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| Degree Course: | BA Hons Creative Arts |
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| Visual Studies 1: Creative Arts Today | BA Hons Creative Arts (owning course) BA Hons Visual Communications BA Hons Creative Writing BA Hons Drawing BA Hons Graphic Design BA Hons Illustration BA Hons Music BA Hons Photography BA Hons Painting BA Hons Textiles | Duration of unit  Amend to maximum 12 months  Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 70 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 330  Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery                                   | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory Framework on maximum period of registration for units      Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching & learning Methods     The overall amount will still be 400 hours for a 40 credit unit but this will align across all Level 4 units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.     The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 4 units  |
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# **Current Stage 2 (HE5) Units**

There are no Stage 2 (HE5) units that are 'owned' by the BA Hons Creative Arts degree.

Summary of changes to existing units, by level that are 'owned' by this degree course. As these are existing units then the effective date will be from August 2021.

| Unit Name:  | Degree Courses Affected   | Summary of Proposed Changes to Unit Descriptor   | Rationale for Changes  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Creative Arts 3: Body of Work  Creative Arts 3: Research  Creative Arts 3: Sustaining Your Practice | BA Hons Creative Arts (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts (owning course)   | Duration of unit     Amend to maximum 24 months for Research/Body of Work units that are studied simultaneously.     Amend to maximum 12 months for Sustaining Your Practice unit  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit but     still allow required co-requisite units to be studied     and assessed together.     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit  |
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NB These units have not opened to enrolments so no students are currently enrolled on any of the units listed in the table below.

| Unit Name:                                    | Degree Courses Affected | Summary of Proposed Changes to Unit Descriptor   | Rationale for Changes  |
|---|-------------------------|--|--|
| Creative Arts 1.1 Experience<br>Creative Arts | BA Hons Creative Arts   | Content Section Update this section  | Content Section Clarify the content of the unit and indicative syllabus        |
|   |                         | Aims Update Aim 2 to read "Introduce you to a range of a choice of disciplines with examples for the development of creative skills" | Aims Clarify the aim as it is an example not a choice in this unit.            |
|   |                         | Reading Lists Add extra source   | Reading Lists Extra source is included in the unit notes as a reference text   |
| Creative Arts 2.1 Creative Arts<br>Relations  | BA Hons Creative Arts   | Content Section Update this section  | Content Section To make the section clearer and remove any grammatical errors. |
|   |                         | Aims Update Aim 2 to read "To introduce and explore a range of themes to expand personal practice and research"                      | Aims Clearly defines practice and research                                     |

| Degree Course: | BA Hons Creative Writing |  |
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| Writing 1: Art of Poetry  Writing 1: Scriptwriting | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course BA Hons Creative Arts  BA Hons Creative Writing    | Duration of unit  Amend to maximum 12 months  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic     Regulatory Framework on     maximum period of registration for     units   |
|  | (owning course<br>BA Hons Creative Arts  | <ul> <li>Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to</li> </ul>  | Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  |
| Writing 1: Writing Skills                          | BA Hons Creative Writing<br>(owning course<br>BA Hons Creative Arts<br>BA Hons Photography | <ul> <li>be 70 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 330</li> <li>Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery</li> </ul>  | The overall amount will still be 400 hours for a 40 credit unit but this will align across all Level 4 units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.   |
| Writing 1: Starting Your Novel                     | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course  |   | The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 4 units   |
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|                          |   | Unit Descriptor                                     |  |
| Writing 1: Scriptwriting | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course | Learning Outcomes Reword existing Learning Outcomes | Learning Outcomes Aligns with course unit materials and unit content |
|                          | BA Hons Creative Arts                   |   |  |

