





BA (Hons) Contemporary Media Cultures 當代媒體文化(榮譽)文學士 AD/HD/HKDSE/IB/ BTEC Extended Diploma

Course Code:

2445-DP097A (Year 1 Entry)

2445-DP097A (Year 2 Entry)



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Full-time Undergraduate Programme 全日制大學學位課程

for HKDSE/IB/BTEC Extended Diploma/AD/HD Graduates 專為香港中學文憑試/國際文憑課程/BTEC 延伸文憑/ 副學士/高級文憑畢業生而設

Credit Exemption for AD/HD Graduates 副學士/高級文憑畢業生可獲學分豁免

University of the Arts London 倫敦藝術大學



London College of Communication, photo by Luke Whitehead.

University of the Arts London (UAL) is **the world's 2nd best university for Art and Design** in the QS World University Rankings by Subject in 2025, for the seventh year in a row. The University offers an extensive range of courses in art, design, fashion, communication and performing arts. UAL's graduates go on to work in and shape creative industries worldwide.

UAL brings together, in a single federated structure, six of the most famous art and design colleges in the world: Camberwell College of Arts, Central Saint Martins College of Arts and Design, Chelsea College of Arts, London College of Fashion, London College of Communication (LCC) and Wimbledon College of Arts. With a combined student population of approximately 26,000 and a global network of over 200,000 alumni, UAL is one of the world's largest academic centres for art, design and communication.

UAL is not only a centre of excellence in practice-based learning, but also a leading research university. UAL has been placed in the overall top 30 UK research institutions for the quality of research submitted in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014. It is a top 5 research university in its broader peer group and first in the power ranking in the Art and Design, History, Practice and Theory category.

London College of Communication

LCC programmes are known for being industry focused. Students are taught by an inspiring community of experienced academics, technical experts and leading specialist practitioners. They are often commissioned to work on live briefs for major companies such as Nike, The National Trust and Nokia. LCC students go on to inform the future of the creative field. LCC's alumni include TV presenters Craig Doyle and Kate Thornton; Charles Saatchi, art collector and the co-founder of advertising agency Saatchi & Saatchi. The college also houses a selection of famous archives. From filmmaker Stanley Kubrick to graphic designer Tom Eckersley, these are invaluable tools for teaching, learning and research.

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This programme prepares students for a successful career in whatever area of the media they choose to go into, from photography to marketing, journalism to filmmaking, curation to web design.

The focus of the programme is to examine the role media, cultural and creative processes play in shaping all aspects of contemporary social life. Students will learn about media and cultural theory with an emphasis on creativity, innovation, exploration, discovery and collaboration.

The programme guides students through a series of case study modules that will help them understand the links between the academic concepts and discussions explored in the degree and how these ideas can be applied using a range of media. This programme is different from others because the practical elements are designed specifically to help students develop their critical thinking – by putting their ideas into practice. They do not just learn what to do and how to do it, they also learn why they are doing it.

當代媒體文化(榮譽)文學士旨在訓練學生成為媒體、創意及文化產業專才,讓他們可以投身攝影、電影製作、網頁設計、新聞、策展以至營銷等領域。

當代媒體文化(榮譽)文學士,著重與學生分析媒體文化及 媒體製作過程如何塑造當代社會及日常生活,讓學生透過學 習、探索媒體及文化理論,培養創作、創新以及與其他人協 作的能力。

講師會以實際的國際及本地例子,幫助學生了解各種學術概念和討論。課程當中的實踐元素,目的讓學生透過拍攝照片、製作短片及數碼媒體寫作,探討不同媒體及媒體訊息的特性,深入思考媒體製作的過程、手法以及其背後原因,從中發展出對媒體文化具批判而創新的思維,切合媒體、創意及文化產業的需要。

Programme Highlights

- On campus transfer opportunities are available for students to finish their final year in London, with all HK credits being counted towards the qualification;
- Students are eligible to apply for the MA Media, Communications and Critical Practice offered by UAL and other master's degree programmes in relevant disciplines;
- Students have the opportunity to learn media production skills on top of media and cultural theories under the guidance of experienced media lecturers;
- Work placement opportunities in the creative and cultural industries are available for students to explore their career orientation.

