

Foundation Degree in Scenic Construction

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This course overview provides a summary of the Foundation Degree in Scenic Construction programme as offered from August 2021. Please note that whilst the information reflects the programme offered to date, it may be subject to amendment and change in future years. Students are always consulted on such change and details are made available to applicants holding offers. Each year of the course is worth 120 credits. In order to progress through each year students will have to pass all modules.

Year 1		Year 2	
Technical Skills	20 credits	Production	40 credits
Production Practice	20 credits	Industry Ready Skills	20 credits
Production Experience	40 credits	Industry Practice	40 credits
Production	40 credits	Professional Practice	20 credits

Year One

Technical Skills

Credits: 20

Assessment: Practical Test (75%), Written Report (25%)

A series of practical demonstrations, workshops and projects, carried out at our Llanishen Studios will introduce students to the roles within a construction team. Students will study the reading of construction drawings, use of hand tools as well as machinery, utilising the different materials used in the industry and introduce the relevant Health and Safety matters. A series of evening sessions will continue to compliment the Production Experience module that will include a development of Health and Safety regulations, codes of practice and legislation.

Production Practice

Credits: 20

Assessment: Practical Assessment (75%), Coursework (25%)

Tuition will take place at our Llanishen Studios as well as at RWCMD and will further develop students' knowledge of the work involved within the construction team for stage and screen. Areas of study will include: rope use and knots; flying and rigging for theatre; plans; drawings; working to scale and computer aided design; scaffolding and the use of access equipment. Students will assist in the construction of scenic elements and assist in the fitting up of upcoming productions for the Richard Burton Company. Students will develop a greater knowledge of Health and Safety relating to Theatre, Film and Television production work, including an introduction to tool box talks, risk assessments, method statements and construction (design and management) regulations (CDM).

Production Experience

Credits: 40

Assessments: Placement 1 (100%), Placement 2 (Pass/Fail)

Students will undertake two placements, one at the College's Llanishen Studio and theatres and one with an industry partner.

They will assist the construction team as required and learn to work with the wider production team and develop an approach to self-evaluation. Throughout this module students will attend complimentary evening classes in specialist technical skill. Students will further develop their knowledge of Health and Safety and that of the Health and Safety practices particular to an external company.

Production

Credits: 40

Assessment: Placement 1 (100%), Placement (Pass/Fail)

Students will work on two production placements, one at the College's Llanishen Studio and theatres and one with an industry partner.

They will work as a member of the construction team and collaborate with the wider production team, demonstrating leadership skills when appropriate and implementing Health and Safety best practice. Throughout this module the students will attend complimentary evening classes in specialist technical skills.

Year Two

Production

Credits: 40

Assessment: Placement 1 (100%), Placement (Pass/Fail)

For the first placement, students will adopt a higher role in the construction team in producing and installing a set for a Richard Burton Company production. Duties will include working with a range of artistic, managerial and technical staff. Students will attend meetings and discussion groups as required throughout the process. During the second placement, students will work as a member of a team with an external industry partner, fulfilling professional expectations, working independently and as a member of a team.

Throughout this module students will attend complimentary evening classes in specialist technical skills and advanced Health and Safety.

Industry Ready Skills

Credits: 20

Assessment: Coursework (Pass/Fail), Presentation (100%)

A series of classes, seminars and workshops developing students' understanding of their intended industry. Specifically, the module will focus upon professional development, presentation skills, management and financial training whilst further developing a higher level of health and safety knowledge. Alongside advanced practical skills training in aluminium welding, fork lift driving and advanced access equipment.

Industry Practice

Credits: 40

Assessment: Placement 1 (50%), Placement 2 (50%)

Students will adopt a lead role in the construction team in producing and/or installing a set for a production. Their duties will include working with a range of artistic, managerial and technical staff. The students will attend meetings and discussion groups as required throughout the process.

For the second placement, students will work as a member of a team with an external industry partner, fulfilling professional expectations, working independently and as a member of a team.

Throughout this module the students will attend complimentary evening classes in specialist technical skill

Professional Practice

Credits: 20

Assessment: Reflective Journal (50%), Presentation (50%)

Students will undertake a role in a construction team in a professional capacity. Their duties will include working with a range of professional artistic, managerial and technical staff. Student will attend meetings and discussion groups as required throughout the process.