

Bachelor of Creative Industries (Visual Arts)

(ARB405.1)

Please note these are the 2026 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank	NEW
Delivery mode	On campus
Location	South Bank, QLD
Duration	3.0 years
Faculty	Faculty of Arts and Design
Discipline	School of Arts and Communications
UAC code	

English language requirements An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

[View IELTS equivalences](#)

International students

Academic entry requirements To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our [academic entry requirements page](#).

[View UC's academic entry requirements](#)

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CRICOS code	102459E
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About this course

Create a career you'll love in Visual Arts

Turn your love of Art into your career with a Bachelor of Creative Industries (Visual Arts). Thanks to our partnership with TAFE Queensland, you'll learn traditional skills and techniques to ground your understanding of contemporary culture historically and theoretically.

Explore contemporary arts interfaces with digital technologies and expand into cross media, multi-disciplinary visual arts practice. You'll look at different genres of arts practice, art communities, curating, design/commercial opportunities, and contemporary visual identities. All of this combined will ensure you graduate job-ready with the connections to dive right into the Arts industry.

Complete your degree at our TAFE Queensland Brisbane campus where you'll build the foundations of your career and upon graduation, you'll be ready to jump into a career, anywhere you choose.

Study a Bachelor of Visual Arts at UC and you will:

- Develop a broad and coherent range of specialist knowledge and practical skills.
- Gain hands-on skills and techniques to build your abilities and understanding of contemporary art and culture.
- Explore contemporary arts and expand into cross media, and multi-disciplinary visual arts practices.

Graduates can develop their careers in a wide range of art, design, and culturally related fields including gallery exhibitions, arts education, arts administration, curating, exhibition, display design, public art and more.

Work Integrated Learning

You'll be encouraged and supported to find relative work placements, enabling you to experience the reality of working within the industry or a particular company, and the opportunity to build useful networks for a future career.

Career opportunities

- Arts Professional
- Art Curator
- Photographer
- Illustrator
- Graphic Designer
- Product Designer

Course Specific information

Standard entry to this program is by interview only

Professional accreditation

None.

Admission requirements

Admission to this course is based on an entrance rank. A rank can be achieved by the following means:

- Year 12 ATAR
- diploma pathway
- other Australian Qualification
- work experience
- overseas qualification

We also offer a number of entry initiatives that give you the opportunity to gain entry to the University via alternate pathway programs and admissions schemes.

More information is available on our Alternative Entry page: <http://www.canberra.edu.au/future-students/applications/apply-now/alternative-entry>

Additional admission requirements

By interview.

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

Year	Location	Teaching period	Teaching start date	Domestic	International
2026	South Bank, QLD	Semester 1	16 February 2026	✓	✓
2026	South Bank, QLD	Semester 2	10 August 2026	✓	✓
2027	South Bank, QLD	Semester 1	15 February 2027	✓	✓
2027	South Bank, QLD	Semester 2	09 August 2027	✓	✓

Credit arrangements

A credit transfer arrangement is available for this course for the following institutions:

Tafe Queensland

[Diploma of Visual Arts - CUA51120 \(26735\)](#)

Course requirements

Bachelor of Creative Industries (Visual Arts) (ARB405) | 72 credit points

Required - 48 credit points as follows

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

Core Major in Professional and Creative Industries (CM0026) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

[Professional Practice 1: Work Integrated Learning \(11017\) | 3 credit points — Level 2](#)

[Professional Practice 2: Work Integrated Learning \(11018\) | 3 credit points — Level 3](#)

[Professional Orientation \(Creative Industries and Digital Design\) \(11591\) | 3 credit points — Level 1](#)

[Professional Evidence \(Creative Industries and Digital Design\) \(11592\) | 3 credit points — Level 3](#)

[Creative Practice 1 \(11593\) | 3 credit points — Level 2](#)

[Creative Practice 2 \(11594\) | 3 credit points — Level 3](#)

[The Big Picture \(11595\) | 3 credit points — Level 2](#)

[Creativity and Culture: Truth and Ideation \(11596\) | 3 credit points — Level 2](#)

Specialist Major in Visual Arts (SM0075) | 24 credit points

Required - Must pass 24 credit points as follows

Artist as Curator (9759) | 3 credit points – Level 3

2D Art Foundations (11603) | 3 credit points – Level 1

3D Art Foundations (11604) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Response to Art History (11605) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Figure/Portrait/Object (11606) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Landscape/Environment/Space (11607) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Art & Contemporary Culture (11608) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Art & Community (11609) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Open Electives - 24 credit points from the following

- Must pass 24 credit points from any other TAFE QLD units.

1. 3 credit points of open electives must be completed at level 3 or above to ensure compliance with the Course Procedure - Courses and Course Components.