課程特色

- 課程為英國三年制學士學位,學生有機會到英國倫敦校園 修讀最後一年課程;
- 修畢此課程的學生,可直接報讀倫敦藝術大學 MA Media, Communications and Critical Practices 以及其他相關 的碩士課程;
- 除學術理論外,學生會由富經驗的講師指導,**學習當代媒** 體的製作過程;
- 學生**有機會在創意及文化行業實習**,探索自己的職業發展 方向。



Upper gallery, LCC, photo by Lewis Bush.

Programme Structure

There will be 16 modules in the 3-year programme. Upon fulfilling the minimum entry requirements, students with AD/HD or equivalent qualifications enrolled in this programme will be granted an exemption of 120 credits. They will have to take 10 modules in Year 2 and Year 3 of the programme in 24 months.

| Year | Unit Title | Credits |
|------|---|---------|
| 1 | Introduction to Contemporary Media Cultures | 20 |
| | Creative Foundations# | 20 |
| | Representation, Diversity and Equality | 20 |
| | Media, Community and Change | 20 |
| | Media, Communications and Culture | 20 |
| | Platforms and Social Media | 20 |
| 2 | Content Creation: Film and Video | 20 |
| | Professional Industry Practice | 20 |
| | Global Media Businesses, Practices and Cultures | 20 |
| | Communication Research Methods | 20 |
| | Media and the Environment | 20 |
| | Interventions: Contemporary Media Activisms | 20 |
| 3 | Futures Thinking | 20 |
| | Creative Futures | 20 |
| | Final Major Project | 40 |
| | Research Project | 40 |
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[#] Module retitling is subject to approval

Notes:

The above programme structure is intended for use as a guideline to prospective students. The University reserves the right to modify sequencing of modules within the structure.

Entry Requirements

For Year 1 entry, applicants shall hold:

- A) in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination:
 - Level 2 or above in two Core Subjects; and
 - Level 3 or above in two Elective Subjects
 - Level 4 or above in English Language*

<u>Or</u>

B) Equivalent qualifications (e.g. The International Baccalaureate (IB))

Students will be considered if they have achieved a minimum of 104 UCAS tariff points from one of the following qualifications:

- BTEC Extended Diploma
- International Baccalaureate
- UAL Extended Diploma in Art and Design
- Access to HE Diploma
- Equivalent EU or Non-EU qualifications

For Year 2 entry, applicants shall:

 hold an Associate Degree in the areas of the Arts or Social Sciences with good academic standing. Applicants with other academic backgrounds can still apply. These students will need to have passed at least three modules in media, communication or culture subjects at subdegree level;

And

- II) demonstrate English proficiency if their first language is not English with an overall IELTS 6.0 (or equivalent) with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four skills.*^
 - * Students who cannot achieve Level 4 in English Language in HKDSE or an overall IELTS 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 will still be considered. These students will be required to take and complete a bridging programme in academic English offered by HKU SPACE with B- or above before the start of the programme for meeting the minimum English Proficiency requirement of the programme.
 - ^ Graduates of the HKU SPACE Associate Degree/ Higher Diploma, or those holding an equivalent qualification from a recognised institution in Hong Kong, are being regarded as demonstrating the required English proficiency.

If applicants have completed prior qualifications or training where the award obtained is equivalent to the entry requirements then Accreditation of Prior Learning (APL)**may be considered by UAL. Those applications will be considered on individual basis.

^{**} For example, successful completion of Applied Learning (ApL) subject(s) in HKDSE.



Duration of Study and Award

Year 1 entry: 3 years Year 2 entry: 2 years

Upon satisfactory completion of the programme, students will be awarded the **BA (Hons) Contemporary Media Cultures** by University of the Arts London.

