

Graphic Communication National 5

Progression through Graphic Communication

This course or its component units may provide progression in the following way:

- exit to Further Education courses in design, or related subjects .
- exit to Higher Graphic Communication.

Course Content

The course allows candidates to develop an awareness of graphic communication as an international language and an understanding of how graphic communication technologies impact on society and the environment. Candidates initiate, develop and communicate ideas graphically, and develop spatial awareness and visual literacy through graphic experiences. They interpret graphic communications initiated by others, and use graphic communication equipment, software and materials effectively.

The course also provides opportunities to build self-confidence and enhance skills in numeracy, ICT, planning and organising work tasks, and in working independently and in collaboration with others. Candidates develop skills in critical thinking, decision making and communication.

Skills Developed

The course is practical, exploratory and experiential in nature and combines elements of recognised professional standards for graphic communication, partnered with graphic design creativity and visual impact.

Candidates develop:

- skills in graphic communication techniques, including the use of equipment, graphics materials and software
- the ability to extend and apply knowledge and understanding of graphic communication standards, protocols and conventions
- an understanding of the impact of graphic communication technologies on our environment and society.

Assessment

Exam

2 hours, 80 marks, externally assessed.

Assignment Task

40 marks, externally assessed.

Passing the course equates to one level qualification (24 SCQF credit points).

Related Careers

Graphic Communication is the language used to convey information in manufacturing industries such as:

- Civil Engineering
- Construction
- Product Design
- Graphic Design
- Architecture
- Teaching

Some famous faces who also had careers related to Graphic Communication include David Bowie, Alan Rickman, Iris Apfel and Freddie Mercury.