| Unit Name:  | Degree Courses Affected  | Summary of Proposed Changes to Unit Descriptor   | Rationale for Changes  |
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| Writing 2: Life Writing  Writing 2: Poetry, Form and    | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course BA Hons Creative Arts BA Hons Creative Writing (owning | Duration of unit  ■ Amend to maximum 18 months   | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework on maximum period of registration for units   |
| Freedom   | course BA Hons Creative Arts   | Indicative Teaching & learning Methods   | Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching &   |
| Writing 2: Writing Short Fiction Writing 2: Writing for | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course BA Hons Creative Arts BA Hons Creative Writing (owning | Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 90 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 510   | <ul> <li>learning Methods</li> <li>The overall amount will still be 600 hours for a 60 credit unit, but this will align across all Level 5 (60 credit) units (existing and new) and better reflect</li> </ul>  |
| Children  Writing 2: Moving on With                     | course BA Hons Creative Arts BA Hons Creative Writing (owning                                  | Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery  | <ul> <li>the scheduled activities.</li> <li>The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 5 units</li> </ul>  |
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|                             |                                  | Unit Descriptor                   | _   |
| Writing 2: Life Writing     | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning | Learning Outcomes                 | Rationale for changes to Learning Outcomes            |
| Writing 2: Poetry, Form and | course                           | Reword existing Learning Outcomes | Alignment with course unit materials and unit content |
| Freedom                     | BA Hons Creative Arts            |                                   |   |
| Writing 2: Writing Short    |                                  |                                   |   |
| Fiction                     |                                  |                                   |   |
| Writing 2: Writing for      |                                  |                                   |   |
| Children                    |                                  |                                   |   |

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| Writing 3: Retrospect & Prospect | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course | Duration of unit     Amend to maximum 18 months  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of maximum unit times for 60 credit  |
| Writing 3: Independent Project   | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course | <ul> <li>Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 75 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 525</li> <li>Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery</li> </ul>                      | units.  Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  The overall amount will still be 600 hours for a 60 credit unit, but this will align across Level 6 (60 credit) units and better reflect the scheduled activities.  The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 6 units   |
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|                                   |   | Unit Descriptor                                     |   |
| Writing 3: Independent<br>Project | BA Hons Creative Writing (owning course BA Hons Creative Arts | Learning Outcomes Reword existing Learning Outcomes | Rationale for change to Learning Outcomes Alignment with course unit materials and unit content |

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| Painting Media  | course) BA Hons Fine Art BA Hons Drawing  | <ul> <li>Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 70 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 330</li> <li>Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>The overall amount will still be 400 hours for a 40 credit unit but this will align across all Level 4 units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.</li> <li>The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 4 units</li> </ul>  |
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| Painting 1: The Practice of Painting | BA Hons Painting (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts BA Hons Drawing | Content     Description of content has been reworded     Add personal project to syllabus bullet points | Rationale for changes to content     Whilst the content remains the same, more emphasis has been placed on painting process, technique and material. Some repetition of content around visual observation has been edited out     The personal project is an important and enjoyable part of this course                          |
|                                      |  | Aims<br>Reword Aim 2 – replace significant with<br>relevant   | Rationale for changes to Aims The Aim refers to learning about 'significant artists'. Whilst the canon and art history are important, significant is a term which might discourage proper attention to artists who have been historically overlooked. Relevant also allows for student discoveries to be considered and analysed. |
| Painting 1: Understanding            | BA Hons Fine Art   | Content   | Rationale for changes to content  |
| Painting Media                       | BA Hons Drawing  |   |   |

|  | Syllabus content has been updated to | Clarify the range of non traditional materials listed is a set of |
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|  | replace including with 'for example' | suggestions rather than required resources.                       |

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| Painting 2: Studio Practice  Painting 2: Exploring Media | BA Hons Painting (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts, BA Hons Fine Art BA Hons Painting (owning course) | Duration of unit  Amend to maximum 18 months   | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework on maximum period of registration for units  |
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| Painting 2: Studio Practice | BA Hons Painting (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts, BA Hons Fine Art | Content Description of content has been reworded   | Rationale for changes to content Clarify the content   |
| Painting 2: Exploring Media | BA Hons Painting (owning course)   | Content Rewrite the content to more accurately depict the structure and format of the unit | Rationale for changes to content  During the production of this course changes were made to the structure and content to make it more about painting and also to give more space to students on their second level two unit to work on their own ideas. These decisions were made as a result of conversations with students and meetings open to all level two students. The content and syllabus have been rewritten to more accurately reflect this |

