic levels is exploratory and innovative, yet rigorous.

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Patterns of Perception

HT52056A
4 credits [Autumn]
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10 credits [Full year]

Questions concerning perception, cognition and spectatorship are crucial to the study of art history and visual culture. This course is philosophical and creative/experimental in approach. It provides a critical introduction to the diverse theories, understandings and experiences of perception and of the perceptual world that have been influential from the early modern period onwards. Focusing on key cultural artefacts and perceptual scenarios/practices, we consider what notions of reality, possibility and impossibility have been produced, proposed and/or critically engaged with, and what implications these might have for us today. Texts include works by Descartes, Borges, Heidegger, Bataille, Merleau-Ponty, Foucault, Barthes, Virilio, Dussel, Trinh T Minh-Ha and Avital Ronell.

The Moving Image

HT52063A
4 credits [Autumn]
4+4 credits [Autumn and Spring]
10 credits [Full year]

You are introduced to various theoretical approaches to the moving image, ranging from the melodrama to the documentary, experimental cinema and video art, through both historical and contemporary examples. Readings and discussions are informed by key film theoretical writings as much as by critical theory, postcolonial theory, feminist theory, cultural studies and anthropology, while questions of realism, the political and cultural differences are given priority. One aim of the course is learning to look at and work with formal aspects of screen works and develop analytical skills towards your own informed and creative ways to write about and with moving images.

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### Visualising Difference
**VC52057A**

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This course has evolved from the field of Postcolonial study, but is concerned with all forms of difference as negotiated by the visual realm and thus incorporates gendered, raced, classed and queered discourses. Through a varied and interdisciplinary study of cultural texts, including film, contemporary art, theory, popular culture and literature, you negotiate this difficult terrain intended to challenge your own subject positions as consumers and producers of texts. The course is student-centred and loosely structured around four key themes – Performativity, Narrative, Image Politics and Space – tackling notions such as Drag, Spectacle, Whiteness, Authorship, Identity and Hybridity.

### Post-Modernities
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Cyborgs and Nomads, Simulations and Virtualities, Machinics and Rhizomatics: postmodernity encapsulates a bewildering array of new technologies, practices and paradigms. This course aims to introduce some of them – and to explore what we mean by postmodernity and postmodernism. Beginning with an exploration from an historical perspective (the crisis in modernism), the course goes on to engage critically with Post-structuralism, at the same time exploring the postmodern. The course does not intend to be an historical narrative or a theoretical overview. Case studies are used in exploring the terrain beyond modernity – and beyond modernism – relating specifically to art and visual culture.

### Beckett and Aesthetics
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You explore the concept of aesthetics through the prose, theatre, radio and film work of Samuel Beckett in conjunction with the work of a range of visual, aural and performance artists such as Jasper Johns, Bruce Nauman, John Cage, Helen Chadwick and Janet Cardiff. You examine the philosophical foundations for a contemporary understanding of aesthetics. You address key debates in contemporary art concerning the body and the sublime, questioning the ways in which issues such as originality, appropriation, transformation and representation function within the literary and visual arts.
Associate Studentships

**Associate Graduate Studentship**

This is a ‘tailor-made’ postgraduate-level programme where you select a portfolio of courses from our Master’s programmes and effectively create your own programme content. This allows you to spend from three months up to a year following classes and studying under the supervision of a tutor at Goldsmiths. You may simply wish to explore a topic at a graduate level or you might be registered at another university and want to specialise your study and research as part of a wider study plan.

You choose courses – from one or more departments – which run during the terms you are at Goldsmiths and add up to the correct number of credits for your period of study. Goldsmiths’ academic year works on a three-term system – Autumn, Spring and Summer – term dates for 2010-11 are on page 81. You are expected to undertake a full course load for your period of study.

If you intend to follow this course as a part of another programme at another university, you will need to check with your home university the courses you may be required to take to obtain credit, and provide suitable alternatives to your first choices. It is not always possible to offer you your first choice of course because of limits on numbers, or timetabling. Your performance is examined or assessed on each course, and a grade is awarded under the British grading system. Your transcript also records Goldsmiths’ advice as to the number of credits you have taken, but the interpretation of these credits is a matter for your home university or college. There are set requirements for each course which you will be expected to meet. No classes can be taken by audit.

**Associate Research Studentship**

We invite you to submit an application, with an indication of the courses you wish to follow and the time period you wish to attend. You are supported by the academic structure of the relevant department, which includes tutorial contact and lectures and seminars.

**Entrance requirements**

Normally a Bachelor’s (undergraduate) degree or the equivalent in a relevant subject, or a proven record or professional/work experience in the subject.

**How to apply**

Please complete the postgraduate taught applications form, available at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/apply. Please provide a list of the individual courses you would like to follow, and indicate the dates you would like to spend at Goldsmiths. Please send your application to the Student Recruitment and International Office, as on page 13.
Information
Facilities
Cutting edge

Goldsmiths has a wide range of facilities that will help you make the most of your time here, enabling you to develop your understanding of your chosen subject and investigate areas of interest beyond your studies.

