THE GLASGOW SCHOOL: PARE

Programme Proposal

This Programme Proposal should be approved by the Executive Group and submitted to the Policy and Governance Department.

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Date Click here to enter a date.			
1. Programme Title MDes Silversmithing and Jewellery	MDes Silversmithing and Jewellery		
1.1 Award MDes			
PG Cert Silversmithing and Jewellery , PG Dip Silversmithing and Jewellery M Des Silversmithing and Jewellery	PG Dip Silversmithing and Jewellery		
1.3 Length of Programme 24 Months, 4 semesters			
	Undergraduate		
1.5 Mode of Delivery (please tick) Full time Part time Distar			
2. Entry Qualifications			
2.1 Highers Click here to enter text.			
2.2 A Levels Click here to enter text.			
A minimum of 2:1 Undergraduate Degree discipline or relevant experience in the same and the same and the same are same as a second class or their undergraduate degree or be able to appropriate prior learning and experience.	ubject area normally h equivalent o demonst	a ave : in	
2.4 IELTS Score Required on Entry 6.5 average with a minimum 5.5 in each	componer	nt	
3. Proposed Start Date September 2019			
4. School School of Design			

5.	Department	Silversmithing and Jewellery
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6.	Subject Area of the Programme	Silversmithing and Jewellery
	(e.g. Interior Design)	Silversimiting and Jewellery

7.	Source of Funding (e.g. SFC)	Click here to enter text.
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8. Indicative Tuition Fees(Home/RUK/Overseas)					
Home	£7020 p.a	RUK	£7020 p.a	Overseas	£17,640 p.a

9. Outline academic rationale and purpose of the programme: *Please explain the academic reasons for developing this programme*.

The Silversmithing and Jewellery (S&J) department has delivered a highly successful and influential undergraduate programme (or equivalent) since 1892 and now looks to broaden the departments scope by introducing a new 2 year Masters programme that builds on the departments expertise and expansive research interests. Research focus of academic and technical staff within the department aims to look beyond the object, to understand perceived status and value, narrative, complex digital fabrication, realities and technology, digital collaboration, metallurgy and fine detailed fabrication processes.

Our modern lives are now more than ever, defined by objects, our interaction with them and with the materials that create them. How they feel, their function and what they express about our personalities and perceived status are important questions in our understanding of the objects that define our lives. This understanding and questioning of materials is a core skill for the contemporary maker, however skills can be taken for granted and our understanding of material taken at face value. We need to question whether material is tangible (the object), definable or is it the ability to manipulate. Can we manipulate objects in the same way as we can alter sound/light or something as abstract as emotion and cultural boundaries/environment? All these possibilities of manipulation become material for the contemporary maker.

The proposed MDes in S&J encourages a fundamental reappraisal of previous understandings of material, to enable students to push boundaries of material possibility, conceptual themes, narratives and digital innovation. Through ongoing engagement with material exploration students are challenged to question and reposition their previous understanding of making and materials. The contemporary jeweller and applied artist inhabit an area often described as between the designer and fine artist and the programme encourages thought processes from both disciplines. How can we engage with material in a way that defines emotional response yet also encourages

enterprising and innovative thought? The programme sets out to enable students to challenge basic assumptions of material interaction and encourage collaboration in the areas of applied artistry, material culture, digital culture and society.

The programme will also challenge student's perception of the digital, which has become less concerned with what is digitally fabricated and looks more to what defines our sense of reality. Course content within the programme will explore the boundaries of the real, the tangible and fully exploit all possibilities of the digital through collaborative exploration of object, sound and visual.

The programme will include self-directed study as well as intensive week-long workshops that broaden students understanding of the field and surrounding disciplines through collaborative exploration, theoretical underpinnings of applied arts, exploration of digital realities, critical reflection and research techniques/applications.

