



Kingston University London KINGSTON SCHOOL OF ART

FOUNDATION DEGREE IN HISTORIC BUILDING CONSERVATION

INTRODUCTION

The foundation degree in Historic Building Conservation is delivered at the Building Crafts College. The degree is offered in partnership with Kingston University, which is the validating institution. This exciting qualification consists of 8 modules forming the degree along with the additional option of hands-on practical work in the workshops at the Building Crafts College which FD students can undertake at no additional cost. Numerous site visits are planned as part of the course and the 1st year includes a study visit to Venice.

ENTRY REQUIREMENT

A minimum number of 75 CAT points (at A level, or A level equivalent) is normally required, together with a minimum of GCSE Grade 4 in English and Mathematics.

However, we welcome applications from older applicants who do not have qualifications which meet the formal entry standard. Above all we are looking for candidates to demonstrate their enthusiasm for historic building conservation and traditional crafts

Please see the Kingston University website for more details concerning the entry criteria:

<https://www.kingston.ac.uk/undergraduate-course/historic-building-conservation/>

Acceptance onto the course will be based on your application together with an initial interview at the Building Crafts College.

Your offer of a place on the course will be confirmed by the Course Director.

In addition to an application made to the Building Crafts College it is necessary to complete a UCAS application via the UCAS website:

<https://www.ucas.com/>

The Course needs to be applied for via the Kingston University Institution Code, K84.
The Course Code is K250

It may be an advantage if applicants have practical craft experience but each prospective student will be interviewed and considered on an individual basis. Please note that having a background in an industry other than construction or conservation should not be seen as a barrier.

COURSE DURATION

The course duration is 2 years. Progression is to a BSc(Hons) in Historic Building Conservation.

ATTENDANCE

Course attendance is for 1 full day per week from 9 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. In addition, students will be required to carry out directed private study and complete the required assignments. FD students can follow an additional course of study in one of our craft workshops on another day of the week.

APPLICATIONS

Those interested should apply to:
Steve Houchin (e-mail steve.houchin@thebcc.ac.uk)
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COURSE CONTENT

First Year	Second Year
Development of Skills for the Historic Environment. Includes the History of Architecture (classical to present day) and AutoCAD Students undertake a Study Visit to Venice as part of this module	Management of Conservation Projects Further measured surveys Commercial aspects of conservation contracts. Students undertake a scenario-based practical conservation project.
Conservation Legislation and Regulation Includes Health & Safety, Planning and Building Regulations	Traditional Building Construction and Repair Historic building technique and repair
Application of Skills in Conservation Includes introduction to measured survey work. Students undertake measured survey work on an historic building	Applied Conservation Measurement and Analysis The module considers how the surveying process assists in analysing practical conservation work
Context of Conservation and the Built Environment Introduction to the 'building envelope', and general conservation theory	Elective Project The student undertakes a practical conservation project of their choice

PROGRESSION

After successfully completing this foundation degree, students can progress to the top-up BSc(Hons) in Historic Building Conservation delivered by the Department of Architecture, School of Design in Kingston University.

The BSc(Hons) in Historic Building Conservation together with the FdSc in Historic Building Conservation is recognised by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and the Institute of Historic Building Conservation