Rutherford Building

The Rutherford Building (RB) at Goldsmiths provides a modern, flexible learning space with numerous facilities for group and individual study, giving you access on one site to library books, journals, computer workstations, language-learning resources, extensive multimedia and audio-visual facilities, and computer-based teaching rooms. Long opening hours mean that you can be flexible in terms of when you choose to study. The building stays open until midnight seven days a week during term time and Christmas and Easter vacations.

Library

Our library is well equipped with an extensive collection of printed and electronic resources, as well as special collections and archives covering a range of 20th-century creative and performing arts, and social sciences. You can take a virtual tour of the library online at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/library. You’ll be given a library tour and information skills training when you arrive at Goldsmiths.

—University of London Library and other libraries

As a Goldsmiths degree student you’re able to borrow books from the University of London Library, Senate House. You will also be able to use the libraries of other UoL institutions to consult specialised materials not available in the library at Goldsmiths.

IT facilities

—Computing facilities

Computer workstations within the RB comprise a mixture of PCs and Apple Macs. In addition to Microsoft Office, PCs have software for statistical analysis, bibliography, graphics and web authoring, while Mac systems have similar software but with more emphasis on industry-standard graphics, desktop publishing, and multimedia. All computers have e-mail facilities, and provide access to the internet, and to central shared resources such as course and training materials. We also have scanners, specialist equipment for video editing, and rooms for computer-based class teaching. Help Desk staff are available to answer your queries.

The wireless network at Goldsmiths will enable you to bring your own laptop onto campus and benefit from access to the web, your College shared files, and e-mail. There are dozens of wireless hotspots across the campus, including the Library, the Students’ Union and on the back field. Three halls of residence provide network access from student rooms, while a further two have access from communal areas.

Our Virtual Learning Environment (VLE), learn.gold, is a highly interactive website where lecturers can provide students with course materials, practice assessments, and learner support. Students can also start their own website, wiki or blog.

—Media facilities

The Digital Media Suite (DMS) in the RB provides materials, facilities, support and services to help you with all your media requirements from video to audio, and from photography to photocopying. If you need assistance when preparing for a project in a particular audio-visual medium then it’s the place to come. The Centre offers various do-it-yourself creative and production facilities including digital video editing (adding special effects, titles, and so on), video copying, making stills from videos, downloading digital stills, copying images from books or artwork to digital camera or 35mm slide or print, and sound copying and recording. A Copy Centre provides self-service photocopying, and binding and laminating facilities, and a Media Equipment Centre in the Richard Hoggart Building provides an equipment loan service.

Language-learning facilities

Whether you’re interested in learning a new language, studying a language as part of your degree, or keen to build on existing language skills, the Languages Resource Centre in the RB can help you achieve your goals. Facilities include bookable video viewing rooms, computers with software for computer assisted language learning, listening facilities, a large open access area where you can view video broadcasts, and foreign language periodicals. A comprehensive collection of foreign language documentaries and feature films will aid your progression in this area, and staff at the Language Advisory Desk can guide you through the materials available.

Ben Pimlott Building

The Ben Pimlott Building has state-of-the-art facilities that reflect Goldsmiths’ famous interdisciplinary approach to higher education, housing facilities for the Department of Art, the Centre for Cognition, Computation and Culture, and the Goldsmiths Digital Studios.

Departmental facilities

Many of the academic departments within Goldsmiths have special facilities designed to aid and enhance the learning experience of their students. These facilities include: nine specialist research laboratories in the Department of Art (casting; constructed textiles, digital media and video; fine art printmaking; metalwork; photography; print and dye; stitch and fabric; woodworking); extensive workshop facilities covering production processes, modelling for mass production, and a computing suite enabling 2D and 3D media, multimedia and CAD in Design; a 160-seat theatre and three performance studios in the Department of Drama; and a photography studio, radio studio, TV studio, editing suites and video animation facilities in Media and Communications.

Bank

A NatWest bank on campus is open every weekday, providing a range of banking facilities and a cash point machine (ATM). A Student Liaison Officer is available to offer help and advice, and to answer any questions.

Contacts

IT Services
+44 (0)20 7919 7550
it-services@gold.ac.uk

Languages Resource Centre
+44 (0)20 7919 7180
lrchelp@gold.ac.uk

Library
+44 (0)20 7919 7150
library@gold.ac.uk

Media Services (including DMS)
+44 (0)20 7919 7622
media-services@gold.ac.uk

University of London Library
+44 (0)20 7862 8500
enquiries@shlion.ac.uk
www.ull.ac.uk
Immigration
UK Immigration control affects everyone who is not a British National – unless you already have no limit or restriction on your stay in the UK. EU, EEA and Swiss Nationals can live, work and study in the UK with very few restrictions. All other nationals who want to come and study in the UK must first obtain entry clearance as a student (a student visa). For more information, contact the British Embassy or High Commission in your home country or visit www.ukvisas.gov.uk.