Demand for this new programme is highlighted by a survey of graduates from UG S&J. Of those collected 31 responses 84% of alumni indicated that they were interested in studying a masters in S&J at GSA, with 90% wanting to apply within 3 years. Students responses noted the reputation of school and department as well as further developing professional and artistic practice as core reasons to apply for the course. A focus group has also been held with GSA final year students who have read through the programme rational. Their feedback was positive with students stating that the focus on creativity and material manipulation being a key consideration for their potential further study. Students stated that the workshop teaching was a key component to the proposed course and an attractive draw in applying.

Current S&J staff have taken part in teaching exchanges as well as recruitment trips to China, Japan and Taiwan all staff have noted a high interest in a masters programme in S&J at GSA whilst overseas. Our current UG programme attracts students from a large international pool including; Japan, North America and China. Recent applications for our successful Artist in Residence (AIR) programme also highlight a national and international interest to come and work within the S&J department. This year (2018) more than 35 Artist in residence applications were received from the UK, across Europe, the US and Canada.

10. Is there substantive overlap in terms of subject provision at this level in GSA? You may wish to comment in more detail below if there is inter-disciplinary overlap.		Yes 🗌	No 🖂
If yes, please provide details of th			
Programme	Click here to enter text.		
School	Click here to enter text.		
Programme Leader	Click here to enter text.		

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Please confirm this overlap					
been discussed with the	Yes				
relevant School					
Further comment?	Click here to	enter text.			
Please confirm this overlap	has				
been discussed with Stude	nt Yes 🗌				
Recruitment					
Further comment?	Click here to	enter text.			
11. Minimum and maxim	11. Minimum and maximum student numbers required to ensure that the provision is				
academically viable a		-	•		
Home/EU Students					
Minimum	4	Maximum	6		
RUK Students					
Minimum	2	Maximum	4		
Overseas Students					
Minimum	2	Maximum	4		
Please provide an explanation of the numbers given:					
The programme intends to commence with a group of 8 students starting the programme in 2019-2020. This programme intends to steadily increase the number of postgraduate students to 12 over the next three/four academic years. The initial student base would look to be made of up to 4 Scottish/home students and up to 4 RUK/overseas students. This balance is based on predictions from student's feedback and current percentages of UG numbers. The current S&J department has 5/6 Artist in Residence (AIR) posts and this number would reduce to 3/4 to accommodate the new MDes student cohort. There will be requirements from the GSA Estates to discuss with the department how additional space could be provided or the current space allocation be reconfigured to accommodate the additional Masters students					
12. Please confirm the following:					
a. A financial rationale h					
of Finance and Resources. Any capital bids envisaged in the next four years					
	for undergraduate programmes and three years for postgraduate programmes have been included in the financial rationale.				
b. The Director or Deput financial rationale to	-	e and Resources has submi	itted the		

	Analysis of the potential market for the programme in the UK and internationally, carried out in consultation with Marketing & Communications, and leading to formulation of
	marketing strategy: Please provide an overview of the current and future market conditions.
Com	plete (attached)
 14.	Please highlight aspects/areas of the programme where internationalisation is actively
	incorporated or intended.

The department will be actively promoting and recruiting international students to the programme. Our current international student applications for UG study have steadily increased over the last few years with the overseas applications making up over half of our UG applications. It would also be an ambition of the 2 year Masters to offer international exchange or industry work placement in semester 2 of the first year. The 2-year programme allows space in the curriculum to accommodate this, and is an attractive offer to potential students. The ambition is to have a diverse cohort of international, home and EU, RUK and European students.

15.	equalit	y, in line	with The	regard and consideration has been given to student diversity and e Glasgow School of Art's commitment to the Public-Sector Equality implementation of this proposal.
Yes	×	No		

16. Please outline below any potential for negative impact for students with protected characteristics in relation to the proposed programme and the actions taken to remove or mitigate this impact.

The Programme aims to maintain relatively small numbers within the student cohort, this factor has certainly helped the department to build a positive rapport and understanding of our students needs, as evidenced in the UG programme. This level of personal contact allows staff to work individually with students helping them where possible and managing IRF's.

17. Anticipated demand on staffing, resources and services (including English language support and welfare): Please list the expected FTE required for teaching and tutorials, all accommodation and workshop requirements. Also, state any monetary costs that would not be routine.

