Certificate IV in Visual Arts
RMIT Code C4311, FT/PT, City Campus

Information about this program is available at www.rmit.edu.au/programs/C4311

What will I be studying as part of this program?
The Certificate IV in Visual Arts is a practical studio–based qualification which provides students with an understanding and broad knowledge in a range of art methods.

Areas of study include drawing; digital art; sculpture; printmaking; painting; public art; and art theory. Upon completion of this program, students will produce a folio of artwork for use in further training and/or to seek work in the visual arts industry.

What are the pathways for this program?
Students who complete this program will be able to apply for the Diploma of Visual Arts should they wish to continue their studies.

How many students are accepted into the program?
2014 – 70 applicants.
2014 – 44 student places.

How many contact hours and self-directed study hours per week?
Students are expected to attend 20 hours of classes over 20 weeks and undertake approximately 5-10 hours of extra study and research weekly.

What is the duration of study?
The Certificate IV is a full time 6-month intensive program and is available for midyear entry only. Part time study is not available. Midyear entry opens from the 1 May each year, for more information, visit: www.rmit.edu.au/midyear

What are the entrance requirements?
PREREQUISITES: None

SELECTION TASKS: Applicants must complete and submit a pre-selection kit which includes a folio component. Short listed applicants will be required to present their folio to a selection panel.

What is pre-selection?
Pre-selection is the process by which we select those applicants who will be shortlisted for interview for the Visual Art program. This process is very important and the kit should contain a folio of your best work which clearly represents your interests and artistic concerns.

What should I put in my folio?
The folio should contain artwork produced after 2012 that demonstrates the use of a variety of materials and techniques.
The following is a guide only:
• Freehand observational drawings/life drawings (max. 6-8)
• Visual Diary or Journal
• Any paintings, digital images, sculptures, public art or prints (max. 6-8).

How do I apply for this program?
Applications for the Certificate IV program can be made online via the RMIT Apply Direct website:
www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/direct

Please complete a pre selection kit and upload to your Apply Direct application.

Once applications are received, the School will contact you via email to schedule an appointment for an interview and presentation of your folio. Interviews for this program will take place in June.
Can I defer my place?
It is RMIT policy that all students are able to defer their studies for a maximum of 12 months.

Will I require extra materials and how much do they cost?
All costs below are approximate and minimum amounts.
- Art materials kit – approximately $400*
- Material fees - $300*
- Ongoing material costs - $500* per annum

In addition to tuition fees, you will be charged a student services and amenities fee (SSAF).

*Based on 2014 prices and are subject to change in 2015

Are there any equity places available?
If you are studying VCE or VCAL at a Schools Network Access Program (SNAP) school and want to apply to RMIT, please talk with your school's careers or pathway coordinator to help you go through the process for applying for equity consideration. For more information, visit www.rmit.edu.au/study/applying-to-rmit/equity-access

Are evening classes available?
Some courses maybe delivered in the evening depending on studio availability.

Do I need my own computer or any other special equipment or software?
A computer is advantageous but is not a requirement as students have access to computer labs with the relevant software.

What are the fees for this program?
The tuition fees a student pays depends if they are offered a state government-subsidised place or a full-fee place based on eligibility criteria, and are adjusted on an annual basis. Eligibility for a government-subsidised place will depend on your citizenship, age, prior education (Australian qualifications only) and the number of programs you are studying in the current year. You can check your eligibility using the eligibility calculator at: www.rmit.edu.au/programs/apply/vocational/eligibility.

Financial assistance may be available through the VET FEE-HELP scheme.