This can sometimes take several weeks to complete, so you are advised to get the process started as soon as possible.

—Do not enter the UK without entry clearance as a student (student visa) if you intend to study for more than six months. You may be refused entry, and you cannot switch to ‘student’ status later within the UK.

If you are aged over 18 and you are coming to study on a course of six months or less you may hear that you can come to the UK as a ‘student visitor’, instead of as a ‘student’. If you choose to come as a ‘student visitor’, you will be much more restricted than if you come as a ‘student’. You will not be allowed to do any work (paid or unpaid), you will not be allowed to apply to extend your stay in the UK and it is not possible to switch from ‘student visitor’ to ‘student’ from within the UK. So it is not usually appropriate to come to the UK as a ‘student visitor’. We even recommend Study Abroad students to avoid ‘Student Visitor’ status.

—Do not enter the UK as a ‘visitor’ if your intention is to study. The immigration rules prohibit those with ‘visitor’ immigration permission from studying, and you cannot switch from ‘visitor’ to ‘student’ from within the UK.

For information on the process of applying for entry clearance as a student please visit www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/howtoapply/infos/inf5students

UKCISA produce a helpful information sheet called ‘Student immigration before you come to the UK’ which provides advice on the immigration requirements for students planning to study in the UK: www.ukcisa.org.uk/student/info_sheets/planning_study.php.

The Immigration Rules Part 3 set out the requirements for those wishing to come to the UK as a ‘student’: www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/policyandlaw/immigrationlaw/immigrationrules/part3. It can take some time to obtain entry clearance as a student, so you should apply as soon as possible. There may be different regulations for each country – eg in the USA, biometric appointments are required as part of the process.

Please make sure that you carry your unconditional offer letter and acceptance certificate from Goldsmiths with you in your hand luggage so that you can present them to the Immigration Officer at the port of entry, if they ask to see them. We would also recommend that you carry details of how you will be funding your studies as evidence that you can pay your fees and living costs without needing to work in the UK or claiming public funds. Please be aware that under new Home Office rules if you do not come to or complete your enrolment, fail to attend satisfactorily, or subsequently withdraw from your programme of study, Goldsmiths may be obliged to inform the Home Office that you are not attending as a student.

Please note this information refers to the UK Immigration System at the time of writing. The UK Government has introduced a new Points Based System for Immigration. Tier 4, which affects students, came into force in March 2009. We will provide more information as it is released by the UK Government. Please check regularly for updates on the UK Visa Service Section website: www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en.

**Employment**

As an international student it is important to check your visa before seeking employment as you may not be permitted to work in the UK.

If you are studying on a course of six months or less it is likely that you will not be permitted to work.

If you are studying on a course of more than six months it is likely that you will have been issued with a restriction rather than a prohibition on working.

If your visa states ‘No recourse to public funds. Work and other changes must be authorised’ or ‘Able to work as authorised by the Secretary of State’ then you have been given a restriction.

You will be restricted as follows:

—Maximum working hours – 20 hours per week during term time (please note that this includes both paid and unpaid work).
—You can work full time during vacations (NB postgraduate students remain restricted to 20 hours per week during the long summer vacation as this is when you will be working on your dissertation).
—Must not engage in business, be self-employed, or provide service as a professional sports person or entertainer.
—Must not pursue a career by filling a full-time vacancy.

If you are found in breach of the restrictions it is very serious and can lead to expulsion from the UK.

Remember that when applying for entry clearance you will need to show UK immigration authorities that you can pay your fees and living costs without needing to work. You cannot claim welfare benefits.

Goldsmiths has trained advisers on campus to offer immigration and employment advice - see www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/student-support. For further information about working during your studies please see: www.ukcisa.org.uk/student/working_during.php.
Applying

How to apply

Please complete and return the application form at the back of this Prospectus if you are applying for Study Abroad status, or you are an Exchange Student – a student at a university with which Goldsmiths has an exchange agreement. To apply for an Associate Graduate or Associate Research Studentship, please see page 72.

Agencies

Goldsmiths has co-operative agreements with several organisations which assist in the counselling and placement of American students in British universities and colleges, typically for all or part of their Junior Year. The organisations include:

Arcadia University Center for Education Abroad
Glenside, PA 19038, tel (215) 572 2901

Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE)
7 Custom House Street, 3rd Floor, Portland ME 04101, tel 1-800 40-STUDY

Cultural Experiences Abroad (CEA)
2005 W 14th Street, Ste 113, Tempe, AZ 85281-6977, tel 1-800-266-4441

InterStudy/USA
63 Edward Street, Medford, MA 02155, tel (800)663 1999 or (781)391 0991.

The time in the UK is five hours later than EST.

