

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Identifying Direction
2	Module Credits	40
3	Module Level	5
4	Module Code	VIS5041

5	Module Overview
<p>This flexible module reflects upon the range of experiences in Level 4 and Level 5 to allow you to identify a specific direction for your own practice and future aspirations. This will then form the initial stage and design of your Level 6 study. In this module, you will explore possible approaches, areas of research and projects that will help define your area of practice.</p> <p>The aim of this module is to enable you to develop confidence in exploring your own visual language and interests within a range of projects and give direction to your on-going studies. The structure of this module encourages you to develop a more focused, in-depth and advanced form of study; this will then directly feed forward into the Critical Practice Module of Level 6. You will then become the 'author and driver' of your work and creative direction, this will be achieved with support of your tutors.</p> <p>Students will engage with a mixture of theoretical lectures, workshops, projects, group and individual tutorials and critiques. Peer learning within small groups of like-minded students will take place in a supportive and safe environment, to enable discussion and peer insight into possible creative and career avenues.</p> <p>In fulfilment of one of the Learning Outcomes, and in relation to your work and areas of interests you will explore experimental approaches to the presentation of research. You could produce a written, visual, or spoken piece of research, the form of which may include (but is not limited to) one of the following:</p> <p>Photo or video essay</p> <p>Verbal presentation or performance</p> <p>Editorially-led text</p> <p>Whichever way you choose to present your research, you will need to adhere to academic conventions – which may mean providing an additional transcript and list of references.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
<p>The module will consist of a combination of lectures, workshops, presentations and tutorials; developing further your understanding of the contextual themes that underpin your discipline whilst focussing on the application of knowledge and appropriate skills to support your practice. The focus of the level will be to transform you from an active learner to an autonomous learner.</p>	

7		Module Learning Outcomes
On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:		
	1	Utilise established techniques of analysis and enquiry to initiate, underpin and define self-directed study.
	2	Construct a personal body of work to articulate an individual direction within a defined area of practice.
	3	Explore professional and technical competencies to support personal direction.
	4	Reflectively evaluate your own learning and describe personal routes for exploration at L6.

8		Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome				
		Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-4		x		

9		Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities		Hours	
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable		78	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE		242	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams		80	
Total Study Hours:		400	