

PROGRESSION AGREEMENT 2019-20

Between Goldsmiths, University of London
and Laser Learning Awards





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 31% of our undergraduate students aged over 21, and 24% over 25.

LASER is proud of its history of supporting education and training providers for over 27 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.

The offerings in the following tables are subject to an application being submitted via UCAS and a satisfactory personal statement relevant to the subject applied for. Goldsmiths reserves the right to ask for a new statement where necessary.

If the student has already completed their diploma or are doing a diploma in a subject not listed in the tables we would still be happy to consider their application. Please contact the Admissions team for further information.

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Programme	Diplomas	Agreement	Additional requirements
DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY			
BA Anthropology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Humanities - Social Science - 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 Anthropology and Media			
BA Anthropology and Sociology			
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 Creative Computing			
BSc Data Science			
BSc Digital Arts Computing			
BSc Games Programming			
DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN			
BA Design	- Art and Design	Guaranteed interview	Portfolio required at interview
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL STUDIES			
BA Education, Culture, Society	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Art and Design - Business Studies - Childhood and Youth 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

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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH & COMPARATIVE LITERATURE			
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 and American Literature			
BA English and Comparative Literature			
BA English and Drama			
BA English and History			
BA English Language and Literature			
BA English with Creative Writing		Standard entry requirements	
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY			
BA History	– Humanities – Humanities combined with Social Science	Standard entry requirements	None
BA History and Anthropology			
BA History and Politics			
BA History and Journalism			
INSTITUTE FOR CREATIVE & CULTURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP			
BA Arts Management	– Art and Design – Business and Enterprise – 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 30 distinctions and a number of merits/passes	None

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INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES			
BA Economics	– 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, Economics or Statistics at grade B/6. Other Level 2 qualifications will be considered
BA Management with Marketing			
BA Management with Marketing			
BSc Marketing			
BSc Management and Entrepreneurship			
DEPARTMENT OF MEDIA, COMMUNICATIONS & CULTURAL STUDIES			
BA Journalism	– Media, Literature and Culture	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 Media and Communications			
BA Media and Sociology			
BA Media and English			
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC			
BMus Popular Music	– Music and Media	Guaranteed interview	Portfolio required at interview. You should be able to demonstrate skills and experience in both practical musicianship and music creation

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DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS			
BA Economics, Politics and Public Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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
BA International Relations			
BA International Relations and Chinese			
BA Politics			
BA Politics and International Relations			
BA Politics, Philosophy and Economics			
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY			
BSc Psychology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. Maths requirement may be waived where sufficient Maths units are taken within Diploma	GCSE Maths and English at grade B/6. Other Level 2 qualifications will be considered
BSc Psychology with Clinical Psychology			
BSc Psychology with Cognitive Neuroscience			
BSc Psychology with Forensic Psychology			
BSc Psychology with Management			
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY			
BA Sociology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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
BA Sociology and Chinese			
BA Religion			
BA Sociology and Politics			
BSc Sociology with Criminology			
BSc Criminology			

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL, THERAPEUTIC & COMMUNITY STUDIES			
BA Applied Social Science, Community Development and Youth Work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Childhood and Youth Studies - Counselling - Health Studies and Social Care - Humanities - Humanities combined with Social Science - Social Science - Social Work 	Guaranteed interview	Work experience
BA Social Work		Standard entry requirements	
BA Psychosocial Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Art and Design - Childhood and Youth Studies - Counselling - Health Studies and Social Care - Humanities combined with Social Science - Social Science - Social Work 	Guaranteed interview	None
DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL CULTURES			
BA Curating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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
BA History of Art			

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.

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



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 45mins, 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 masterclasses ('GoldClasses') 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 GoldClass 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
- Visit the dedicated Mature Student Zone, where they will receive tailored information and guidance and meet other mature students
- Go to course information sessions and sample lectures
- Tour Goldsmiths' lively, vibrant campus
- 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 Goldsmiths students

To ensure all Laser Access 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 GoldStart transition programme.

GoldStart is an inclusive programme, designed to offer students the chance to:

- Get to know their department before they start their course
- Experience a sample lecture or seminar from their academic department
- Meet key academic staff
- Attend a bespoke session on Study Skills - designed specifically to support students coming from an Access course
- Meet key support teams, including staff from Student Wellbeing, Careers, the Students' Union, the Library and Academic Study Skills

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



