

Progression Agreement

2022

Between Laser Learning Awards
Access to HE Diploma courses
and Goldsmiths, University of London
undergraduate programmes



Goldsmiths
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON



Goldsmiths' commitment

Goldsmiths is committed to promoting access and diversity and this is clearly reflected in the diversity of our student population. We have a strong tradition of recruiting mature students, with 22% of our undergraduate students aged over 21.

LASER is proud of its history of supporting education and training providers for over 30 years. LASER promotes widening participation, social inclusion, employer engagement and lifetime learning for all.

Goldsmiths has always valued the Access to HE Diploma as an academically strong qualification giving students a solid foundation for higher education study.

Goldsmiths is therefore delighted to present this agreement with LASER Learning Awards, which validates Access to HE Diplomas through the South East England region.



Admissions agreement

See tables for details of the admissions agreement, listed by academic department

Programme	Diplomas	Agreement	Additional requirements
Department of Anthropology			
BA Anthropology	- Humanities	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	None
BA Anthropology and Media	- Social Science		
BA Anthropology and Sociology	- Humanities combined with Social Science		
BA Anthropology and Visual Practice			
Department of Art			
BA Fine Art	- Art and Design	Guaranteed interview	Portfolio required at interview
BA Fine Art and History of Art			
Department of Computing			
BSc Business Computing and Entrepreneurship	- Computing	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules. Level 2 Maths requirement may be waived where sufficient Maths units are taken within the Diploma	GCSE Maths at grade B/6. Other Level 2 qualifications will be considered
BSc Computer Science			
BSc Computing			
BSc Creative Computing			
BSc Data Science			
BSc Digital Arts Computing			
BSc Games Programming			
BSc/BMus Electronic Music, Computing and Technology	- Computing		
Department of Design			
BA Design	- Art and Design	Guaranteed interview	Portfolio required at interview

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Department of Educational Studies			
BA Education Studies	- Art and Design - Business Studies - Humanities - Humanities combined with Social Science - Social Science - Teacher Education	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 distinctions and a number of merits/passes following interview and possibility of lower offer for particularly strong interview performance	Interview
Department of English & Creative Writing			
BA English	- Humanities - Humanities combined with Social Science	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	None
BA English with Creative Writing	- Humanities - Humanities combined with Social Science	Guaranteed interview or offer dependent on writing sample	Submission of recent written work
Department of History			
BA History	- Humanities	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	None
BA History and Politics	- Humanities and Social Science		
BA History and Journalism			
BA History with Anthropology			
BA History with Global History			
BA History with Military History			
BA History with Public History			
Institute for Creative & Cultural Entrepreneurship			
BA Arts Management	- Art and Design - Business Studies - Humanities - Plus other diplomas where experience and interest can be demonstrated	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 27 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes	None

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Institute of Management Studies			
BA Economics BA Economics with Marketing BSc Management with Economics BSc Management with Marketing BSc Marketing BSc Management with Entrepreneurship	– Business Studies – Social Science	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	GCSE Maths at grade B/6. Other Level 2 qualifications will be considered
Department of Law			
LLB Law LLB Law with Criminal Justice and Human Rights LLB Law with Politics and Human Rights	– Social Science	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 33 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	None
Department of Politics & International Relations			
BA International Relations BA International Relations and Chinese BA Politics BA Politics and International Relations BA Politics, Philosophy and Economics	– Humanities – Humanities and Social Science – Social Science	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules and the possibility of a lower offer for particularly strong applicants	None
Department of Psychology			
BSc Psychology BSc Psychology with Clinical Psychology BSc Psychology with Cognitive Neuroscience BSc Psychology with Forensic Psychology	– Biomedical Sciences – Psychology – Science	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	GCSE Maths and English at grade B/6. Other Level 2 qualifications will be considered

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Department of Social, Therapeutic & Community Studies			
BA Social Science, Community Development and Youth Work	– Counselling – Health & Health Sciences – Humanities combined with Social Science – Social Science – Social Work	Guaranteed interview	Work experience
BA Psychosocial Studies	– Art and Design – Counselling – Health & Health Sciences – Humanities combined with Social Science – Social Science – Social Work	Guaranteed interview	None
Department of Sociology			
BA Sociology BA Sociology and Chinese BA Sociology and Politics BSc Sociology with Criminology BA Criminology	– Humanities – Humanities combined with Social Science – Social Science	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	None
Department of Visual Cultures			
BA Curating BA History of Art	– Art and Design – Humanities	Guaranteed offer of Pass of Access to HE Diploma with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions and a number of merits/passes in subject-related modules	None

Please note: The offerings in these tables are subject to an application being submitted via UCAS, a personal statement relevant to the subject applied for and relevant units being undertaken within the Diploma. Goldsmiths reserves the right to ask for a new statement where necessary.

If you have already completed your Diploma or are doing a Diploma in a subject not listed we would still be happy to consider your application. Please contact the Admissions team for further information. Email: admissions@gold.ac.uk



Support for students and colleges

Student Recruitment and Widening Participation staff from Goldsmiths will be available to LASER partner colleges to provide information, advice and guidance on the programmes available to study at Goldsmiths. Staff will be able to advise on progression routes, personal statements, HE choices, portfolio preparation and student finance.

As a partner institution, we will work with you to agree and select the best available combination of activities to best meet your access learners' requirements.

On the following pages you will find a list of activities that form our current offer to schools and colleges. In addition, all students will have access to a booklet, created to support mature students considering or entering Higher Education. This is available online and in paper copy.

Get in touch with the team by emailing outreach@gold.ac.uk



Talks and workshops

Our experienced and engaging team deliver talks and workshops on a range of subjects relating to higher education. These can be delivered in colleges, or as part of a bespoke visit to our campus.

Our range of talks and workshops includes:

- Choosing a university
- Choosing a course
- Student finance and budgeting
- The UCAS application
- Personal statements
- Studying at Goldsmiths
- Student life
- Studying in London

These workshops would normally last for around 45 minutes, and we are happy to discuss bespoke workshops and combining two or more sessions into a longer session.

The team also delivers dedicated Personal Statement support throughout the application process. We can provide workshops for groups of students at the beginning of the process as well as one-to-one consultation.

Goldsmiths offers a range of subject-based taster days that give prospective students the opportunity to gain an in-depth understanding of teaching and learning at university level. Developed and delivered by leading academic staff, the sessions aim to stimulate enquiry, broaden knowledge of the subject area, and introduce students to a wider network of academics, undergraduate students and peers. Through this Progression Agreement, students attending a taster day can be introduced to a current Student Ambassador who has also come via an Access course to discuss their journey to HE.



Open Days

At our Open Days students will be able to:

- Discuss study options with academic staff
- Meet other mature students, and receive tailored information and guidance
- Go to course information sessions and sample lectures
- Tour Goldsmiths' lively, vibrant campus, or explore our campus using our virtual tour
- Get advice on financing their studies
- Experience what student life is like
- Ask current students about their experiences of university so far

Pre-Enrolment support for incoming students

To ensure all LASER Students feel fully supported and equipped to achieve their potential once they are confirmed as an incoming Goldsmiths student, they will be prioritised on the Goldsmiths transition programme.

Students who apply through this Partnership Agreement will also be prioritised for the Student Ambassador Scheme, providing they are successful at the assessment day.

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