Alternatively, check at your home university’s Study Abroad office, as you may be eligible to apply direct to Goldsmiths.

Entrance requirements

College requirements and GPA

Normally, you must:

— have completed two years of college-level study before beginning your programme at Goldsmiths

and

— be in good standing at your home university or college.

If you are applying from an American-system college or university, you should have achieved a GPA of at least 3.0. If you have a lower GPA we may still consider you, particularly if you want to concentrate on a decided major and have an adequate GPA in previous work in that subject.

English Language

The majority of classes are taught in English. If English is not your first language, you must satisfy us that your English is of a high enough standard. You will need:

— a minimum IELTS score of 6.5

or

— TOEFL – a score of at least 580 including 4.5 in the Test of Written English (TWE), or 237 in the computerised test (CT) including 4.5 in the essay component, or 92 in the internet-based test (IBT)

The Language Studies Centre runs a number of English Language courses, which you can take before you begin your programme of study. You can contact them on +44 (0)20 7919 7402, or e-mail langstudies@gold.ac.uk. Visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/language-studies-centre for more details.

Prerequisites

In some cases, there are prerequisites for courses, or groups of courses (e.g. Level II Politics courses). These are clearly indicated either underneath the course titles or at the start of each course section. Please make sure that you read and understand all requirements before choosing courses.

You must meet any prerequisites before you arrive at Goldsmiths, and we make offers of places on the condition that you will meet them. You do not need to have met these requirements before you apply.

How do I choose my courses?

You choose courses – from one or more departments – which run during the terms you are at Goldsmiths and add up to the correct number of credits for your period of study; please see below. Goldsmiths’ academic year works on a three-term system – Autumn, Spring and Summer – and term dates for 2011-12 are shown on the next page.

You cannot choose to study courses for the Summer term only, unless this is specifically stated. The start of the academic year is in September and below each course title there is a guide to show the term(s) in which the course is taught, and the credit weighting for each term’s work.

You are expected to undertake a full course load for your period of study. You must choose courses that add up to the following number of credits:

— Full academic year: 36 credits

— Autumn or Spring term only: 16 credits

— Autumn and Spring terms: 32 credits

— Spring and Summer terms: 20 credits

You will need to check with your home university the courses you may be required to take to obtain credit, and provide suitable alternatives to your first choices. It is not always possible to offer you your first choice of course because of limits on numbers, or timetabling. We cannot guarantee that you will be able to make changes on arrival.

Your performance is examined or assessed on each course, and a grade is awarded under the British grading system. Your transcript also records Goldsmiths’ advice as to the number of credits you have taken, but the interpretation of these credits is a matter for your home university or college. There are set requirements for each course which you will be expected to meet. No classes can be taken by audit.
Application procedure

Please use the application form at the back of this Prospectus. If you need additional copies, either download it at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad or contact the Student Recruitment and International Office (see page 13).

You must fully complete all sections of the application form and return it to the Student Recruitment and International Office at Goldsmiths, together with any additional documentation requested. Please write clearly, using block capitals. Unreadable or incomplete applications cannot be processed. Please check your application carefully, as mistakes will cause delay.

You will need to send the following documents with your application:

— a reference
— a copy of your academic transcripts or exam results
— a portfolio of your work if applying for practice-based art or design courses.

Returning your work

Please ensure you pack your portfolio securely as Goldsmiths cannot accept any responsibility for any loss or damage; do not send originals. If you’d like us to return your work, please enclose a suitable self-addressed return envelope, together with the appropriate reply-paid coupon or postage stamps. We cannot return your work if you do not do so; in such cases, you must arrange collection of your work by the end of the first week of October 2011 – Goldsmiths will arrange automatic disposal after this date.

Application form guidance notes

We will use the information you provide in sections 4, 6 and 7 of the application form to assess your suitability and eligibility for the courses. Other information will be used for statistical and planning purposes, and for seeking to make arrangements for disabled students who are admitted. If you become a student at Goldsmiths as a result of this application, information which you provide on this form will become part of your student record. If you do not, it will be destroyed, normally approximately one year after your proposed entry date.

If there is not enough space for your entry on any section of the form you should add separate sheets and note on the relevant section of the form that you have done so. Read your entries on the form before you send it to us and remember that we only have the information you provide and cannot consider an incomplete application.

You are advised to keep a copy of your completed form for your own records before submitting this copy to the College.

It may be possible to make this application form available in a large print format – please contact us on +44 (0)20 7919 7700.

Application deadline

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Offers of places

After you have accepted our offer of a place, you will be sent a confirmation letter together with an Acceptance Sheet which you must sign and return to Goldsmiths to secure your place. Since Goldsmiths receives more applications for Study Abroad status than it can accept, submission of an application is not a guarantee of acceptance.