(Please note that the location of study will be shown on the graduation certificate if the programme is completed in Hong Kong.)

Teaching Mode

The unique nature of this programme enables a range of teaching formats to be used, including lectures, seminars, tutorials, practical workshops and consultation sessions.

Assessment

Students will be assessed by a combination of group projects, individual essays, multimedia assignments, and examinations, depending on the subject areas.

On Campus Transfer

Students will be eligible to apply for transfer to LCC, UAL for their final year study. Full international student fees will apply.

(Please note that students must obtain a valid student visa for studying in London. Application for transfer does not guarantee the issuance of a student visa.)

Career Opportunities

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Further Studies

Qualifications from UAL are recognised internationally. Graduates of the BA (Hons) Contemporary Media Cultures are eligible to proceed onto Postgraduate Diploma (PgDip) in Media and Cultural Critique, awarded within the HKU system through HKU SPACE, MA Media, Communications and Critical Practice in UAL or other local and overseas master's degree programmes.

Alumni Sharing



Learning here allows me to really challenge myself to reach further heights. My experience here advances my understanding in how the world changes throughout the extended history of media and technology advancements. To be studying with such high academic credentials in UAL also sees my opportunities expanded. With extended services and assistance from London, I could see myself graduating as a promising young prospect, achieving my dreams to work in the Film & Entertainment industry. I have had an enriching experience studying in this UAL media programme through the International College with my fellow classmates, helping each other, hoping to bolster ourselves to new limits. I could only see better things to come in this promising programme.

Stanley Chiu

Art Collecting Alumni Association Scholarship (UAL) 2019/20 BA (Hons) Contemporary Media Cultures (2019-22)

Tuition Fee

The tuition fee* for 2025/26 intake is HK\$60,000 per year (Year 1); HK\$70,000 per year (Year 2); and HK\$70,000 per year (Year 3). The tuition fee is paid in two equal instalments each year.

* The tuition fee is reviewed annually and is subject to change without prior notice.

Extended Non-Means-Tested Loan Scheme (ENLS)

Students are eligible to apply for the HKSAR Government's Extended Non-means-tested Loan Scheme (ENLS). The maximum financial assistance under the ENLS is equivalent to the total tuition fee payable to the HKU SPACE in the academic year.

IC Scholarships and Bursaries

A number of IC scholarships and bursaries are available for eligible new entrants to apply every year. Please consult programme staff for more information.

Progression Path

Local / Overseas Master's Degree Programmes in relevant areas

(e.g. University of the Arts London's MA Media, Communications and Critical Practice)

BA (Hons) Contemporary Media Cultures Year 3 **BA (Hons) Contemporary** 3-year UK **Media Cultures** Bachelor's **Degree** Year 2 AD/ HD **BA** (Hons) Contemporary Year 2 Media **Cultures** AD/HD Year 1 Year 1

HKDSE/ IB/ BTEC Extended Diploma Graduates

(or students with equivalent qualifications)





Programme Overview

| Awarding University | University of the Arts London | |
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| Year of Establishment | 1894 [†] | |
| Duration | 2 years (Full-time) - for Year 2 Entry; 3 years (Full-time) - for Year 1 Entry | |
| Full Tuition Fee (2025/26 Intake*) | Year 1: \$60,000 Year 2: \$70,000 Year 3: \$70,000 | |
| Medium of Instruction | English | |
| Commencement Date | September 2026 | |

[†] The institutional history can be traced back to earlier than its date of establishment as a university.

* Subject to revision.

Information in this leaflet is subject to change by HKU SPACE IC and University of the Arts London without prior notice. Please refer to the IC website or contact programme staff for the latest information.

This is an exempted course under the Non-local Higher and Professional Education (Regulation) Ordinance. It is a matter of discretion for individual employers to recognise any qualification to which this course may lead.



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