**KEY INFORMATION**

Foundation Diploma in Art & Design at Leeds Arts University

- **Course**: Foundation Diploma in Art & Design
- **Qualification**: Foundation Diploma in Art & Design
- **Validating Body**: University of the Arts, London
- **Regulatory Body**: Education Funding Agency (EFA) and Skills Funding Agency (SFA)
- **Length of Course**: One year
- **Location of Study**: Vernon Street Campus, Leeds, LS2 8PH

**Staffing**

Students will be taught by staff at the following levels: Course Leader; Pathway Leader; Lecturer; Workshop Managers, Supervisors or Instructors. Staffing can often change on Further Education courses but we aim to notify you of any senior staffing changes as soon as possible.

**Entry Requirements**

You should have a minimum of 72 UCAS points plus four GCSE passes, including Maths and English Language (or equivalent), at Grade C/Level 4. You should also be able to submit an e-portfolio of work which demonstrates your interests and ability in art and design.

For further information on entry requirements [click here](#).

**Pathways**

Students can specialise in one of four pathways:

- Fine Art Pathway
- Moving Image, Advertising, Graphic Design, Photography & Illustration Pathway (MAGPi)
- Object and Spatial Design Pathway (OSD)
- Textiles, Fashion and Costumes Pathway (TFC)

**Composition of Course and Delivery Methods**

There are three stages to study in our Foundation Diploma in Art & Design:

During Stage 1 you will be set a range of short projects that will develop your understanding of art and design ‘languages’ in a wide range of media. You will also develop your technical understanding across a range of workshops.
In Stage 2 you will work within a Specialist Pathway focusing on either MAGPi (including moving image, advertising, graphic design, photography, illustration), Fine Art (including painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, film and video, performance), Textiles, Fashion & Costume (including constructed textiles, embroidery, surface pattern, fashion design, costume design), or Object and Spatial Design (including architecture, interior design, theatre design, transport design, product design, furniture design, jewellery). You will have the opportunity to work with a wide range of media including printmaking, photography, wood, metal and plastics, fabric-printing and dyeing, computer software, book-binding, glass, ceramics, jewellery, animation, and moving image. As well as technical workshops you will engage in a series of one-to-one tutorials and group critiques.

Stage 3 is a 9 week project proposed, time managed and undertaken by you. This fosters the independence required to undertake the most challenging undergraduate courses.

A programme of lectures, seminars, research and reading will introduce you to the breadth of art and design. You will develop an understanding of contemporary practice within your specialist pathway and will compile a critical journal; this will prepare you for the discussions that you will have in the studio and at degree-course interviews.

**Methods of Assessment**

100% coursework

**Fees & Other Costs**

**UK Students**

There are no fees for Home and EU students aged under 19 on 31st August in the year their course commences.

19 years old and above* - £5,421

* We are currently waiting for the Department of Education to announce Further Education tuition fees for 2019-20. The above cost is for 2018-19. There are no fees for students aged 19-23 studying their first level 3 qualification.

Students aged 19 and over are able to apply for an Advanced Learning Loan to help pay for their course fees for Foundation Diploma.

Please visit [www.gov.uk/advanced-learning-loans](http://www.gov.uk/advanced-learning-loans) for more details.

**International Students** - £11,300. Fees for undergraduate International students will increase by inflation each year.

For further information on fees and financial support click here.

**Other Costs:**

Some materials are provided as part of the course but dependant upon their specialism and ambition students will need to purchase additional materials, the majority of which are available in college at a reduced cost. Typically students spend on average between £10 and £15 a week once in specialist area. Further costs include preparing a portfolio for interview and cost of travel to BA interviews.