

# **Progression agreement between Laser Learning Awards Access to HE Diploma courses and Goldsmiths, University of London undergraduate programmes**

## **Introduction**

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 27.9% of our undergraduate students aged over 21 upon entry.

Laser is proud of its history of supporting education and training providers for over 30 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 are therefore delighted to present this agreement with Laser who validate Access to HE Diplomas throughout Greater London.

## **Admissions agreement details**

This Admissions agreement confers admissions benefits upon all learners studying Access to HE Diplomas accredited by Laser. Depending upon the programme, these benefits include receiving a guaranteed interview, a guaranteed offer and/or an offer set below our typical offer level for relevant programmes. You can find the typical offer on the relevant [programme page](#). Please continue reading for details of the agreement broken down by programme.

The typical Goldsmiths Access to HE Diploma offer is Pass with 45 Level 3 credits including 30 Distinctions with the remaining awarded at Merit/Pass. One grade lower could be expressed as Pass with 45 Level 3 credits including 21 Distinctions, 12 Merits and the remaining awarded at Merit/Pass in subject-specific modules.

## **Goldsmiths' Undergraduate programmes and their respective admission benefits**

Goldsmiths' programmes have been divided into four categories for the purposes of this agreement:

1. Programmes offering guaranteed interviews and an offer at one grade lower than standard, if an offer is made after the interview stage
2. Programmes offering guaranteed interviews
3. Programmes offering guaranteed offers, at one grade lower than standard, as part of this agreement
4. Programmes that will consider giving offers at one grade lower than standard, dependant on the quality of application and if successful at the interview stage

### **1) Programmes offering guaranteed interviews with the possibility of an offer made at one grade lower than standard:**

- BA Design (Portfolio will also be required at interview.)
- BA Education
- BA English and Creative Writing (Submission of recent written work of an appropriate standard also required as part of a student's application.)
- BA Fine Art (Portfolio will also be required at interview.)
- BA Fine Art and History of Art (Portfolio will also be required at interview.)

### **2) Programmes offering guaranteed interviews:**

- BA Applied Psychosocial and Psychotherapy Studies
- BA Social Science, Community Development and Youth Work (Work experience required as part of the entry requirements.)

### **3) Programmes offering guaranteed offers, at one grade lower than standard, as part of this agreement**

- BA Anthropology
- BA Anthropology and Sociology
- BA Anthropology, Media and Digital Practice
- BA Arts Management
- BSc Business Computing and Entrepreneurship (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BSc Computer Science (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BSc Creative Computing (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BA Curating
- BSc Digital Arts Computing (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BA Drama: Musical Theatre
- BA Drama: Applied Theatre and Community Performance
- BA Drama and Theatre Arts
- BA Drama and Theatre Arts with Acting
- BSc Business Management
- BA/BSc Economics
- BSc Economics with Data Science
- BA Economics with Law
- BSc Economics with Marketing
- BA Environment and Social Change
- BSc Management with Economics
- BSc Management with Marketing
- BSc Marketing
- BA English
- BA History
- BA History and Politics
- LLB Law
- LLB Law with Criminal Justice and Human Rights
- LLB Law with Politics and Human Rights
- BA Journalism (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BA Media and Communications
- BA Promotional Media
- BA International Relations
- BA Politics
- BA Politics and International Relations
- BA Politics, Philosophy and Economics
- BSc Psychology (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BSc Psychology with Clinical Psychology (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BSc Psychology with Cognitive Neuroscience (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)

- BSc Psychology with Forensic Psychology (GCSE Maths or equivalent required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BA Social and Community Work (Work experience required as part of the entry requirements.)
  - BA Sociology
  - BA Sociology with Criminology

#### **4) Guaranteed consideration with the possibility of an offer at one grade lower than standard:**

- BMus Music (Portfolio will also be required at interview. Grade 8 in your main instrument from the Associate Board of the Royal Schools of Music required as part of the entry requirements.)
- BMus Popular Music (Portfolio will also be required at interview. You should be able to demonstrate skills and experience in both practical musicianship and music creation.)

## **Terms and Conditions**

The above offerings are subject to an application being submitted via UCAS, a personal statement relevant to the subject applied for and relevant units being undertaken within the Diploma. Goldsmiths reserves the right to ask for a new personal statement where necessary.

If you have already completed your Diploma, we would still be happy to consider your application. Please contact the Admissions team ([admissions@gold.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@gold.ac.uk)) for further information.

## **Further Support for students and colleges**

The Goldsmiths Widening Participation team will be available to LASER partner Colleges to provide information, advice, and guidance on the programmes offered at Goldsmiths, and this Progression Agreement. Our experienced and engaging team deliver talks and workshops on a range of subjects relating to higher education. These can be delivered within your college, 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 process
- Personal statement talks and surgeries
- Studying at Goldsmiths
- Student life
- Studying in London

Workshops usually last between 45 minutes and an hour, but we are happy to combine, condense or extend sessions depending on what works for you. We are also happy to receive requests for bespoke activity – as a partner institution, we will work with you to agree and select the best available combination of activities to meet your learners' requirements. For more information on how we support mature learners, students should visit: [www.gold.ac.uk/ug/mature-students/](http://www.gold.ac.uk/ug/mature-students/)