



Diploma in Fine Art
NQF 6
SAQA ID: 100802

Location: City Campus

Description of the Programme

The programme is designed to develop the learners’ unique creative talent and understanding of the role art plays in the world through a variety of disciplines.

Since its establishment in 1884, the Fine Art Programme at the Durban University of Technology has maintained its position as one of the best in Southern Africa. It is proud of its students who have gone on to excel in their chosen fields, the high standards set by the staff, all professional artists in their own right and of the excellent facilities that the department has to offer.

The programme is offered full- time and the department is situated on the City Campus (Painting, Printmaking, Drawing and Art Theory) as well as at the ML Sultan Campus (Sculpture and Ceramics).

The programme is organised on an incremental basis, the first three years lead to the award of a Diploma in Fine Art. After the first year of study, you may choose to specialise in two of the studio subjects, supported by courses in Art Theory and General Education.

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Alongside these studio subjects the study of Art Theory and Communication sets out to develop your understanding and familiarity with the traditions of art and the exciting and at times challenging contemporary scene. Entrepreneurial Studies and Professional Practice prepare you for entry into the world of the working artist whether as an exhibiting artist, craftsperson, community art officer, gallery curator, designer or teacher.

All students are provided with the opportunity to serve the community through practical community work

Duration

This programme is offered on a full-time basis for three years.

Career Opportunities

The field is diverse and challenging. On completion of the programme, the student will be qualified and prepared to embark on a career as a professional artist working individually from a private studio or in collaboration with other artists to produce work of exhibition standard for galleries and collections of fine art throughout the country.

A recent survey has indicated that most of our past students have been gainfully employed as self-employed professional artists or within the educational or design fields as lecturers, technical art advisors, textile designers, gallery assistants, illustrators, advertising designers and visualizers.

Entry Requirements (Diploma in Fine Art)

NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC) (01 January 2009)		SENIOR CERTIFICATE (SC) (PRE 2009)
NSC DIPLOMA ENTRY: Applicants with 24 points or more		SENIOR CERTIFICATE (SC)
Compulsory Subjects	NSC Rating Code	
English Home OR English (First additional)	3	
And Three 20 credit subjects (not more than one language)	3	

Additional Entry Requirements:

You will need to have a National Senior Certificate or its equivalent to enter the first year of study. Further to this, there is a selection process, which will be guided by a set of criteria, which include evidence of a high standard of creativity and interest in art and an adequate level of written and spoken English. Art as a qualifying subject will be an advantage. You will need to come to an interview to which you should bring a portfolio of at least 20 drawings of objects drawn from life and a self - portrait drawn from a mirror. Additional creative work (drawings, paintings, sculpture, prints, etc.) will be an advantage. At the interview, you will be required to complete a 40-minute visual-comprehension test.

OR**Admission Requirement based upon Work Experience, Age and Maturity****For admission to entry level DIPLOMA and certificate studies:**

A person may, subject to such requirements as the Senate may determine, be admitted to the Institution even if such a person is not in a possession of a National Senior Certificate, Senior Certificate or an equivalent certificate, provided that:

- The person shall have reached the age of 23 in the first year of registration and shall have at least:
 - three years' appropriate work experience; and/or
 - capacity for the proposed instructional programme, which shall be assessed at the discretion of the respective Head of Department by a Senate approved admission assessment comprising of a DUT Standardised Assessment Test for Access and Placement (SATAP), Academic Literacies (AI) & English for Academic Purposes (EAP) and/or an appropriate subject or programme specific written assessment designed and marked by the relevant Department; and
- The relevant Faculty Board shall be satisfied that the person's standard of communication skills, ability to study successfully and/or work experience are such that the person, in the opinion of the relevant Faculty Board, should be able to complete the proposed instructional programme successfully. If required, the communication skills and study skills should be tested; and
- The person's application for admission in terms of work experience, age and maturity is approved prior to registration. Applicants intending to gain admission through work experience, age and maturity must submit their applications at least four months before commencement of the academic year inclusive of the date of scheduling writing a requisite eligibility assessment.

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Tuition Fees

To assist you with your planning, the 2020 fees have been indicated. An increase for next year to accommodate the inflation rate can be expected.

Please Note: DUT cannot be held liable for the fees in this brochure, as the 2021 fees are not yet final.

First Year Curriculum (Diploma in Fine Art)

Name of the Module	Module Code	HEQSF Level	SAQA Credits	2020 Fees
Semester One				
Art Theory IA	ATHA10I	6	12	R2010.00
Cornerstone 10I	CSTN10I	5	12	R2530.00
Studio Practice IA	STPA10I	5	32	R10800.00
TOTAL				R15340.00
Semester Two				
Art Theory IB	ATHB10I	6	16	R2010.00
English for Arts	EGLA10I	5	12	R2880.00
Studio Practice IB	STPB10I	5	32	R10800.00
TOTAL				R15690.00
Total Credits for Semester One & Two			116	

Second Year Curriculum (Diploma in Fine Art)

Name of the Module	Module Code	HEQSF Level	SAQA Credits	2020 Fees
Semester One				
Art Theory IIA	ATHA20I	6	12	R2010.00
Studio Practice IIA	STPA10I	6	23	R9620.00
Interpersonal Communication and Self	ICMS10I	5	8	R1800.00
Media and Visual Literacy	R2880.00	5	12	R2880.00
TOTAL				R16310.00
Semester Two				
Art Theory IIB	ATHB20I	6	12	R2010.00
Community Engagement	CENG10I	5	8	R2270.00
Professional Practice II	PFSP20I	8	6	R2590.00
Studio Practice IIB	STPB20I	5	32	R10800.00
TOTAL				R17670.00
Total Credits for Semester One & Two			122	

Third Year Curriculum (Diploma in Fine Art)

Name of the Module	Module Code	HEQSF Level	SAQA Credits	2020 Fees
Semester One				
Art Theory IIIA	ATHA30I	7	12	R2010.00
Critical Thinking	CRTH10I	5	10	R2880.00
Information & Communication Tech Literacy and Skills	ICTL10I	5	8	R1950.00
Studio Practice IIIA	STPA30I	7	28	R9620.00
World of Work	WVRK10I	5	8	R1710.00
TOTAL				R18170.00
Semester Two				
Art Theory IIIB	ATHB30I	7	12	R2010.00
Professional Practice III	PFSP30I	7	8	R2510.00
Social Responsibility	SCLR10I	5	12	R1800.00
Studio Practice IIIB	STPB30I	5	32	R10800.00
TOTAL				R17120.00
Total Credits for Semester One & Two			130	

Application

Applicants who wish to enrol for the programme must apply through the CAO system by no later than 30 November of the previous year.

For Application Forms:

Contact the Central Applications Office (CAO)

Address letters to

Central Applications Office

Private Bag X06

Dalbridge 4014

Tel: (031) 268 4444

Fax: (031) 268 4422

OR

Apply online: <http://www.cao.ac.za>

CAO Code: DUCDFA

Closing date for applications: 30 November 2020

For Further Information

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