

Materials for Stage One

It is important that you have your own set of tools and materials that you can use throughout your time in the Fine Art Department.

We have Metal and Wood workshops that will allow you to sign out certain tools and an art shop that is open each day, where you will be given a fixed amount of credit as part of your First-Year induction.

There will also be certain materials supplied as part of each strand during Semester 1.

Tools / Materials

You may have many of these items around your home or from college or school

- Claw hammer
- Pointy nosed pliers with wire cutters
- Screw Driver set, phillips and flathead, plus screws for appropriate material you are working with.
- Stanley Knife or Craft Knife
- Staple Gun and staples
- Small washing up bowl (For mixing plaster)
- Tape –masking tape, clear, gaffer.
- Glue – Prit, PVA
- String
- A pack of flat and round headed brushes for oil painting
- A paint palette – This could be an off cut of perspex or Formica.

Paper and Sketch books

- Pack of A5 or A4 cartridge paper pad.
- Sketch book(s).
- A1 portfolio for the storage of your work can be very useful. You will also need a good small padlock for your storage locker.

Smart Phone or Camera.

-Smart Phone with video and stills camera or your own digital camera - for moving image work and the documentation of work. If you do not have a smart phone with a camera, you can book a camera from the media suite. Please note if you book out equipment you will sign a returns agreement.

Clothes

All the workshops can get very messy and it is a very good idea to invest in overalls or a large, heavy-duty apron and sensible shoes.

Computers.

The Fine Art Digital Media Suite is equipped with pcs for working digitally with visual images. Students buying a new laptop computer may wish to consider buying either an Apple iBook or a notebook pc for study purposes, depending on what they are most comfortable using.