## Study Skills Course Milestones for Students

Course Title: Graphic Communication Level: Higher

	Work to be covered/Topics/Activities/Assignments							
Month	Unit 1 2D Graphic Communication		Unit 2 3D and Pictorial Graphic Communication					
	Course Assessment	Topics	Course Assessment	Topics				
Early June	Unit Assessment Task 1 - Straw and cup dispenser  O/C 1 Produce and interpret 2D orthographic sketches¹ and drawings  1.1 Applying appropriate drawing standards, protocols and conventions to produce orthographic sketches  1.2 Using graphic communication equipment accurately and effectively and applying appropriate drawing standards, protocols and conventions to produce projected 2D line drawings  O/C 2 Produce 2D computer-aided designed/draughted production drawings  2.1 Applying computer-aided design/draughting skills, knowledge and understanding, accurately and effectively, and using appropriate drawing standards, protocols and conventions, to create related orthographic views	Freehand Sketching	Course Assessment	Topics				
Late August		of the interpenetration  Computer Aided Design use CAD skills to:  create related 2D views  create and an assembly comprising a minimum of three component parts  use either 2D CAD, or a 3D model.						

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Early September	Course Assessment  Unit Assessment Task 2 – Children's toothpaste  O/C 1 Produce and interpret 2D orthographic sketches² and drawings  1.3 Describing and justifying the use of the main types of 2D graphic communication employed in the design, manufacturing and marketing of a product  O/C 2 Produce 2D computer-aided designed/draughted production drawings  2.2 Applying computer-aided design/draughting skills, knowledge and understanding accurately and effectively and using appropriate drawing standards to create three examples of technical detail 2.3 Applying computer-aided design/draughting skills accurately and effectively and using appropriate drawing standards to add textual and numerical information to orthographic computer- aided designed/draughted work  O/C 3 Produce preliminary 2D designs and illustrations for a multi-page promotional document  3.2 Conducting preliminary research prior to the design of a promotional publication and preparing an outline specification  O/C 4 Create a multi-page 2D promotional publication and a project set of promotional publications  4.3 Describing and justifying the use of promotional graphics in industry and commerce	Graphic types				
Mid October	and their impact on the environment and society	<ul> <li>questionnaires.</li> <li>Impact on the Environment and Society</li> <li>the sharing of ideas, values and beliefs</li> <li>paper and printing technologies</li> <li>electronic communication and digital display</li> <li>visual impact on the built environment.</li> </ul>		Packaging     Rendered graphics  Effectiveness of format Effectiveness of design elements and principles Impact on the environment and society		

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Late October	Unit Assessment Task 3 – Mechanical Toy  O/C 2 Produce 2D computer-aided designed/draughted production drawings  2.1 Applying computer-aided design/draughting skills, knowledge and understanding accurately and effectively, and using appropriate drawing standards, protocols and conventions, to create related orthographic views  2.2 Applying computer-aided design/draughting skills, knowledge and understanding accurately and effectively and using appropriate drawing standards to create three examples of technical detail  O/C 3 Produce preliminary 2D designs and illustrations for a multi-page promotional document  3.1 Illustrating preliminary orthographic sketches of everyday objects	Topics  CAD skills	Unit Assessment Task 3 – Mechanical Toy  O/C 1 Produce and interpret pictorial sketches and drawings  1.1 produce pictorial line sketches with complex features that demonstrate good proportion, line quality, and representation of the item 1.2 produce pictorial line drawings with complex features that demonstrate accuracy in proportion, line quality, type and representation of the item 1.3 Describing and justifying the decisions made regarding the main types of 3D and pictorial graphic communication employed in the design, manufacturing and marketing of a product  O/C 3 Produce pictorial and 3D illustrations of everyday objects  3.1 Illustrating preliminary pictorial sketches or drawings to interpret the light source, surface texture and materials 3.2 Creating a rendered 3D computer-aided designed model of a complex everyday object to interpret the light source, with tonal change, surface texture and materials 3.3 Using computer-aided design software appropriately to create an environment or scene with relevant visual impact, applying surface texture and materials, to situate and effectively enhance a pictorial illustration	Pictorial Line Sketches/ Drawings  perspective isometric oblique planometric complex features a clear representation of the item  Complex features curves or circles on various planes sections and step sections assemblies or exploded views degrees of movement of parts  Described and Justified use of pictorial graphic communications design manufacturing marketing of a product  Illustrated Preliminary Work realistic reflection shadow texture material  Environment or Scene 3D model or pictorial drawing/sketch Realistically rendered 3D modelling techniques photographic image-based lighting techniques (IBL) stock 3D models placed and orientated backgrounds materials		
	related orthographic views  2.2 Applying computer-aided design/draughting skills, knowledge and understanding accurately and effectively and using appropriate drawing standards to create three examples of technical detail  O/C 3 Produce preliminary 2D designs and illustrations for a multi-page promotional document  3.1 Illustrating preliminary orthographic sketches	<ul> <li>dimensioning</li> <li>stepped and revolved sections</li> <li>exploded views</li> <li>enlargements</li> <li>tangencies</li> <li>scaling</li> <li>cut-aways</li> <li>auxiliary projection</li> <li>helices</li> <li>degrees of freedom/range of motion of parts</li> </ul> Illustrated Preliminary Work <ul> <li>texture</li> <li>material</li> <li>different components</li> <li>assembly details</li> </ul>	features that demonstrate accuracy in proportion, line quality, type and representation of the item  1.3 Describing and justifying the decisions made regarding the main types of 3D and pictorial graphic communication employed in the design, manufacturing and marketing of a product  O/C 3 Produce pictorial and 3D illustrations of everyday objects  3.1 Illustrating preliminary pictorial sketches or drawings to interpret the light source, surface texture and materials  3.2 Creating a rendered 3D computer-aided designed model of a complex everyday object to interpret the light source, with tonal change, surface texture and materials  3.3 Using computer-aided design software appropriately to create an environment or scene with relevant visual impact, applying surface texture and materials, to situate and effectively	curves or circles on various per sections and step sections     assemblies or exploded view degrees of movement of pare Described and Justified     use of pictorial graphic commodesign     manufacturing     marketing of a product  Illustrated Preliminary Work     realistic reflection     shadow     texture     material  Environment or Scene     3D model or pictorial drawing     Realistically rendered     3D modelling techniques     photographic image-based ligible     (IBL)     stock 3D models placed and     backgrounds		