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|---|--|--|--|
| Painting 3: Major Project  Painting 3: Contextual Studies  Painting 3: Sustaining Your Practice | BA Hons Painting (owning course) BA Hons Painting (owning course) BA Hons Painting (owning course) | Duration of unit     Amend to maximum 24 months for Major Project / Contextual Studies units that are studied simultaneously.     Amend to maximum 12 months for Sustaining Your Practice units  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit but     still allow required co-requisite units to be studied     and assessed together.     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit  |
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| Painting 1.1 Drawing for Painting | BA Hons Painting        | Content Section Re-worded content section      | Rationale for changes to Content Section To mention the painting degree at the outset. Additional sets of exercises available in this course were taken from units called drawing skills and exploring drawing media to provide both core and extended opportunities to develop drawing. These have been renamed 'core' and 'extended' to be clearer about their function |
| Painting 2.1 Ideas Lab            | BA Hons Painting        | Content Section Re-worded content section      | Rationale for changes to Content Section Rewording of the content here as the previous wording attempted to cover modes of exclusion / barriers to access as a list rather than leave them open to be discussed and expanded.   |

| Degree Course: | BA Hons Photography |  |
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| Photography 1: Context & Narrative  Photography 1: Expressing Your Vision | BA Hons Photography (owning course)  BA Hons Photography (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts BA Hons Graphic Design BA Hons Visual Communications | Duration of unit  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic     Regulatory Framework on     maximum period of registration for     units  Rationale for changes to Indicative  |
| Photography 1: Identity and Place   | BA Hons Photography (owning course)   | <ul> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 70 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 330</li> <li>Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery</li> </ul>   | Teaching & learning Methods  The overall amount will still be 400 hours for a 40 credit unit but this will align across all Level 4 units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.  The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 4 units  |
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| Photography 2: Digital Image and Culture        | BA Hons Photography (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts BA Hons Moving Image | Duration of unit     Amend to maximum 18 months  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework on maximum period of registration for units  |
| Photography 2: Self and the Other               | BA Hons Photography (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts                      | <ul> <li>Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 90 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be</li> </ul>   | Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  The overall amount will still be 600 hours for a 60 credit unit, but this will align across all Level 5 (60)   |
| Photography 2: Documentary - Fact and Fiction   | BA Hons Photography (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts                      | <ul> <li>510</li> <li>Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery</li> </ul>   | <ul><li>credit) units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.</li><li>The new detail aligns the current activities that</li></ul>   |
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| Photography 3: Body of Work  Photography 3: Contextual Studies  Photography 3: Sustaining Your Practice | BA Hons Photography<br>(owning course) BA Hons Photography<br>(owning course) BA Hons Photography<br>(owning course) | <ul> <li>Duration of unit</li> <li>Amend to maximum 24 months for Body of Work/ Contextual Studies units that are studied simultaneously.</li> <li>Amend to maximum 12 months for Sustaining Your Practice units</li> </ul>  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit but     still allow required co-requisite units to be studied     and assessed together.     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit  |
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| Photography 1.1: Approaching Photography | BA Hons Photography     | Content Section  Remove pathways text Remove repetition in content section  Reading Lists Updated reading list to include: specific chapters scanned resources available electronically remove outdated resources | Rationale for changes to Content Section  Unit now combines the pathways  Make more readable and accessible  Rationale for Changes to Reading Lists Recent work to make current 1:1 unit 100% accessible electronically via TALIS has enabled this update, plus some adjustments to keep currency of curriculum |
| Photography 2.1: Challenging Genres      | BA Hons Photography     | Content Section Minor changes in content section  Reading Lists Updated reading list to include: - dates electronically accessed - removal of resource specific resource  | Rationale for changes to Content Section Improve readability. In line with 'challenging' genre, enable student choice to span more than one.  Rationale for Changes to Reading Lists - update - not used  |

| Degree Course: | BA Hons Textiles |  |
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| Textiles 1: A Textiles<br>Vocabulary                                  | BA Hons Textiles (owning course)<br>BA Hons Creative Arts          | Duration of unit  Amend to maximum 12 months  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework on maximum period of registration for   |
| Textiles 1: Ideas and Processes  Textiles 1: Mixed Media for Textiles | BA Hons Textiles (owning course)  BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 70 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 330  Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery   | Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  The overall amount will still be 400 hours for a 40 credit unit but this will align across all Level 4 units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.  The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 4 units  |
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| Textiles 1: Ideas and Processes      | BA Hons Textiles (owning course)                          | Content Removed specified size of work              | Rationale for changes to content The course and assessment takes a more flexible approach to final outcomes  |
|                                      |   | Aims<br>Reworded Aim 1 and Aim 2                    | Rationale for changes to Aims To align with the materials the students are using   |
|                                      |   | Learning Outcomes Reworded Learning Outcome 1 and 2 | Rationale for changes to Learning Outcomes To align with course materials and the Learning Outcomes used by students to select work for assessment |