2. For further details, see the Course Procedure - Courses and Course Components at <https://policies.canberra.edu.au/document/view-current.php?id=180>

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you must meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - TAFE Queensland, South Bank

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 1

2D Art Foundations (11603)

Professional Orientation (Creative Industries and Digital Design) (11591)

Response to Art History (11605)

One Open Elective Unit

Semester 2

[3D Art Foundations \(11604\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[The Big Picture \(11595\)](#)

Year 2

Semester 1

One Open Elective Unit

[Creative Practice 1 \(11593\)](#)

[Creativity and Culture: Truth and Ideation \(11596\)](#)

[Landscape/Environment/Space \(11607\)](#)

Semester 2

[Art & Contemporary Culture \(11608\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

[Figure/Portrait/Object \(11606\)](#)

[Professional Practice 1: Work Integrated Learning \(11017\)](#)

Year 3

Semester 1

[Art & Community \(11609\)](#)

[Professional Practice 2: Work Integrated Learning \(11018\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

Semester 2

[Creative Practice 2 \(11594\)](#)

[Professional Evidence \(Creative Industries and Digital Design\) \(11592\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

[Artist as Curator \(9759\)](#)

Standard Full Time, Semester 2 Commencing

Year 1

Semester 2

[3D Art Foundations \(11604\)](#)

[Professional Orientation \(Creative Industries and Digital Design\) \(11591\)](#)

[The Big Picture \(11595\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Year 2

Semester 1

[2D Art Foundations \(11603\)](#)

Two Open Elective Units

[Response to Art History \(11605\)](#)

Semester 2

[Art & Contemporary Culture \(11608\)](#)

[Figure/Portrait/Object \(11606\)](#)

[Professional Practice 1: Work Integrated Learning \(11017\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

[Creativity and Culture: Truth and Ideation \(11596\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

[Creative Practice 1 \(11593\)](#)

[Landscape/Environment/Space \(11607\)](#)

Semester 2

[Creative Practice 2 \(11594\)](#)

[Professional Evidence \(Creative Industries and Digital Design\) \(11592\)](#)

One Open Elective Unit

[Artist as Curator \(9759\)](#)

Year 4

Semester 1

Two Open Elective Units

[Art & Community \(11609\)](#)

[Professional Practice 2: Work Integrated Learning \(11018\)](#)

Course information

Course duration

Standard 3 years full time or part-time equivalent. Maximum 10 years from date of enrolment to date of course completion.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
Develop fluency and expertise in technical skills, relevant to visual arts practice through the development of visual art work across multiple media forms.	<p>UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; communicate effectively; and use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems.</p> <p>UC graduates are global citizens: Think globally about issues in their profession; adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries; understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures; and communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings.</p> <p>UC graduates are lifelong learners: Reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development; be self-aware; and adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas.</p>
Create, critically analyse and evaluate advanced visual art works and projects through the application of technical skills and knowledge.	<p>UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems; work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict; display initiative and drive, and use their organisational skills to plan and manage their workload; and take pride in their professional and personal integrity.</p> <p>UC graduates are global citizens: Understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures; communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings; make creative use of technology in their learning and professional lives; and behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives.</p> <p>UC graduates are lifelong learners: Reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development; be self-aware; and adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas.</p>

Work individually, collaboratively and ethically in studio and project environments building professional relationships in the creative and cultural sectors.	<p>UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; communicate effectively; use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems; and work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict.</p> <p>UC graduates are global citizens: Understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures; communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings.</p> <p>UC graduates are lifelong learners: Reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development; be self-aware; and evaluate and adopt new technology.</p>
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Communicate concepts, theories and knowledge related to visual arts practice and apply this knowledge to augment the production and presentation of visual art works.	<p>UC graduates are professional: Employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills; communicate effectively; work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict; and display initiative and drive, and use their organisational skills to plan and manage their workload.</p> <p>UC graduates are global citizens: Communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings.</p> <p>UC graduates are lifelong learners: Adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas.</p>
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Majors

- [Core Major in Professional and Creative Industries \(CM0026\)](#)
- [Specialist Major in Visual Arts \(SM0075\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Creative Industries (Visual Arts)	BCreativeIndustries (VisA)

Honours

High performing students may be eligible to enrol in the Bachelor of Arts and Design (Honours) course.

Enrolment data

2023 enrolments for this course by location. Please note that enrolment numbers are indicative only and in no way reflect individual class

sizes.

Location	Enrolments
UC - TAFE Queensland, South Bank	65

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Current and Commencing Students	Email: UCBrisbane@canberra.edu.au or Phone: 07 3244 5129
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342

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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.