School of Stitched Textiles

Knitting

SKILL STAGE 4 - ACCREDITED COURSE



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Overview

This City & Guilds accredited Knitting course is an advanced study programme aimed at knitters who want to enhance their skills and commercialise their work.

Students with a lot of demonstrable experience or those who have previously completed our skill stage 3 or level 3 hand knitting course have the opportunity to study on our City & Guilds Accredited Skill Stage 4 Course.

At this level students will be able to continue developing personal research and technical skills to form a unique collection of work at a professional level.



Course Delivery

This course is supplied as a distance learning course where course materials and tutor assessments are delivered digitally and work is returned to your tutor via digital presentation.

You will work through written and illustrated course materials which are supplemented with 'how to' videos and online galleries. Your coursework will be reviewed by your tutor and periodically by an Internal Quality Assessor. You will be provided with written feedback and, if needed, you will be able to re-submit altered work.

You can contact your tutor at any time to request your work to date be reviewed and suggestions for future progress be made.

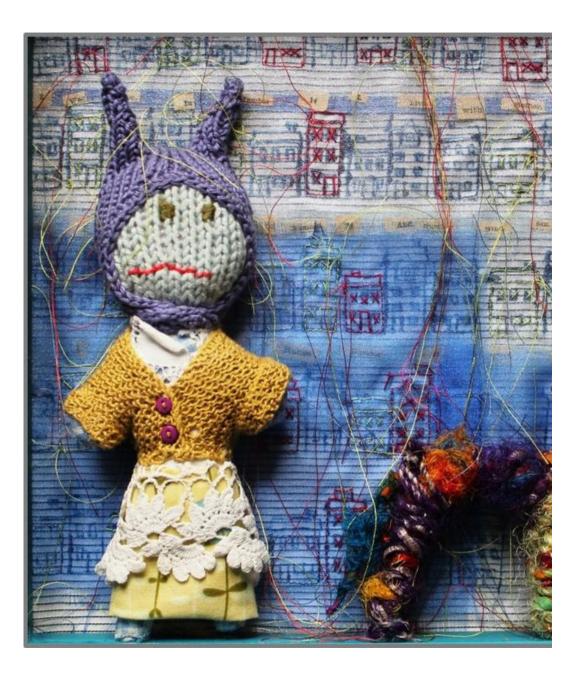


MODULE 1: SELF CHOSEN DESIGN PROJECT (SCDP)

Students get to chose their own design project to work on throughout the course.

MODULE 2: HISTORY OF YEARN PRODUCTION

- Research and sampling
- Self made yarns
- Continue to create SCDP.



MODULE 3: DESIGNERS/MAKERS

- Research
- Transparent and bonded samples
- Completion of SCDP.

MODULE 4: SCULPTURAL TECHNIQUES

- Exploration of non traditional yarn usage
- Compile a written and illustrated study of knitting.



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MODULE 5: INTRODUCTION TO DIFFERENT METHODS

- Felting
- Innovative methods
- Mixed media
- Animal fibres.

MODULE 6: EXPLORATION OF FURTHER TECHNIQUES

- Using giant needles
- Using peg looms
- Explore dying techniques
- Study silk fibres
- Research knitting from different geographic areas.



MODULE 7: FREESTYLE KNITTING

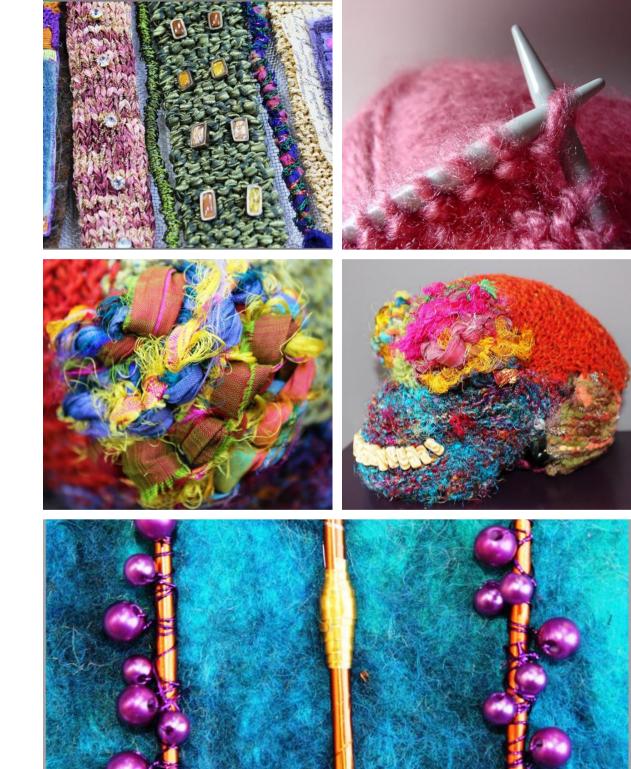
• Design and make first final piece.

MODULE 8: APPLIQUE & FINISHING SAMPLES

• Design and make second piece.

MODULE 9: MAKE FINAL PIECE

• Design and create your final piece.



MODULE 10: PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

- Produce a professional CV and profile
- How to cost up items for the purpose of selling to customers.

MODULE 11: PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE CONTINUED

- Learn how to plan promotional activities
- Business planning for textiles artists
- Working to commission.

MODULE 12: PRESENTATION

Full presentation compiled of all work for submission.





"My confidence in 'just having a go' has dramatically increased. I have learned such a range of skills – for example, hand dyeing, designing my own patterns, costing knitting commissions and specific tools to start my own business – all from being willing to have a go. Not everything worked out first time, however the course has taught me that patience and humility are as important as the needles and the yarn!"

<u>Claire Hannibal - Knitting Skill</u> <u>Stage 3</u>











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Price Information

Completion.

At the end of the course we'll produce an online video showcasing the highlights of your learning journey. Since all of our courses are delivered via distance learning, you will not have to travel to the centre or transport physical work.

Pricing.

The cost of the course depends on how many modules you wish to pay for at once. For up-to-date pricing information, please visit the **price page on our website**.

Students are allowed up to 2 year to complete this course.

Enrolling

We open enrolment to new students 3-4 times throughout the year. This is your chance to secure a place on your chosen course and begin your creative journey.

As the UKs largest distance learning offering online accredited textile craft courses, demand for these courses is high. Therefore we only invite those who have previously 'expressed an interest' to enrol. If you'd like to be invited to enrol when it opens then please make sure you **register your interest**.

Upon enrolment you will be asked to agree to and abide by <u>SST's terms &</u> <u>conditions</u> relating to this course.





Supporting you

Although our courses are taught via distance learning we encourage students to connect with each other to share their learning journeys.

When students enrol they are invited to join their own unique 'group' on Facebook. These groups include students who will be starting their course at the same time as you.

This is a great way of allowing students to really feel like they are part of a group where they are able to express any concerns and share their creative progress. We also hold regular 'live chat' sessions with tutors.





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