

Professional Practice 1

CEAD1002

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

ECTS credits¹	5	Programme	University Certificates in Visual Art Practice University Certificate in Drawing & Visual Investigation University Certificate in Photography & Digital Imaging
NQF level	7	School	Education
Stage	1	Module Co-ordinator	Nuala Hunt
Trimester	2	Module Team	Expert panel
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Introduction

This module focuses on the development of skills and knowledge applicable to the formation of a professional practice and identity.

The aims of this module are:

1. Provide an introduction to library resources and appropriate use of library facilities to inform research and practice.
2. Develop students' confidence in the use of research resources online and face to face through library facilities.
3. Establish ways of working appropriate to and applicable to professional practice.
4. Develop a knowledge of gallery and cultural resources and how they relate to the development of professional practice.
5. Be able to critique methods and ideas.

What will I learn?

On successful completion of this module students will be able to:

- Use library facilities to undertake research and apply to assignments.
- Recognise a range of cultural resources including; galleries, museums, shops/informal display spaces and assess such facilities in the formation of an emergent practice.
- Display project work to peers and other selected audiences.
- Critically assess the presentation of project work.
- Select and edit project work for display.

¹ European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, where 60 ECTS credits equate to the workload of a full-time academic year

How will I learn?

Seminars, lectures, workshops, gallery and museum visits

Learning method	Hours
Lectures	6
Seminars	8 hours
Specified Learning Activities	36 hours
Autonomous Student Learning	50
Total Workload	100

What learning supports are provided?

Journals and Magazines
Contemporary artists notebooks
Relevant texts

How will I be assessed?

Assessment tool	% of final grade	Timing
Portfolio of module work	60%	End of Trimester 2
Presentation Display of work	40%	End of Trimester 2
Total	100%	

Written assessment , presentation
Students will receive a written brief and assessment guidelines from the course tutor.
Students will be assessed at the end of the module
Students can expect written and verbal feedback on assessment outcomes.

What happens if I fail?

Resit Opportunities

Where students fail to achieve the learning outcomes for the module an opportunity to resit will be provided at the end of the trimester.

Failure to successfully complete the module and achieve 30 ECTS will result in students not attaining the award and progressing to the next level.

Remediation

If you fail this module you may repeat, resit, or substitute where permissible.

Am I eligible to take this module?

Module Requisites and Incompatibles

Pre-requisites	None
Co-requisites	None
Incompatibles	None
Prior learning	Where a student can demonstrate that they have achieved at least 80% of the learning outcomes of this module, by academic certified achievement, or through quantifiable and documented experience, they can apply to the School for that prior learning to be recognised. Applications must be received prior to the commencement of delivery of the module.
Recommended	None

When and where is this module offered?

Using bookable room facility for lectures and seminars

Trimester 2

How will I have the chance to evaluate the module?

It is important to NCAD that students inform the development of teaching and learning at NCAD. We encourage all students to communicate their concerns and their observations about their study to members of staff so that any changes can be made in a timely manner.

A student forum will be convened to gather students' comments about their study and the delivery of the programme. In addition, at the end of Trimester 2, students have the opportunity to complete an online evaluation of their study and experience at NCAD. These evaluation events are important to current and future students, to ensure we can enhance the delivery of programmes at NCAD.

In addition, you are invited to discuss your experience on the module with your lecturers at any point during the year. You can also relay your comments to the class student representative who will communicate your comments to the staff.

For further details on the content of your module and teaching arrangements consult your Programme or Module Handbook