

Fine Art (5 year course)

University of Edinburgh

Venues

Central Campus

Content

Year 1:

Your study is equally weighted between History of Art and the School of Art in Years 1 and 2. You will be working in studios alongside students studying the BA Hons subjects in the School of Art. You will follow year-long studio and research courses with projects that introduce different methods, materials and approaches to art practice. Teaching in the School of Art is tutorial, seminar and critique based. Within History of Art, you will take History of Art 1 and 2 respectively (running in both semesters), and one more semester-long course each year. These courses cover the period from the fall of the Roman Empire to the end of the Counter-Reformation, and from the 18th century to the present day. You will also study classical art, which examines the heritage of Greece and Rome.

Year 2:

As Year 1.

Year 3:

You will follow the studio and research courses alongside BA students in the School of Art. The emphasis shifts from projects to deadlines and you will have the opportunity to engage in external projects and events, alongside extended periods of self-initiated study. Within History of Art you may choose from a wide variety of specialist topics including aspects of ancient, Medieval, Renaissance and modern art in Europe, and also of Islamic and Chinese art, or contemporary art history and theory courses, covering cutting-edge practices in the 21st century in an international context. In Year 3 your study is equally weighted between History of Art and School of Art.

Year 4:

As Year 3. In Year 4 two thirds of your study is based in History of Art.

Year 5:

In Year 5 two thirds of your study is based in the School of Art. In History of Art you will write a dissertation on a topic of your choice. The major part of the year is taken up with research and production of your work in the studios and this will constitute 50 per cent of the final degree classification grading.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

W150

Course Length

5 years

Faculty

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Department

Edinburgh College of Art

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (first sitting) or 4 or 5 Highers at AAB/ABBB (two sittings) plus English at National 5 at C. Evidence of artistic ability.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (two sittings) plus English at National 5 at C. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting. Evidence of artistic ability.

SCQF Level

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Progression Routes

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