

Performing Arts

Welcome to Chichester College

Dear Student,

Thank you for choosing to study UAL Diploma in Production Arts Level 3 at Chichester College. We are looking forward to working with you over the next 2 years.

Further to your starting information, which outlines your start date & time, below is a brief overview regarding coming to college and preparing to study your course. Course details

Course Code: CPER014F1A

Duration: Sept '23 to June '24

Attendance: 4/5 days a week

Campus: Chichester

Contact your Study Programme Leader

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Following induction week, your formal lessons will start the w/c 11th September week when you will be given your timetable for the first half term. **Course Timetables will not be available until this point**.

The Production Arts course is unlike any other college course and responds to the changing production & rehearsal schedules in the College theatre and as such there **won't be a standard regular timetable**. Please make sure you are fully aware of the impact this can have and that you have explained this clearly to your parents/guardians and employers (if you have paid work) However in the first term you are likely to have a more regular timetable which will be 3 days a week (if you have to re-take English or Maths you will be required to come in on a 4th day)

The timetable changes in late November when we have our first assessments, some offsite shows and you will also be assigned to your WORK EXPERIENCE. This new, irregular timetable can sometimes be tricky to adjust to for new students as it's so different from school and more closely resembles a producing theatre so please have a chat with your family about this so everyone is aware of what to expect. Having a diary or a good calendar on your phone will be essential.

What to bring on day your first day:

- 1. Stationery & a sturdy notebook (or laptop) for taking notes. You will work on your lap when in the theatre.
- 2. If applicable, bring relevant payment for your course/evidence of benefits
- 3. A copy of your passport or driving licence or bank card to prove your identity at enrolment
- 4. Confirmation of your GCSE results we cannot enrol you without a copy of results so this is essential. You are required to bring your paper copies on your first day.
- 5. A completed **trip consent form** Click the link here for an *Under 18 Consent Form* or a *Medical Disclosure Form*

A NOTE ABOUT English and Maths

All students aged 16-18 years on a full time course are required to update their English and Maths skills if they do not hold a GCSE grade A/9-C/4 in both subjects. So please be aware that if you do not have these qualifications, you will be required to undertake a GCSE resit (or equivalent qualification) alongside your main programme of study. This is compulsory and not optional. Please be aware that you cannot be awarded for one qualification without passing the other.

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Where will I be studying?

Your course will take place in D Block, Chichester campus



Summer Assignment

Summer Project

Go to see shows!

Be inspired this summer and go and watch theatre and attend live arts events as often as you can. To be successful on the course you need to be able to immerse yourself in the live arts. You won't be able to understand it if you don't know and enjoy it.

You project is to pick one of the shows that you see and write a technical review about it. Writing a review is not just about saying what you liked, or don't like, but it's about sharing your knowledge about the show, the theatre and the production elements. It requires some research in the first instance and then some planning before you write the review. Here is a link to some tips on how to write a technical review.

How to write a technical review link here



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I can't wait to welcome you to Chichester College. Your course has an excellent reptation locally with many theatres and venues often asking us for recommendations for crew and dressers. We can't wait to add you to that list.

If you bring the passion, discipline, commitment, and kindness, we will help you develop the rest!

I will continue to communicate with you via the **email address** that you applied to the course with. Please make sure you check it regularly and respond efficiently to all requests.

Best wishes,

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Victoria Rousell Course Leader Production Arts

