The Goldsmiths' Centre Foundation Programme 2023/2024 – Application Guidelines

What are the entry requirements for this course?

The Foundation Programme is designed to support students between 16-19 years of age/. The Goldsmiths' Centre welcomes applications outside of this age range, however, all applicants must be able to adhere to the following application criteria:

- You will be required to attend the Goldsmiths' Centre between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday during term time
- Ideally you will have GCSE Grades 9-4 /A-C in Mathematics and English
- Applications with non-standard qualifications are invited provided that you can demonstrate your abilities through sketch books or 2D/3D work in your portfolio
- We recommend that you have completed work experience in a workshop

Please contact us by emailing applications@goldsmiths-centre.org or by calling 020 7566 7650 to discuss your options, if you have any uncertainties about your application, or in order to attend one of our Open Days.

How to apply?

We are looking for young people who are able to show us their passion for creativity, craft and being part of this unique creative industry. For information about the course, to book onto our Open Days, read our course guidance and top tips on creating a successful application, visit www.goldsmiths-centre.org/courses/foundation-programme

- Please complete the application form via Survey Monkey. A link will be shared on 6th December 2022 via email and via our website www.goldsmiths-centre.org/courses/foundation-programme
- You will need to complete all sections of the application form and upload your CV and portfolio.
- **It is very important to note, that once you start the application via Survey Monkey, you will need to complete it. You will not be able to start the application and go back to it later. For this reason, a <u>sample application form</u> is included below on page 3 so that you can prepare your application prior to starting the application form via Survey Monkey.**
- If you are experiencing financial hardship, you may be eligible for the Goldsmiths' Centre's Grants, which cover any financial need necessary for your continued participation on the course, such as transport costs or accommodation. Please indicate this at the relevant section of the application form.

- Your application for the Foundation Programme 2023/24 must reach us by 10pm on Sunday 30th April 2023.
- As spaces are limited to 10 Foundation Programme trainees per year, once applications open on 6th December 2022, we recommend that you submit your application as early as you can.
- You will receive an email to confirm we have received your application.
- You will also receive a link to an online Equity, Diversity and Inclusivity form (EDI). This form is anonymous, and you must complete this for your application to be considered. This helps to support the Goldsmiths' Centre's EDI strategy – see www.goldsmiths-centre.org/about-us/equity-diversity-and-inclusion

If shortlisted, you will be required to attend a one-day assessment, which will take place at the Goldsmiths' Centre* (42 Britton Street, London EC1M 5AD) on Monday 23rd or Tuesday 24th May 2023 from 10am until 4.30pm.

You will be asked to participate in technical and creative skills exercises and will get to introduce yourself to some of our tutors. This is so we can evaluate your problem-solving skills and artistic ability whilst also allowing you to demonstrate your accuracy and willingness to learn. When you submit your application, please let us know which of the two dates is more convenient for you and we will do our utmost to honour your request.

*The venue for the Foundation Programme two-day assessment interviews is subject to change. These may be conducted online pending COVID-19 guidelines.

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Sample Application Form
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Question 1:

- Title (Mr, Miss or Ms)

Question 2:

- First name

Question 3:

- Surname

Question 4:

- Date of birth

Question 5:

- Home Address

Question 6:

- Email address

Question 7:

- Home telephone number (Please provide your parent or guardian's telephone number if you are under 18.)

Question 8

- Mobile number

Question 9:

Please state all qualifications for GCSE and above. For qualifications still in progress, please enter your predicted grades.

Question 10:

If you have any additional requirements to attend an interview at the Goldsmiths' Centre, please enter these here.

Question 11:

Personal statement (*See our top tips article on how to write a personal statement* goldsmiths-centre.org/news/news-foundation-programme-application-tips*)*

Your personal statement should explain why you wish to study on the Goldsmiths' Centre Foundation Programme under the following headings:

- Introduction to yourself

- Areas of study (which part of your study has led you to your application; any short courses you have attended; your use of materials
- Experience (Including work experience, volunteering etc.)
- Extra-curricular/hobbies
- Long-term ambitions (including progression aims)

If you wish to include a video recording of your personal statement, please send this to applications@goldsmiths-centre.org.

Question 12:

- How did you hear about the Goldsmiths' Centre Foundation Programme?

Question 13:

Do you require further information on the Goldsmiths' Centre's grants?

Question 14:

Please upload a recent passport photo here (file must be less than 16MB).

Question 15:

Please upload your CV here (file must be less than 16MB).

Question 16:

Please upload your portfolio here (file must be less than 16MB). (*See our top tips article on how to put together your portfolio -* goldsmiths-centre.org/news/news-foundation-programme-application-tips*)*

Question 17:

Are you able to attend either or both of the assessment days on 23 and 24 May at the Goldsmiths' Centre?

Question 18:

Please tick this box if you have had assistance completing this application form.

Question 19:

Signature and date

Question 20:

Signature of parent or guardian if under 18 years on 6 September 2022 and date.