

Applying to the
PG Course/PG Certificate
Learning and Teaching
in the Creative Disciplines

Guidelines for Applicants
(for January 2027 entry)



Pathways available

Applications are welcome from colleagues who teach and/or support learning.

Two pathways are available to align with different roles and experience:

1. PG Course: Learning Design and Teaching Practice in an Art School (20 credits)

If you have a limited role in teaching we invite you to apply for this course (PGCert Course 1 only)
e.g. a Graduate Teaching Assistant, member of professional service staff, or a visiting lecturer

2. PG Certificate: Learning and Teaching in the Creative Disciplines (60 credits)

If you have a substantial role in teaching which **includes the assessment of student learning**
e.g. an academic member of staff, or a colleague in a direct learning support role.

If you'd like to discuss the nature of your role and the relevant application pathway, please contact us at learningandteaching@gsa.ac.uk

Application Form

You should complete the online application form available at:

<https://www.gsa.ac.uk/postgraduate-degrees/pg-cert-learning-teaching-in-the-creative-disciplines>

As part of your application you **MUST** also submit:

1. **For GSA Staff: A letter of support from your line manager**
2. A Personal Statement.
3. Evidence of academic qualifications.
4. Evidence of English language proficiency.
5. An outline of your duties in learning, teaching and assessment within Higher Education (SCQF Level 7 or above).
6. A copy of your passport (if applicable).



Personal Statement Guide

Your personal statement (approx. 800 words) should:

- Provide a concise self-evaluation of your reasons for wishing to join the course/programme at GSA.
- Indicate why you consider the course/programme important to your future development.

As part of your statement you should also provide:

- An account of your role and experience in teaching and/or supporting student learning **in higher education** over the past 2-3 years.
- An outline of the teaching/support for student learning that you will be involved in over the duration of the programme (Jan 27 onwards).
- Details about your role in the assessment of student learning (for applicants to the full PG Certificate).



English Language Requirements

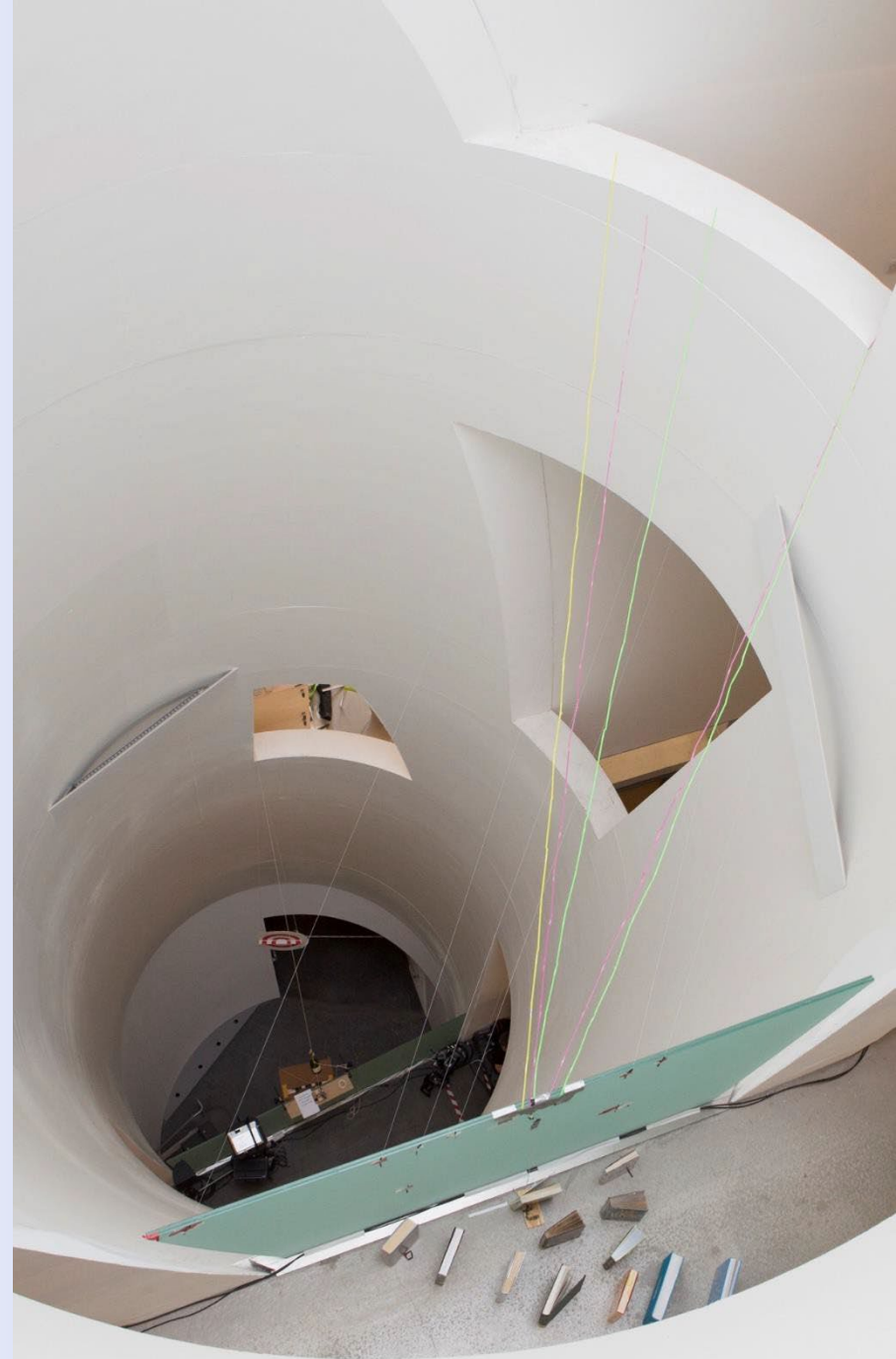
Students will have to provide evidence of English language proficiency where applicable.

Students who have a degree from an English-speaking country, or are a national of an English-speaking country as listed in the UKVI Guidance, may use this as proof of English language ability.

International Students

Unfortunately we are not able to sponsor overseas students on part-time programmes.

This includes the PGCourse/PGCert Learning and Teaching in the Creative Disciplines.



Assessment Criteria

The Programme Team use the following criteria to assess your application for entry:

- A Bachelors Degree.
- Current and ongoing experience of teaching or supporting student learning in Higher Education in the creative disciplines.
- Evidence of English language proficiency.
- Potential and ambitions for development within the programme.

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