

You are studying MA Photography, an 180-credit programme based in the School of Arts and Humanities, during the academic year 2023/24. This is an indicative overview of your studies at the RCA. Your detailed programme specifications will be available on [our website](#) in August and on our Virtual Learning Environment once you have enrolled. Fee band: B.

Term 1

4 September – 15 December

Situating Photography
(45 credits)

Term 2

8 January – 19 April

Making Public
(30 credits)

Urgency of the Arts
School-wide Unit
(15 credits)

Term 3

7 May – 16 August

Independent Research
Project
(60 credits)

Any exhibitions and events are an assessable aspect of your programme and will take place in the second half of Term 3.

AcrossRCA
(College-Wide Unit)
(30 credits)

The 60 credit Independent Research Project (IRP) is an opportunity to build a body of work that addresses the key ambitions of your research and practice. You will work towards presenting a work or works in the IRP Public Exhibition, which enables you to explore how you can activate your work in a public context, experiment with the most appropriate forms of realising your ideas and gain critical feedback. The IRP exhibition takes place mid-way through the unit and will be followed by a period of reflection and further development, which emphasises planning for continued practice and research post-graduation.

You will come together to make an exhibition exploring the practical and conceptual implications of staging, making public, and working in conjunction with others. The making of the exhibition is a reflexive site for innovation and development. Assessment takes place in the exhibition when you will present your work to a staff panel.

BALANCE OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

Your 45-week programme is a 180-credit masters degree, and in-line with the Qualifications and Credit Framework, will take approximately 1800 hours to complete. This is an average of 40 hours per week.

There will be a number of opportunities to collaborate with others but at a minimum your programme will include 240 contact hours and 1560 independent study hours. Contact hours can include lectures, seminars, tutorials, critical forums and workshops among other types of teaching delivery.

Teaching types included on your programme can include briefings, projects, tutorials, seminars, lectures, critical forums, technical inductions, technical workshops, offsite visits and blended learning. You can find detailed descriptions of teaching types on our [Offer Holder Hub](#).



Lectures



Teaching



Tutorials



Technical Support



Scheduled Reading Sessions



Independent Study



Exhibitions and Events

YOU HAVE ACCESS TO RCA FACILITIES AT OUR CAMPUSES IN BATTERSEA, WHITE CITY AND KENSINGTON



Technical Services

You will have a shared studio workspace and have access to technical workshops across our campuses. Find out more on [our website](#).

Supervised Technical Workshops are open 9.30am to 5.30pm weekdays. A range of Technical resources are available outside these times in line with the campus opening hours.

OPENING HOURS & CAMPUS CLOSURE DATES

The College's opening hours and dedicated closure days, including UK bank holidays, are available on [our website](#).

During term time our campuses are closed on Sundays and open at the following times:

Battersea, Kensington and Garden House (White City)

Monday to Friday : 9am – 10pm

Saturday: 10am – 8pm

Media Works (White City)

Monday to Friday : 9am – 8pm

In non-term time our campuses are closed on weekends, as well as dedicated closure dates including UK bank holidays, and open at the following times:

Battersea, Kensington and Garden House (White City)

Weekdays only: 9am – 5.30pm

Media Works (White City)

Weekdays only: 9am – 8pm

CONVOCATION

Your ceremony will be in September 2024 at one of three Royal patronage venues: Royal Geographical Society, Royal Festival Hall or Royal Albert Hall.



Offer Holder Hub

You can find out more about joining the RCA including information about welcome events on campus and getting your timetable on our Offer Holder Hub by clicking [here](#).