

# Diploma of Visual Arts

COURSE CODE	CUA51115
LOCATIONS	Colac
STUDY MODE	Full-time, On Campus
Length	One year
Commencement	February 2022
Timetable	Two days a week plus a one two-hour virtual class per week

## Course Overview

*This section gives you an introduction to what you will be learning in this course, plus course outcomes, career opportunities, and student support.*

### Study from home during COVID-19 restrictions

Whilst we pride ourselves on our hands-on training, we have had to adjust most of our courses for study from home and remote learning during the COVID-19 restrictions. This means courses will be delivered using a range of methods including online learning, virtual classrooms, workbooks and direct contact with your teacher.

Given the government restrictions that are now in place to reduce the spread of coronavirus in Australia, we expect this new model of study will continue until the government makes changes to these restrictions.

## Introduction

This course is ideal for people with an interest in textiles as an art form, developing practical, conceptual and interpretive skills as well as exploring the use of personal imagery.

Students at the diploma level will investigate themes and refine their work into a cohesive body of work, which will be shown at the end of year exhibition. Students will also develop skills in creating a physical/saleable product that reflects their arts practice

Studio areas include Textile drawing, printmaking and mixed media.

## What will I Learn?

Through working on a number of community and arts industry projects, competitions and exhibitions you will learn:

- techniques for textile work
- investigating materials and processes for textile work
- applying manipulation techniques to create experimental textile samples
- sustainable practice
- work health and safety
- history and theory of art
- how to present and exhibit a body of work
- painting
- printmaking
- photography
- sculpture
- drawing
- developing a body of work

## Mode of delivery

Two days a week will be delivered at the Colac campus.

Plus one two-hour class per week will be delivered virtual classroom - a live online teaching and learning environment where teachers and students can present course materials, engage and interact with one another, and work in groups together.

## Course Outcomes and Career Opportunities

With the arts industry experiencing continued growth nationally and 1 in 3 artists bringing their creative skills in other industries, there are great future job prospects.

Graduates of this program will use their highly developed technical, creative and conceptual skills to plan and realize a body of work in one or more art forms. They will utilize their understanding of arts theory and history to critically analyse and synthesise information from a range of sources. Graduates may work in their own practice or in a wide range of contexts across the arts, government, community or commercial organisations.

Career opportunities may include:

- studio artist
- community artist
- public artist
- assistant curator
- gallery assistant
- arts officer

## Pathways

This course offers a pathway to further study in courses at Bachelor level or at Deakin University, Warrnambool Campus.

## Placement

There is no formal placement for this course but you will work closely with local arts organisations throughout your course, gaining hands-on practical experience.

## Information Session

Why don't you come along to our next course info session to find out everything you need to start your learning journey? You can chat with our teachers, tour our facilities, learn more about the course, find out about the application process and get your questions answered by our course experts.

[Find the next info session near you](#)

## Course Requirements

*This section gives you an overview of entry requirements, course units and electives, skills recognition, and assessment criteria.*

## Entrance requirements & pre-requisites

To apply you must have the technical, creative and organisational skills to conceptualise and create works in selected mediums. Those skills and knowledge may have been acquired through experience in creative practice or through formal study.

You will be required to provide a portfolio of artwork and complete an interview with a member of the art team. During this interview, you will be asked questions about concepts in your work, artists who inspire you, expectations of the course and your future career goals in Visual Arts.

## Course requirements

To be eligible to be awarded this qualification you must successfully complete 15 units: 6 core and 9 electives.

Students will need to provide

- USB storage device
- Art materials for each studio, list to be supplied/outlined per studio.
- General kit: pens, pencils, ruler, eraser, sharpener, workable fixative, masking tape, fine liners
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Students attending the course in Colac may occasionally be required to travel to the Warrambool campus for artist talks, exhibitions and to use equipment that's not available in Colac.

Applications will open in November 2019 for the February 2020 commencement.

## Units offered

### Core Units

Unit Code	Unit Name	Unit Hours	Unit Consumables
CUAACD501	Refine drawing and other visual representation tools	70	\$42.00
CJAPPR501	Realise a body of creative work	80	\$66.00
CJAPPR502	Develop own sustainable professional practice	35	\$0.00
CJAPPR503	Present a body of own creative work	60	\$0.00
CJAPPR505	Establish and maintain safe creative practice	30	\$0.00
CJARES503	Analyse cultural history and theory	70	\$70.00

### Elective Units

Unit Code	Unit Name	Unit Hours	Unit Consumables
CUAACD513	Make mixed media artworks	55	\$42.00
CJADRA502	Investigate drawing materials and processes	70	\$42.00
CJAEVP403	Install and dismantle exhibition elements	20	\$0.00
CJAIND502	Maintain and apply creative arts industry knowledge	50	\$0.00
CJAPPR602	Collaborate in professional creative projects	50	\$50.00
CJATEX501	Refine techniques for textile work	90	\$66.00
CJATEX502	Investigate materials and processes for textile work	80	\$77.00
LMTTD4010A	Apply manipulation techniques to create experimental textile samples	60	\$66.00
LMTTD5004A	Design and produce experimental textiles	120	\$0.00

## Assessment

This course involves accredited units. You will be required to complete assessment tasks to demonstrate your underpinning knowledge, skills and attributes to meet the course outcomes. A combination of written, oral and practical assessment strategies will be used in either a classroom, online or workplace environment.