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| Textiles 2: Contemporary Practice Textiles 2: Contemporary Context | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) BA Hons Creative Arts, BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Duration of unit  ■ Amend to maximum 18 months   | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework on maximum period of registration for units  |
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| Textiles 2: Contemporary | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Aims   | Rationale for changes to Aims                      |
| Practice                 | BA Hons Creative Arts,           | Reword Aim 2and Aim 4                          | To align with the materials the students are using |
|                          |                                  | <u>Learning Outcomes</u>                       | Rationale for changes to Learning Outcomes         |
|                          |                                  | Reworded Learning Outcomes 2, 3 and            | To align with course materials and the Learning    |
|                          |                                  | 4  | Outcomes used by students to select work for       |
|                          |                                  |  | assessment   |
| Textiles 2: Contemporary | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Content  | Rationale for changes to content                   |
| Context                  |                                  | Minor word changes                             | Correct typo and make relevant to 3 not 2 Stage 1  |
|                          |                                  |  | (HE4) Textiles units.                              |
|                          |                                  | Learning Outcomes                              | Rationale for changes to Learning Outcomes         |
|                          |                                  | Minor word change                              | Correct a typo                                     |

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| Textiles 3: Personal Specialism  Textiles 3: Research  Textiles 3: Sustaining Your Practice | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) BA Hons Textiles (owning course) BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Duration of unit     Amend to maximum 24 months for Research/Personal Specialism units that are studied simultaneously.     Amend to maximum 12 months for Advanced/Sustaining Your Practice units   | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit but     still allow required co-requisite units to be studied     and assessed together.     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit  |
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| Textiles 3: Personal<br>Specialism   | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Learning Outcomes Reword all Learning Outcomes      | Rationale for changes to Learning Outcomes To align with course materials and the Learning Outcomes used by students to select work for assessment. |
| Textiles 3: Research                 | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | <u>Learning Outcomes</u> Reword Learning Outcome 3  | Rationale for changes to Learning Outcomes To align with course materials and the Learning Outcomes used by students to select work for assessment. |
| Textiles 3: Sustaining Your Practice | BA Hons Textiles (owning course) | Content Minor word change  Aims Reword Aims 1 and 2 | Rationale for changes to content To correct a grammatical error  Rationale for changes to Aims To align with the materials the students are using   |

| Degree Course: | BA Hons Visual Communications |  |
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| Book Design 1: Creative Book Design     | BA Hons Visual Communications<br>(owning course)<br>BA Hons Illustration<br>BA Hons Graphic Design            | Duration of unit  | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic     Regulatory Framework on     maximum period of registration for   |
| Visual Skills 1: Visual Dynamics        | BA Hons Visual Communications (owning course) BA Hons Illustration BA Hons Graphic Design BA Hons Photography | <ul> <li>Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 70 and change No. of</li> </ul>  | units  Rationale for changes to Indicative  Teaching & learning Methods  The overall amount will still be 400  |
| Visual Communication 1: Graphic Fiction | BA Hons Visual Communications<br>(owning course)<br>BA Hons Illustration<br>BA Hons Graphic Design            | hours of independent activity to be 330  Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery  | <ul> <li>hours for a 40 credit unit but this walign across all Level 4 units (existing and new) and better reflethe scheduled activities.</li> <li>The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 4 units</li> </ul>   |
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| Visual Skills 2: Visual Exploration | BA Hons Visual Communications<br>(owning course)<br>BA Hons Illustration<br>BA Hons Graphic Design | <ul> <li>Duration of unit</li> <li>Amend to maximum 18 months</li> </ul>   | Rationale for change to Duration of Unit     To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory     Framework on maximum period of registration for units  |
|                                     |  | <ul> <li>Indicative Teaching &amp; learning Methods</li> <li>Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 90 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 510</li> <li>Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery</li> </ul>                      | Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching & learning Methods     The overall amount will still be 600 hours for a 60 credit unit, but this will align across all Level 5 (60 credit) units (existing and new) and better reflect the scheduled activities.     The new detail aligns the current activities that will contribute to delivery across all Level 5 units  |
|                                     |  | <ul> <li>Table A1- Assessment Components</li> <li>Clarify that Level 5 units all have one assessment component of Portfolio</li> <li>Update Typical Indicative Assessment Tasks and offer different formats where applicable eg presentations</li> <li>Word Count</li> </ul> | Rationale for changes to Table A1- Assessment Components The 3 changes here are being done to maintain consistency across all Level 5 units. In order to support more accessible approaches to critical thinking tasks, such as critical reviews or dissertations, a choice of alternative formats has been established. The outcomes of any critical thinking or contextual study tasks can be achieved through either written or presentation formats. Presentations can include any combination of audio, video, and visual presentation. These clarifications also align to OCA's Assessment for Learning model |
|                                     |  | Table A4- Assessment Criteria Replace current assessment with 3 new criteria of Knowledge, Understanding and Application. Ensure existing Learning Outcomes are clearly mapped   | Rationale for changes Table A4- Assessment Criteria The new criteria work across all subjects at all Levels and support OCA's move to assessment for learning. The criteria focus on the extent to which knowledge of relevant concepts, practices, theories, and contexts are demonstrated, the level of   |