The programme will have one programme leader (0.5 contract hours, 0.3 in the first year) and will be supplemented by one member of staff (0.2 contract hours) as well as a V.L staffed workshops. These workshops will look at core themes in contemporary Applied Arts. The use of VL teaching workshops will further define the course from undergraduate study whilst giving an all-round benefit to the department. Staff involved in UG course will also work on workshop lessons during current staffing hours, with MDes teaching provision working with UG during that time.

Technical provision within the department is provided by staff members Nigel Munro and Shona Guthrie. Technical provisional may need to increase to accommodate student numbers. This will not impact on the first year of the programme but can be supplement through a fraction increase in our part time term only contracted technician, Shona Guthrie going forward.

There is no obvious impact on either welfare or student support due to the initial small size of student group.

GSA Learning Resources currently supports learning and teaching on the BA (Hons) Silversmithing and Jewellery (S&J) through access to information, resources and services, both in person (one-to-one appointments, the Twilight series of evening classes) and online (InfosmART, The Hatchery, the Archive and Library Special Collections websites, ICT and VLE support). Given our ongoing provision for the existing BA programme and the proposed programme's emphasis on studio-based practice and assessment, we do not foresee this placing any particular additional demands on Learning Resources.

The Library anticipates that print materials will be the most effective delivery method for the majority of course readings and there is a need to continue pursuing print acquisitions to support students' research of source material and new design processes. This will include expanding the number of specialist S&J book titles and exhibition catalogues currently held across a greater number of publishers including galleries, museums and small presses. More generally, the programme could also benefit from a broader range of print materials in nascent, interdisciplinary design areas and the Library's holdings in areas such as digital fabrication and manipulation, and digital-human interaction will continue to be developed in line with these trends. The refreshment of the Library's stock to support the programme could be achieved through continued liaison between the Academic Liaison team in identifying core reading materials and the proposed programme leader. This will assist the strategic development of S&J resources in line with projected departmental need.

18. If a collaboration with another institution is proposed, please provide the following:				
Partner Institution: Click here to enter text.				
Nature of Collaboration (please	tick)			
Joint programme – single award	ing institution – University of Glasgow			
Joint programme – single award	Joint programme – single awarding institution – other than UoG			
Joint Programme – GSA delivery to UoG programme				
Joint Programme – UoG delivery	Joint Programme – UoG delivery to GSA programme			
Delivery of GSA programmes ov	Delivery of GSA programmes overseas			
Articulation to a GSA programme				
If a Joint Programme, please state the administering institution:				
Click here to enter text.				

19.	Please confirm the following:	
a.	A market analysis has been undertaken in consultation with the Head of Student Recruitment and has been discussed with the Director of Strategy and Marketing and is set out in this Programme Proposal. A marketing strategy has also been agreed as part of this discussion.	х
b.	The proposal and any resource implications have been discussed with the Head of Technical Support. The Head of technical Services (John Ayres) is aware of the programme development and we have arranged a meeting to discuss details. As the MDes programme is 2 years / 2 semsters per year and runs at the same time as the UG programme, we do not anticipate this will have an impact on technical services.	x
c.	The proposal has been discussed with the Head of Learning Resources and <i>the</i> attached 'Implications for Library/Learning Resources Provision' form has been completed.	х
d.	The proposal has been discussed with the Estates Manager and the attached 'Implications for Estates Provision' form has been completed.	Х
e.	The proposal has been discussed with the Director of IT and the attached 'Implications for IT Provision' form has been completed.	Х
f.	Please confirm that the proposal has been discussed in detail with the Head of Learning and Teaching.	Х
g.	If the proposal relates to postgraduate provision, please confirm that the proposal has been discussed in detail with the Head of Research and Enterprise.	
h.	If the proposal relates to postgraduate provision, please confirm that the proposal has been discussed in detail with the Senior Academic Fellow for Digital Learning.	
i.	If the proposal relates to joint provision with the University of Glasgow, please confirm that the proposal has been discussed in detail with staff at an appropriate level in the relevant College.	

