

# HNC Fine Art



## Course Overview

In year one you will complete a Higher National Certificate in Fine Art at Level 4.

On completion of your Higher National Certificate, you will complete a Higher National Diploma in Fine Art at Level 5.

The HNC in Fine Art is designed for students who are passionate about Art & Design and want to develop their own creative practice at a higher level. This course will help to build the skills you've already developed and give you the opportunity to explore a wide range of creative practices in order to refine and focus your own specialist pathway.

The course aims to prepare you fully for developing your own practice by incorporating contextual awareness alongside professional and employment-focussed skills.

Through a range of projects involving investigation, research and communication skills, you will examine historical and contemporary aspects of Art and Design in order to analyse and prepare research information for written and seminar presentations.

You will explore a range of artistic skills which will develop into more personal techniques as you progress into your chosen area of specialism.

The College has a wide range of equipment/facilities for art and design including:

- Your own dedicated studio space
- Print workshop
- Ceramics studio
- 3D workshop
- Fully-equipped photography studio including traditional darkroom
- Regular visits to galleries, museums and exhibitions will help to consolidate your understanding of art appreciation and inform your own work

## What You Will Study

### Year 1:

- The Level 4 Higher National Certificate consists of 120 credits at Level 4 delivered via Module A Process & Practice.
- A1 Concept and Development
- A2 Creative Project

### Year 2:

- The Level 5 Higher National Diploma consists of the Level 4 Higher National Certificate (above) plus an additional 120 credits at Level 5 delivered via Module B Professional Creative Practice.

START DATE	LEVEL
September 2026	Level 4
STUDY MODE	DURATION
Full-time	1 year
AWARDING BODY	LOCATION
Pearson BTEC	Wakefield College



For further information about this course, including Entry Requirements, Assessments and Further Study, scan the QR code.

## Need More Information?

For additional course information please contact the Course Information Team on **01924 789111** or email [courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](mailto:courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk).

To learn more about Wakefield College, our facilities and how we can support you please visit our website [www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk](http://www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk).

## Quick Links



How to  
Apply



Student  
Support



Virtual  
Tours

- B1 Personal Professional Development
- B2 Professional Project

## Attendance Expectations

The course is full time for 30 weeks per academic year. Students are expected to work independently for a minimum of 10 hours per week in addition to timetabled sessions.

## How You Will Be Assessed

Assessment takes place during assignment briefs, and upon completion of assignments. Creative practical work, academic written reflections, presentations and research are assessment through peer, tutor and self-assessment.

## Entry Requirements

Minimum 64 UCAS tariff points from A Levels or a Level 3 Diploma in a related subject OR an Access course.

GCSE at Grade 9-4 in English Language (or equivalent qualification) is required.

Those with previous experience or learning that is relevant may be eligible via our Accreditation Prior Learning APL process for accreditation towards this course.

All applicants are required to attend an interview, you will also need to bring with you a portfolio of your work. A member of the course team to discuss your reasons for applying and your career plan.

## Fee Information

£7,400.

Although some basic materials are available, students are expected to use their own specialist art materials, according to creative practice. A computer/laptop is required to undertake research and writing.

## Further Study

Progression to HND Fine Art, which can be studied at Wakefield College.