Where units require demonstration of skills in a workplace environment, you will have the opportunity to do this either in your own workplace (where appropriate), through a practical placement, or by using one of the Institute's simulated workshops/classrooms. Detailed information about the types, conduct and dates of assessments will be provided in advance. You will also be provided with information about the opportunity for reassessment and appeal.

## After applying

Once you have applied for your chosen course, you will receive a thank you email from South West TAFE with a few steps to help process your enrolment.

### Complete a Pre-Training Review

You will receive an email to complete a Pre-Training Review online evaluation. This evaluation helps us tailor your training to suit your needs.

### Create or provide a Unique Student Identifier (USI)

A USI is a nationally recognised reference number that provides an online record of your training qualifications gained in Australia.

[Create your USI](#)

Already have a USI but can't remember it? [Find your USI](#)

### Skills recognition

If you have experience or prior qualifications, you may be eligible to apply for [recognition of prior learning](#) and gain credits. You will be asked to provide any relevant Statement of Attainment to support identified credits.

## Fees

*This section gives you an overview of course fees, subsidies, and how they can be paid.*

## Course Fees

**Here's an outline of fees and costs associated with your course.**

**Your fees each year can be made up of 3 different elements.** Everyone has different circumstances that can affect what you pay and how much you pay. :

1. Tuition fees - charged as an hourly rate that varies from course to course. A large portion of the tuition is subsidised by the Victorian Government for eligible students.
2. Resource and/or materials costs - covers the cost of materials and other incidentals. This fee will vary according to the course being undertaken.
3. Booklist items - such as textbooks, equipment and stationery recommended for your course

## Tuition fees

**There are 4 different rates of tuition fees.** Only one will apply to you (depending on your eligibility and circumstances).

1. Government Subsidised Fee - you could be eligible for a government-subsidised rate under the Skills First funding depending on your age, educational history, and citizenship or residency status. If you are eligible, the government will contribute to the cost of your training.  
[Find out more about subsidised training](#)
2. Government Subsidised Concession Fee - If you are eligible for a Skills First government-subsidised place and hold a current healthcare or pension card, that you can provide at enrolment, you may be eligible for the concession rate. Note, the concession rate is not applicable to Diploma level courses.  
[Find out more about concession rates](#)

3. Free TAFE - Students who are eligible for Victorian government-subsidised training will not pay course tuition fees for the duration of their enrolment in this course, however, there may be some consumable/material fees for the course (find out more below). Any resource or material costs, or booklist items for this course are listed in the table below.

[Find out more about Free TAFE](#)

4. Full fee - If you are not eligible for a Skills First government-subsidised place, exemption, concession or are enrolling in a course that isn't government-subsidised, you may be required to pay the full fee rate.

#### **FIND OUT MORE ABOUT FEES AND ELIGIBILITY**

The fees listed below are indicative only. The student tuition fees as published are subject to change given individual circumstances at enrolment. Funding made available to eligible individuals by State and Commonwealth Governments. If funding is utilised, this may affect future opportunities to access additional funding in the future.

Course fees by student type	Indicative Course Fee
Government subsidised rate (if eligible)	\$9,940.00
Full fee rate (if not eligible for govt subsidy)	\$13,575.00

  

Additional course fees	Indicative Course Fee
Course consumable/materials (approximate)	\$940.00

## Resource and/or materials costs

Some courses require specific resources or materials necessary for your study eg: tools of the trade, excursions, etc. Final costs will be determined upon enrolment.

## How do I pay my fees?

Once we have processed your enrolment form, you will receive an email with your invoice.

You have [three options when organising your payment](#):

1. [Upfront payment](#) - can be made over the phone with EFTPOS
2. [Payment plan](#) - can be directly debited from your bank account, debited from your Centrelink payments or via a [VET Student Loan](#) (for diploma or advanced diploma courses only)
3. [Paid by employer, school or job network agency](#) - if your fees are being paid by your employer, school or job network agency, you will need to complete an Authority to Invoice form.

Payments will need to be arranged within five(5) business days of receiving the email containing your invoice.

We also offer a range of [scholarships](#) each year which you may be eligible to apply for to assist with course fees.

## Next Steps

*Ready to take the next step? Here you can [make an enquiry](#), [attend an information session](#) or [begin the application process](#).*

## How to apply

There are [five simple steps to apply for a course](#) with us.

1. **Apply** - [complete a short online application form](#). Once this form is submitted we'll send you a thank you email.
2. **Get ready** - your thank-you email will contain links to a pre-training review, to a unique student identifier and to government-subsidised training eligibility.
3. **Chat with your teacher** - your teacher or course specialist will contact you about your Pre-Training Review outcomes and additional course information.
4. **Enrol** - after chatting with your teacher, you will receive an email with your enrolment form and a link to verify your identity.
5. **Sign** - once you've completed your enrolment, you will receive a declaration form to review and sign.

If need any assistance with applying, [contact our Customer Service team](#) on 1300 648 911 or [visit your nearest campus](#).

## Careers and Course Advice

Not sure which course is right for you? South West TAFE will help you find your way.

Our Careers Coaches at the [Skills and Jobs Centre](#) is here to support you. Whether you're exploring career options, transitioning from school to the workforce or looking to study after school we're here to help you.

## Student Support

As a SWTAFE student, you can access a variety of support services that will enhance your study experience and help you complete your studies successfully. For more information about any of these services, [visit our student page](#).