IMPLICATIONS FOR LIBRARY/LEARNING RESOURCES PROVISION (to be completed by GSA Library)

DATE of this document	03 April 2018
PROPOSED PROGRAMME	MDes Silversmithing and Jewellery

Position Statement: This section should provide a review of current position of Library/Learning Resources in meeting the requirement of the proposed programme, outline of areas for development/expansion and provide further relevant comments e.g. availability or cost of materials or preferred mode of delivery.

S&J have confirmed by email that the indicative bibliography for this MDes Programme is the same as for the current UG course. Those titles are all available in the Library.

It has been pointed out to S&J that the lack of submitted reading lists for 17/18 means that no additional copies of these titles have been purchased for the UG cohort but that this will be done if reading lists, including student numbers are provided.

Given that the MDes will commence with a cohoirt of 6 students we expect the current collections to be adequate.

Canvas and Archives and Collections are available to the MDes students as learning resources alongside the Library Collections.

Current Collection Strengths

A strong library collection for S&J in terms of both journals and monographs.

https://lib.gsa.ac.uk/subject-guides/subject-guides-silversmithing-and-jewellery/

A small collection of objects in GSA Collections

http://www.gsaarchives.net/wp-content/uploads/2014/08/ArchiveSources SilversmithJewellery.pdf

Current Collection Weaknesses	
n/a	
Indicative Costs for Addressing Collection Weaknesses	
None	

IMPLICATIONS FOR ESTATES PROVISION (to be completed in liaison with Estates Management)

DATE of this document	22 March 2018
PROPOSED PROGRAMME	MDes Silversmithing and jewellery

a. What spatial area will be required for the new programme? (Please see item 11)

The programme will run in the existing department. Workspaces currently used by our Artist in Residence programme will be allocated for MDes students and Artist in Residence numbers reduced. The student cohort will be approximately 8 in the first year with year groups growing to approximately 12 per year. Each student will be given their own bench within the department and will share workshop facilities already available to UG students.

All implications for Estates provision were considered and completed with Mike Quigley, GSA Head of Estates in 2015 and again in 2018. The S&J department has submitted potential changes to areas of the workshop area this has been sent to the relevant departments.

b. Where will the new programme be physically located?

The proposed Programme will be located within the Reid Building on the 4th floor and Mezzanine Silversmithing and Jewellery space. Students will work at benches already located within the department and/or technical office space. All workshop equipment is already located within department.

c. How will the location of the new programme impact on or be impacted on by current colocated programmes?

There will be no impact on surrounding departments and programmes

d. What are the potential physical challenges with the space for the new programme? (Please see Estates for a room data check sheet to assist)

A potential lack of space for non-bench work exists although can be remedied by a clearer and explicit approach to hot-desking at design and computer areas across UG and Masters studio and workshop.

e. What are the financial implications of refitting the current space to make it fit for purpose for the new programme? (Please see item 12.a)

There will be a financial cost in removing and refitting the current project space used by the S&J technical team. This cost will however be smaller than providing a new workshop elsewhere on the

estate. We are also keen to introduce more possibilities of working with new technology. The Design school has ambition to create a digital making space and this would be of interest to our students but not a prerequisite. We would also be looking to work with external partners in order to explore the latest possibilities in digital making.

IMPLICATIONS FOR IT PROVISION (to be completed in liaison with Director of IT)

DATE of this document	22 March 2018
PROPOSED PROGRAMME	MDes Silversmithng and Jewellery

a. What is the impact on IT to support this Programme Proposal?

The department will continue to work within the current UG programme computer provision and as we continue to upgrade software and hardware annualy this would also service the Masters students with up to date Rhino licences (software). There is no impact on IT to support this additional number of students.

b. What additional / replacement IT hardware is required?

None, existing provision will suffice.

c. Is there additional / replacement software licenses required?

Additional 5 Rhino licences that would be shared with the UG provision.

d. Are there any operating systems required in addition to those currently supported? No

e. What are the financial implications from an IT perspective to deliver this programme?

The cost of 5 additional Rhino licences – to be ascertained.