Term dates

- **Autumn term**
  26 September 2011-16 December 2011

- **Spring term**
  9 January 2012-23 March 2012

- **Summer term**
  23 April 2012-15 June 2012

Welcome programme

You will attend a welcome programme before beginning your period of study. The programme introduces you to Goldsmiths’ facilities and services and the local area, and gives general advice about life in the UK. You should not make any other arrangements during the welcome period. We will assume that you have attended this programme and that the information provided is known to you. The welcome programme for students starting their studies in the Autumn term will take place in the week beginning 19 September 2011. The provisional date for the Spring term welcome programme is 5-6 January 2012; please contact the Student Recruitment and International Office for confirmation of the date.
Study Abroad and Exchange Students pay full-cost fees, whatever their country of origin. Financial support from the UK Government is only available to undergraduate students who can satisfy conditions related to the length and purpose of their residence in the UK, and who have no restrictions on living in the UK.

Fees and living expenses

—Tuition fees
Fees are set by study period. The 2011-12 tuition fees are expected to be as follows:

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High cost programmes are those with a major studio or laboratory content, or which mainly involve Art Practice, Computing, Design, Drama, Music or Psychology — or any combination of these subjects. It is likely that Art students will have to pay for some materials during their course; you will be sent a materials list with details of costs. Further advice on the costs of study is given to you when you accept our offer of a place.

—Living expenses
London can be an expensive city, but Goldsmiths is situated in a relatively inexpensive area. We estimate that as a single undergraduate you will need at least £8,000 per academic year for your living and accommodation expenses. This figure does not include international flights, and is based on an academic year of 40 weeks.

Exchange students
Exchange students do not have to pay tuition fees, but other costs are estimated at £8,000 for the academic year.

Opening a bank account
It is advisable that you open a UK bank account once you arrive in the UK. You can open a student account at any high street bank. Goldsmiths has a branch of NatWest on campus, and Citibank are able to offer you an account that enables you to transfer money between a UK and US Citibank account. See www.gold.ac.uk/international/regions/usa/citibankaccount for more information on opening a Citibank account.

Foreign exchange control
It is very important that you make arrangements for the transfer of funds to pay your fees and maintenance costs before you come to the UK. This is a particular problem in countries with strict exchange control regulations, such as Nigeria and Iran. Remember that your fees are due at the beginning of your period of study, and you will not be allowed to attend classes unless you can make satisfactory arrangements for payment.

Banker’s draft
The cheapest way of bringing money into the UK, for fees etc, is to get a banker’s draft in pounds sterling drawn on a bank in the UK. It will be more expensive to get a pounds sterling cheque drawn on a foreign bank outside the UK, due to extra bank charges levied by the banking system here.

International currency transfer
If you choose to send money through a bank in your home country (an ‘International currency transfer’), indicate that you will pay all bank and agent’s charges; this may help you to avoid further bank charges when the money reaches Goldsmiths’ bank. You should keep a copy of the transaction note to bring with you.

Other methods of payment
If you choose to pay by any other method, you will have to pay extra bank charges levied by the banking system, which is outside the control of Goldsmiths’ management and bank.

Please note: if you are transferring money directly into Goldsmiths’ account, please add £20 sterling to cover bank charges and ensure your name is clearly stated on the payment instruction.

Please note that Goldsmiths, University of London will never ask you to send your bank details by e-mail. We will only e-mail you from an address ending in @gold.ac.uk. If you receive an e-mail asking you for your bank details, do not reply or forward any money; please contact us immediately by e-mailing studyabroad@gold.ac.uk.
All Study Abroad students are guaranteed a place in Goldsmiths accommodation for the duration of their programme of study, as long as they complete and return the Accommodation Application Form (at the back of this Prospectus) with their acceptance letter; terms and conditions apply.

We recognise that accommodation is a very important factor for Study Abroad students, so we have invested in refurbishing and developing our halls of residence. It is our policy wherever possible to allocate Study Abroad students to places throughout all halls of residence; we believe that this helps you to gain a broader picture of British university life and to meet and to make friends with students from different programmes. We do try to ensure that each hall has a good mix of students from different countries and backgrounds, and on different courses and at various stages of study, so that you quickly make friends across a wide section of the Goldsmiths community.

The accommodation ranges from self-contained flats and converted period houses to more traditional halls of residence. All accommodation is self-catered, containing shared kitchens, and there are many affordable cafés and restaurants in the local area.

All of our halls have the facility to connect to the internet. This ranges from direct room access, wireless common rooms and personal telephone lines (private contracts would be required). Most of the accommodation is mixed, although we do aim to provide a limited number of all-female flats on request. Every hall has a team of staff nearby, including administrative staff, resident assistants, and security officers. There will always be someone available to contact, day and night.

Although we cannot provide Goldsmiths housing for Study Abroad students’ families, our Accommodation Office can give you information on accommodation in the local area through the University of London Housing Service (ULHS), http://housing.london.ac.uk/cms. There’s plenty of accommodation available in South East London, much of it close to Goldsmiths; an added bonus is that it’s one of the cheaper areas in London to rent. Other resources available in addition to the University of London Housing Services are accommodation agencies, local newspapers and shops, and Goldsmiths noticeboards. Individual room rents range from around £90 to £125 per week in the private sector.

