

MASTER OF MEDIA ARTS
(VISUAL ARTS, DESIGN, MUSIC)

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Duration	One year full-time, or part-time equivalent
Where	City Campus, Hamilton
Applications Close	End of November
Starts	March
Fee Guideline	Domestic: \$5,650 International: \$18,900

The Master of Arts programme provides you with postgraduate study leading towards professional and higher academic practice. This one-year postgraduate programme is ideal for graduates who have completed the Bachelor of Media Arts (Honours) programme, equivalent qualification, a Postgraduate Diploma or professional practice.

You will extend your domain of practice through undertaking a body of sustained, independent research. This in-depth investigation is in your chosen area of visual arts, design or music practice within a research-focused learning environment. The programme will prepare you for high level investigation of, and intervention within your chosen academic or professional field.

As a Masters student you will receive supervision for both practical and theoretical components of your study. Additional supervision from both external representatives of your professional field and / or for students wishing to utilise Kaupapa Māori methodologies in their research are available. You will have frequent formal and informal meetings and critiques with other staff and students to discuss your work, helping you to analyse, evaluate and articulate your research practice. The learning environment is supportive, positive, varied and active, encouraging input from staff and students equally.

Facilities in Media Arts are made available to you as determined by the nature and requirements of your project. Individual studio spaces, fabrication workshops and industry standard digital environments are provided for Masters students. Various test spaces, exhibition sites, tutorial and critique rooms are used for scheduled classes and for formative and casual review of work. Technical staff maintain the operation of facilities and equipment and are available to assist you in practical and logistical issues in your study.

PROGRAMME CONTENT

You will study one module:

Research Project

This module is designed to allow you to advance and refine selected domains of visual arts, design or music practice through an extended research project. This research project consists of studio-based practice and a written dissertation. You are required to develop and implement a research methodology which synthesises and amplifies previous and concurrent experience. Research proposals are developed that account for your research project. These make reference to specialised bodies of contextual discourse and which test selected models of practice appropriate to your field of enquiry. Projects occur within a structured supervisory framework to facilitate the planning and implementation of original research and scholarship in your selected field.

GRADUATE OPPORTUNITIES

The Master of Arts provides pathways to further higher degrees or careers in the Arts, such as Professional Studio Artist, Musician, Sound Designer, Composer, Song Writer, Filmmaker, Digital Designer, Educator, Advertising Creative and Interactive Design.

ENTRY CRITERIA

- Corresponding Bachelor with Honours degree, or
- Postgraduate Diploma with a minimum of a B grade average or equivalent, or
- Work-related experience equivalent to a corresponding Bachelor with Honours degree. Candidates will be required to demonstrate a high order of knowledge of their principal subject of study, including analytic writing, or
- Tertiary qualification (degree or diploma) completed in no less than three years, and have achieved sufficient standing as a practising artist, designer or musician. The Media Arts Postgraduate Programme Committee will determine whether the work submitted by an applicant in support of their application is of a standard equivalent to Bachelor with Honours degree level. Applicants will also be required to submit a curriculum vitae confirming they have achieved a substantial record of exhibitions,

publications or performance in public venues or formats; or have gained professional experience, demonstrating advanced knowledge or performance, in their chosen specialisation, or

- A corresponding Bachelor degree and have completed four or more years of successful art, design or music teaching at tertiary or secondary level

Applicants will be required to present a synopsis of their proposed research project for consideration and approval by the Media Arts Postgraduate Programme Committee. Applicants will be required to meet with potential supervisors to discuss their proposed project.

Applicants will be required to study a pre-requisite course in Research Methodology prior to admission, should they not be able to demonstrate having acquired research skills to the appropriate level.

ENQUIRIES

To enrol contact our Student Enrolment and Information Centre on 0800 2 wintec (0800 2 946832) or online at www.wintec.ac.nz/contact.