

## CUA40720 Certificate IV in Design



The Certificate IV in Design qualification provides a pathway to a career in design via further training and study or employment. Students work to achieve competency in design related skills and knowledge. They develop their personal abilities and skills to produce a folio of work suitable to gain entry to further study or employment in design.

### ACTIVITIES/TASKS

Delivery is via weekly practical, theory, and workshop sessions. Units of competencies (UOCs) are clustered into NCAT Folio Preparation subjects delivered over the full year. Activities include Job Briefs of set workplace tasks or projects, participation in-group discussions, and a final presentation on the implementation and outcomes of specified projects. Students must participate in practical workshops, tests, demonstrations, presentations, excursions, gallery visits, create of an online portfolio, oral presentations, self-evaluation exercises, questionnaires & surveys.

### UNITS OF COMPETENCY

Core		Electives	
BSBCRT411	Apply critical and creative thinking to work practices	CUAACD313	Produce technical drawings
CUAACD411	Integrate colour theory and design processes	CUADIG415	Produce innovative digital images
CUADES305	Source and apply information on the history and theory of design	CUADRA311	Produce drawings
CUADES411	Generate design solution	CUADRA401	Experiment with techniques to produce drawings
CUADES412	Interpret and respond to a design brief	CUAGR411	Research and apply graphic design techniques
CUAPPR411	Realise a creative project	CUAILL401	Develop and refine illustrative work
CUAWHS312	Apply work health and safety practice	CUAIND411	Extend expertise in specialist creative fields
		CUAPHI403	Enhance, manipulate and output photo images

To receive the CUA40720 Certificate IV in Design students must successfully complete seven core and eight elective units.

### LENGTH OF COURSE

This is a one-year program for 35 weeks. Classes are on four days a week. Three days from 9:00 – 3:15 and a fourth day 9:00 – 5:00. Students are encouraged to attend a fifth Open Studio day to work on their practical work with access to materials, equipment and a trainer. This allows time for the development of the underpinning skills and the preparation of a portfolio of practical work.

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## ELIGIBILITY & PREREQUISITES

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There are no prerequisites for the units of competency delivered in this program however having CUA30720 Certificate III in Design Fundamentals and some creative and design skills is an advantage. Candidates must complete an application form and attend an interview to demonstrate their interest in the area.

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## ASSESSMENT

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Learning and assessment is integrated, with assessment evidence being collected and feedback provided to the student on an ongoing basis. Core and elective subjects cover a variety of contexts using practical and some written tasks. These include group-based, work-based, project-based, self-paced work and involve practice and experience in a simulated work environment. Job Briefs outline tasks, the competencies to be demonstrated and the practical outcomes to be produced. Units of Competency are clustered as course subjects delivered over the course of the full year. The units of competency selected provide students with a folio that demonstrates the building of acquired skills and the development of a specialised portfolio.

Students will be given a fair and adequate assessment process that includes multiple opportunities to demonstrate competency.

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## BENEFITS OF TRAINING

This qualification prepares people for skilled work at a pre-professional level and for learning at higher levels, through design qualifications at Diploma, Advanced Diploma and Degree levels.

## APPLICATION & ENROLMENT PROCESS

Apply online on [ncat.vic.edu.au](http://ncat.vic.edu.au) home page. An interview will be arranged following this. Prospective students must demonstrate an interest in and capacity for design practices. Phone the college on Tel 9478 1333 for an appointment. Enrolment is held at the college. Literacy & numeracy are tested on enrolment to establish individual needs.

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## COURSE FEES

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All tuition fees, materials and amenities charges and available concessions are published on the tertiary program section of the NCAT website in the [NCAT Schedule of Fees](#) and are subject to annual review.

This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government funding subject to an [eligibility](#) assessment. ([www.skills.vic.gov.au](http://www.skills.vic.gov.au))

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*The student tuition fees as published are subject to change given individual circumstances at enrolment.*

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## PATHWAYS

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Senior students and mature age students seeking a career change use the Certificate IV in Design as a pathway to a career in Design. The Certificate IV in Design provides a pathway to further study at a TAFE and/or Higher Education Design programs at university level across a broad range of design disciplines. It can also lead directly to employment opportunities such as a junior design assistant.

It is highly recommended that people undertaking this qualification possess some relevant art or design skills and knowledge prior to entry. This could be demonstrated through skills in drawing or particular art and/or techniques.

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## POLICIES

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For details regarding Access, Equity, Privacy policy, Refunds policy, Student conduct, Welfare Services and Complaints Policy, please see the Tertiary Handbook available on the NCAT website.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this qualification at the time of publication.

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