Costs

Accommodation fees include all the costs of heating and lighting, meaning that budgeting becomes relatively simple. The fees for 2011-12 weren’t available when this Prospectus went to print, so the fees for 2009-10 are shown to give you an idea of costs:

Cost (per person, per week):
Single room, self-catering £88.90 to £119.20, depending on facilities. Studio flats range from £156 to £200 per week. You can contact the Accommodation Office after May 2011 to find out the latest costs.

Please note that variable rates apply for Study Abroad students if your period of study is on a short-term basis (ie one or two terms only). Please see our website, as below, for the latest information on current accommodation fees.

To see our current brochure, visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/accommodation. Or contact the Accommodation Office, Goldsmiths, University of London, New Cross, London SE14 6NW, United Kingdom, tel +44 (0)20 7919 7130, fax +44 (0)20 7919 7269, e-mail accommodation@gold.ac.uk.

Our virtual tours let you take a closer look at some of Goldsmiths’ accommodation. www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/virtual-tours
Support at Goldsmiths

Goldsmiths Medical Officers will see all students here for less than six months at no charge, but you will have to pay for medications and any other NHS treatment. If you are staying in the UK for more than six months, you should register for medical treatment on arrival, either with the Goldsmiths Medical Centre or a local doctor. Those staying for shorter periods cannot register, but can obtain treatment from the Medical Centre under the terms stated above. Before coming to the UK, you are also advised to have your eyes and teeth examined, and to have appropriate immunisation including BCG (tuberculosis), Meningitis C and Mumps vaccinations.

For more information about health and healthcare in the UK, visit www.ukvisa.org.uk/files/pdf/info_sheets/keeping_healthy.pdf.

Students with specific learning difficulties and/or disabilities

Goldsmiths welcomes applications from students with specific learning difficulties and/or disabilities (SpLDD). The term ‘specific learning difficulty’ refers to a problem with particular aspects of learning. The most common ones are dyslexia, dyspraxia, attention deficit disorder (ADD), dyscalculia, and dysgraphia; Asperger’s Syndrome may also be covered.

We are committed to a policy which allows, as far as reasonably possible, for equality of opportunity and access to higher and further education. If you declare on your application form that you have a disability, we will write to you to ask for more information to help us assess how we can arrange any support you may need. This is independent of your academic assessment and will only be taken into account once you are to be offered a place on a programme of study.

Support can include: enabling access to personal support if appropriate; arranging specific, non-subject based tutorial support if you have a specific learning difficulty; providing access to special examination arrangements; and organising where possible for teaching to take place in accessible accommodation. Some areas of the campus are not fully accessible to people with mobility difficulties, so if you have such difficulties we recommend that you visit the campus so that we can show you around and discuss appropriate solutions.

Disability Team
Goldsmiths has a Disability Team who are the main point of contact for students with specific learning difficulties and/or disabilities. The Disability Team can assist in the organisation of any support that you might need. They are the point of contact for any queries you have before you submit your application.

Assistive Technology Centre (ATC)
The ATC is an open access computer workstation/study room for the use of all students with a disability, specific learning difficulty or health-related problem that makes studying difficult. The computers in the ATC have access to the usual software available elsewhere, plus some specialist software that you might find useful, including TextHELP, Inspiration, Kurzweil 3000, Dragon Naturally Speaking, Luna, and Jaws.

Contacts

Disability Adviser
+44 (0)20 7717 7467
www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/disability

Disability Co-ordinator
+44 (0)20 7717 2292
disability@gold.ac.uk
Equality and diversity

At Goldsmiths you'll find an environment committed to and supportive of diversity, the free exchange of ideas, tolerance and equal opportunities. We work to raise aspirations and widen access to higher education.

No applicant or student receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of gender identity, marital status, religion, or belief, race, colour, nationality, disability, age, sexual orientation, parental status, class, or ethnic or national origins, or is disadvantaged by requirements which cannot be shown to be justifiable.

Goldsmiths welcomes all applications for admission from applicants who may have a disability, specific learning difficulty or a long-term physical or mental health-related issue. All applications are considered purely on the basis of their academic qualifications and/or suitability for the degree. Sub-boards and Joint Sub-boards of Examiners ensure that students, once registered on a programme, are fairly treated in respect of their academic progress.

The College has a Disability Co-ordinator who liaises with those who have administrative responsibility for applicants and students who have declared to College that they have a disability and/or learning difficulty to ensure that information is passed to appropriate members of staff in a timely manner.

