

Ceramics

CEAD1010

MODULE DESCRIPTOR

ECTS credits¹	10	Programme	University Certificate in Visual Arts Practice
NQF level	7	School	Education
Stage	1	Module Co-ordinator	B. Seck
Trimester	Autumn and Spring	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 to:

- Encourage students to experiment with materials and techniques.
- Acquire skills in visual research and design processes.
- Explore materials and techniques such as; building, joining, mould making and manipulating clay.
- Experiment with surface treatments including glazes.
- Observe appropriate health and safety requirements for studio practice.

What will I learn?

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

- Demonstrate a range of techniques applicable to ceramic design.
- Apply experimentation and research methods to the development of ideas.
- Select and utilise appropriate materials techniques and methods suite to design process and project work.
- Document and record stages of research and ideas development.
- Interpret a brief creatively.
- Produce a body of 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?

Through workshops, demonstrations, small group discussion, crits and presentation

Learning method	Hours
Seminars	55
Specified Learning Activities	50
Autonomous Student Learning	95
Total Workload	200

What learning supports are provided?

Small group tuition; library resources; peer learning

How will I be assessed?

Assessment tool	% of final grade	Timing
Portfolio of module work	100%	End of module
Total	100%	

Students will receive a written brief and assessment guidelines from the module tutor.

Students will be assessed at the end of the module and end of the spring trimester.

Students can expect written and verbal feedback on assessment outcomes.

What happens if I fail?

Resit Opportunities

Opportunities will be provided during or at the end of the spring trimester to students who do not complete all assessments, but students will not be able to progress to the next stage of the programme until they have successfully completed all learning outcomes and modules.

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	Introductory ceramics
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?

Appropriate space booked through college bookable room system

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 the spring trimester, 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