Stage 1 (University Foundation) – Architecture and Design

Duration: 2 semesters

Intakes: January & September

The pathway in Architecture and Design will enable you to develop practical skills as well as your creative potential. From architecture to graphic design, these degrees will give you the confidence to create the designs and spaces of the future whilst developing your creative potential.

The Foundation has been designed for students who wish to study one of the following University of Portsmouth degree courses:

* BA (Hons) Animation

*If you fancy yourself as a concept creator, storyteller, designer, artist or animator with an eye for visual quality, then this course may be of interest.*

* BA (Hons) Architecture

*As a student on our RIBA accredited BA (Hons) Architecture course you will benefit from dedicated studio space located in the newest wing of the Eldon Building, home to the University’s Faculty of Creative and Cultural Industries. You will have on site access to materials, workshops, digital and analogue facilities as well as extended hour’s access to studio and IT suites.*

* BA (Hons) Graphic Design

*This course offers you the opportunity to explore graphic design through a range of digital and traditional media. The curriculum is based around thematic teaching with a strong emphasis on research informed design practice.*

* BA (Hons) Interior Architecture and Design

*This course enables students to develop a strong design identity through creative investigation of the interior. The focus of studies is on both the adaptation of existing buildings by manipulating the architectural fabric and occupying new spaces through designing atmospheric environments.*

* BA (Hons) Illustration

*As an illustrator you will have a unique voice to challenge and change convention, and our aim to help you understand your role as a cultural producer in a broad, social, political and historical context.*

* BA (Hons) Fashion and Textile Design

*Studying fashion and textile design at the University of Portsmouth you can expect to develop distinctive, creative, industry relevant design expertise, making you an attractive candidate for a wide range of employment opportunities.*

**Course information**

One credit is equivalent to 10 hours of learning. This programme is comprised of 130 credit points, equivalent to 1300 notional hours comprised of 340 contact hours and 960 self-directed hours. You will study the following modules over two semesters:

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| **Module Name** | **Module Code** | **Core/ Option** | **Credit** | **Assessment Type** | **Weighting (%)** |
| ICT Skills  **Contact hours per week:** **3h** | BUS107BL | Core | 10 | (A) Practical exercise covering word and excel skills | 40 |
| (B) 2 hour closed book exam | 60 |
| Business Management  **Contact hours per week:** **4h** | BUS110 | Core | 20 | (A) In-class test - 60 mins (closed book) | 40 |
| (B) 2 hour closed book exam | 60 |
| Interactive Learning Skills and Communication  **Contact hours per week:** **5h** | ILSCBL0 | Core | 20 | (A) Research and Reference a Topic | 10 |
| (B) Oral Presentation | 20 |
| (C) Group Project | 20 |
| (D) Closed Book Examination 2.5 hours to include listening component | 40 |
| (E) PDP Portfolio | 10 |
| Portfolio Development  **Contact hours every other week:** **4h** | PORTDE | Core | 30 | (A) Portfolio of Set Projects | 100 |
| New Media and Digital Cultures  **Contact hours per week:** **4h** | MED101 | Core | 15 | Small Group Wiki | 100 |
| Portfolio Development 2  **Contact hours every other week:** **4h** | PORTDE2 | Core | 30 | (A) Portfolio of Set Projects | 100 |
| Research Method, Critical Thinking & Expression  **Contact hours per week:** **4h** | RES101 | Core | 15 | (A) 1 hour in-class test | 20 |
| (B) 1000 word written argument | 20 |
| (C) Final 2 hour closed book exam | 60 |
| Design Concepts  **Contact hours per week:** **3h** | SCI132 | Core | 20 | (A) Written design report (2000 words) | 40 |
| (C) Final 2 hour closed book examination | 60 |

You will be required to pass all modules (130 credits) in order to successfully complete Stage 1 (University Foundation).