|  | to the new assessment criteria.  | understanding demonstrated through the testing and application of knowledge, and the degree to which knowledge and understanding are demonstrated through the application of technical, communication, personal, transferable, and graduate skills. A set of range statements articulate these across levels and grade boundaries                                       |
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|  | Reference Material  All reference material will be relocated to OCAlearn resources and will be wholly digital. Unit descriptors will reference a link to the student VLE | Rationale for changes to reference material  Changes in process at UCA mean reading lists can now be more responsively curated. We also now have access to exceptionally high quality digital resources and OCAlearn with the capacity to share those resources in a user-friendly way. Paper books as core unit requirements risk disparity of access and exclusivity. |

Summary of changes to existing units, by level that are 'owned' by this degree course. As these are existing units then the effective date will be from August 2021.

| Unit Name:  | Degree Courses Affected   | Summary of Proposed Changes to Unit Descriptor  | Rationale for Changes   |
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| Advanced Practice (owning course)  Visual Communications 3: BA Hons Visual Corrow (owning course) | BA Hons Visual Communications (owning course) BA Hons Visual Communications | Duration of unit  Amend to maximum 24 months for Visual Research/Advanced Practice units that are studied simultaneously.  Amend to maximum 12 months for Sustaining Your Practice units  Indicative Teaching & learning Methods  Change No. of hours of scheduled activity to be 50 and change No. of hours of independent activity to be 350  Update the typical activities that contribute to delivery | <ul> <li>Rationale for change to Duration of Unit</li> <li>To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory         Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit but         still allow required co-requisite units to be studied         and assessed together.</li> <li>To align with OCA's Academic Regulatory         Framework of 12 months per 40 credit unit</li> <li>Rationale for changes to Indicative Teaching &amp;         learning Methods</li> <li>The overall amount will still be 400 hours for a 40         credit unit, but this will align across all Level 6 (40         credit) units (existing and new) and better reflect         the scheduled activities.</li> <li>The new detail aligns the current activities that         will contribute to delivery across all Level 6 units</li> </ul> |
|   |   | <ul> <li>Table A1- Assessment Components</li> <li>Clarify that Level 6 units all have one assessment component of Portfolio</li> <li>Update Typical Indicative Assessment Tasks and offer different formats where applicable eg presentations</li> <li>Word Count</li> </ul>  | Rationale for changes to Table A1- Assessment Components The 3 changes here are being done to maintain consistency across all Level 6 units. In order to support more accessible approaches to critical thinking tasks, such as critical reviews or dissertations (where applicable),, a choice of alternative formats has been established where applicable. The outcomes of any critical thinking or contextual study tasks can be achieved through either written or presentation formats. Presentations can include any combination of audio, video, and visual presentation. These clarifications also align to OCA's Assessment for Learning model  |

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