The College will make reasonable adjustments in order to accommodate any additional needs relating to any student’s/applicant’s disability. The College will take appropriate advice when determining reasonable adjustments. In the unlikely event that the College is unable to accommodate adjustments required by the student, or if the student disagrees with the reasonable adjustments offered, a brief written report will be submitted to the Director of Student Services giving the reasons for the recommendations.

If you feel you have been the subject of discrimination or harassment by Goldsmiths, or by one of its members of staff or students, you should report the matter to the Director of Student Services, who will take appropriate action under Goldsmiths’ Code on Equality and Diversity.

Visit www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/equal-opportunities for more information.

Terms and conditions

All students are subject to Goldsmiths’ Regulations, printed in the Student Regulations and Codes of Practice booklet sent to students in joining information packs. When you accept an offer to study at Goldsmiths you undertake to comply with these Regulations, with Goldsmiths’ Charter, Statutes and Ordinances (available from the Registry at Goldsmiths), with the Statutes and Regulations of the University of London (available from the University of London, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU), and with relevant legislation in force at the time. Please note that a student who has not received the official written offer of a place from the Goldsmiths Registry (or UCAS, GTTR or SWAS as appropriate) may not be admitted to, or enrolled on, a programme of study. See www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/registry or the Student Regulations and Codes of Practice booklet (available from the Student Enrolments and Records Office, Room 122, Richard Hoggart Building) for more information.

Obligations of Goldsmiths

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Goldsmiths is in New Cross, South East London, five miles from Central London.

Goldsmiths is located:
- 5 minutes’ walk from both New Cross and New Cross Gate stations, in travelcard zone 2, on the main rail network and the East London Line (see ‘East London Line’ information, right, for details about this line)
- On major bus routes including: 21, 36, 53, 136, 171, 172, 177, 225, 321, 343, 436, 453
- 10 minutes’ walk from Deptford Bridge station on the Docklands Light Railway (DLR)
- On Lewisham Way on the New Cross one-way system, at the junction of the A2 and the A20.

Goldsmiths, University of London
New Cross
London SE14 6NW

www.goldsmiths.ac.uk

Main switchboard
+44 (0)20 7919 7171

Unless otherwise advised, please report to the Reception inside the front door of the Richard Hoggart Building (the large redbrick building) where staff will direct you.

See www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/find-us for comprehensive directions.

East London Line

New Cross and New Cross Gate are on the East London Line. The line re-opened in June 2010 after a major upgrading project. Completion of the project will improve travel connections in the area, and will see the line extending to Highbury and Islington in the North of London (by February 2011), and West Croydon in the South. See www.tfl.gov.uk for the latest updates.

Visitors with mobility difficulties

Please notify the person you are visiting in advance so that arrangements can be made for you.

Contacts

National Rail Enquiries
(for rail enquiries)
+44 (0)845 484950
www.nationalrail.co.uk

Transport for London
(for bus, DLR and Underground enquiries)
+44 (0)20 7222 1234
www.tfl.gov.uk
“A friendly atmosphere in the College enabled me to quickly establish an excellent group of friends, which makes the education experience even more enjoyable.”

Anna Nestulova
Russia
“As a student, it is good to go out and have fun without spending a lot of money. I can assure you that you never get bored of living in London!”

Yuko Kashiwagi
Japan
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Visiting and Exchange students
Application form 2011-12

Please complete and return this form to:
Student Recruitment and International Office, Goldsmiths, University of London,
New Cross, London SE14 6NW, UK.

Please print the information you write in black ink. Please see the application form guidance notes on page 81. Where there are boxes, please tick ☐ as appropriate. See www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad for the latest course information.

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### 2 Nationality / domicile

If dual nationality put both. Stateless persons should put their travel document number

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### 4 Proposed period of study

Tick the period(s) of your proposed study

- **Full academic year**
  - 26 September 2011-15 June 2012
  - Welcome programme starts 19 September 2011
- **Autumn**
  - 26 September 2011-16 December 2011
  - Welcome programme starts 19 September 2011
- **Autumn and Spring**
  - 26 September 2011-23 March 2012
  - Welcome programme starts 19 September 2011
- **Spring**
  - 9 January 2012-23 March 2012
  - Welcome programme starts 5 January 2012
- **Spring and Summer**
  - 9 January 2012-15 June 2012
  - Welcome programme starts 5 January 2012

### 5 Name and address of University/College you currently attend

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### 6 List the courses you would like to study at Goldsmiths, with alternatives in a related subject area

Courses should be as listed in the current edition of the Study Abroad Prospectus; see www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/studyabroad for the latest information. The total number of courses listed should not normally exceed 36 credits for a whole year, 16 credits for Autumn or Spring and 20 credits for Spring and Summer. For all choices, please give alternative courses in a related subject area.

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7 References and transcripts
Your application will not be dealt with unless you give us a reference and an up-to-date transcript of your grades. Your reference should be written by someone who has taught you recently, or by an academic adviser at your current institution.

Please tick as appropriate:
☐ I enclose my transcript with my application
or
☐ My transcript will be sent separately
☐ I enclose a reference

8 Disability and/or specific learning difficulties
Goldsmiths welcomes applications from students with disabilities and/or specific learning difficulties. If you indicate on this form that you have either or both of these we may send you a questionnaire asking for more information. The purpose of this is to establish whether or not you might need additional support whilst on your programme. Where possible we will do all that we can, in consultation with you, to accommodate your requirements, and will pass the information you provide to anyone in the College who needs it in order to ensure that this service can be provided. Please be assured that this will have no bearing on your academic assessment.

Please tick one or more of the following boxes if you consider yourself to have a disability and/or specific learning difficulty.

☐ No known disability (00)
☐ Dyslexia (01)
☐ Blind / partially sighted (02)
☐ Deaf / hearing impairment (03)
☐ Wheelchair user / mobility (04)
☐ Personal care support (05)
☐ Mental health difficulties (06)
☐ Unseen disability, eg diabetes, epilepsy (07)
☐ Multiple disabilities (08)
☐ A disability not listed (09)
☐ Autistic Spectrum Disorder (10)

The Disability Co-ordinator [tel +44 (0)20 7717 2292, e-mail disability@gold.ac.uk] is available to discuss disability issues with applicants. Students and potential students providing disability information to the Disability Co-ordinator are able to specify that it should not be shared with other members of staff, although they should be aware that this may limit the support that can be provided. If you require any special arrangements, please give details here.

9 Next of kin and UK emergency contact

Next of kin
Address
Postcode/zip code

UK emergency contact
Address
Postcode/zip code

Home telephone
Mobile/Cell telephone
Telephone
Mobile/Cell telephone
E-mail
E-mail

10 Fees
Please give the name and address of the person responsible for paying your tuition fees, etc. If you are personally responsible for them write ‘self’.

11 Declaration YOU MUST READ AND SIGN THIS DECLARATION
I hereby certify that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete, and I agree that, if admitted to Goldsmiths I will abide by the Charter, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations of the College. I have read and understood the instructions relating to the completion of this form, and have noted any details particular to the programme for which I am applying. I understand that:
• I may be asked to provide documentary evidence in support of any statement made on this form
• information I have given, or will give, in connection with this application, will be processed according to the Data Protection policy shown on the College’s website at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/data-protection designed to comply with current UK legislation
• that if offered a place I will be required as a condition of enrolment to acknowledge receipt of a statement (text available in advance from the College website at the URL above) informing me of the ways in which Goldsmiths routinely processes student data
• that the College is unable to accept liability for the suspension and/or cancellation of programmes and courses, although it will inform students of changes as soon as possible.

Applicant’s signature
Date

Where did you hear about Goldsmiths?
For Office use:  

Application received:  

Student ID Number:  

Is the student sponsored?  

Yes  

No  

Study in London programme  

Accommodation application 2011-12  

Please complete and return this form immediately to:  

Student Recruitment and International Office, Goldsmiths, University of London,  
New Cross, London SE14 6NW, UK  

Or you can scan the completed form with a passport size photograph attached  
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I am:  

| a Visiting Student |
| an Exchange Student |

Do you have a disability or medical condition which we should know about or which has specific accommodation requirements?  

If yes, please give details on the back of the application form  

Area preferences  

Please note: we cannot guarantee to accommodate your stated preferences  

Would you prefer to live in an area which is:  

| Mixed sex | Single sex | No Preference |

Period of study  

Tick the period of your proposed study  

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Completion of this form does not guarantee you a place in Hall, nor the Hall of your choice. Under the terms of the accommodation agreement, acceptance of a Hall place is for the full period of your study. Refunds of deposits or fees may not be paid in the event of an early departure. Your signature indicates that you understand and agree to these conditions.  

The above information is true and correct. I understand that the personal data which I have provided on this form may be stored in paper and/or electronic form in accordance with Goldsmiths policies on Data Protection (available at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/data-protection) and with the provisions of the Data Protection Act (1998). I also understand that under the Data Collection Notice Policy of Residences, Catering & Conference Services I accept the way in which my personal data is going to be handled as detailed at www.goldsmiths.ac.uk/accommodation.  

Applicant’s signature  

Date
Please state your disability

What are your specific requirements?

Please note that we will try to meet your requirements wherever possible but this cannot be guaranteed, especially for late applicants.

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We offer a transformative experience, generating knowledge and stimulating self-discovery through creative, radical and intellectually rigorous thinking and practice.

At Goldsmiths we believe that an understanding of sustainability in terms of environmental, social and economic matters is fundamental to holistic learning, and we acknowledge that protection of our environment is an integral part of good and sustainable institutional practice. We recognise that the College can contribute towards environmental protection and conservation by improving our own environmental practices and promoting awareness of both corporate and individual responsibility to all students and staff. We have resolved to achieve a continual improvement in how we measure and minimise our own environmental impacts.