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Late	Course Assessment  Unit Assessment Task 4 – Festival Ticket  O/C 3 Produce preliminary 2D designs and illustrations for a multi-page promotional document  3.3 Applying knowledge and understanding of design elements and principles to produce preliminary layout designs for a multi-page promotional document  O/C 4 Create a multi-page 2D promotional publication and a project set of promotional publications  4.1 Using software accurately and effectively to construct a master page/template for a multi-page promotional publication  4.2 Producing a multi-page promotional publication with complex features, which communicates effectively with its target audience and has relevant visual impact  4.3 Describing and justifying the use of promotional graphics in industry and commerce and their impact on the environment and society	Preliminary Layout Designs	Course Assessment	Topics		
December		electronic communication and digital display,     visual impact				

December	Revision for Prelim Exam
February	Prelim Exam

	Component 1 COURSE ASSESSMENT	Candidates	Activity	Marks	Marks allocated for
		ability to:			
January/ February/ March/	Course Assignment TASK (50% of overall grade)	research and analysis	Analysing a graphic brief and carrying out research activities.	4	The brief is analysed in detail and provides specific information on the requirements for graphics that meet a market purpose, content and style.  Research is relevant and confirms the graphic requirements comprehensively
April	To demonstrate the ability to produce a range of graphics in response to a brief, 70 marks will be awarded for the candidate's ability to produce relevant:  • research and analysis • preliminary graphics • production drawing and CAD models	preliminary graphics	Using line, shape, form and proportion to represent an item or items. Applying drawing standards. Including relevant and sufficient technical detail, to inform development of production drawings and CAD models. Communicating design features through use of light, shade, tone and/or texture. Planning effective multi-page promotional documents or publications.	15	<ul> <li>Response is of very good quality and proportion and demonstrates a clear purpose.</li> <li>Adherence to protocols and convention is demonstrated in all of the work. Response contains most relevant technical details. Detail is sufficient to inform the development of production drawings, CAD models and complex features.</li> <li>The response demonstrates a very good understanding of techniques used to communicate design features and very good skill in applying those techniques.</li> <li>Planning activities are thorough and demonstrate an effective range of layout variations. Justification of design elements, principles and DTP features relates specifically to the brief and demonstrates a good under-standing of the impact of layout.</li> </ul>
	promotional documents or a publication	production drawing and CAD models	<ul> <li>Using CAD modelling techniques.</li> <li>CAD modelling.</li> <li>CAD modelling edits and complex features.</li> <li>Assembling components.</li> <li>Producing production drawings.</li> <li>Providing core information to support manufacture.</li> <li>Adhering to protocols, standards and conventions.</li> <li>Providing relevant technical detail to communicate additional information about the product.</li> <li>Assembling an environment.</li> </ul>	30	<ul> <li>A minimum of three different CAD modelling techniques have been used.</li> <li>Most components demonstrate very good skill in draughting and modelling.</li> <li>Models demonstrate a broad range of complex features.</li> <li>The assembly of components is correct in all instances.</li> <li>The candidate has produced an assembled orthographic, a component orthographic or a pictorial view.</li> <li>Core information is included and would satisfy most of the requirements for manufacture.</li> <li>2D and/or 3D and/or pictorial work adheres to protocol, standards and convention across all the work.</li> <li>2D and/or 3D and/or pictorial work contains three or more examples of relevant additional information to support manufacture, assembly or use.</li> <li>The detail is accurate with annotation and scale to the views.</li> <li>The environment is assembled with the main model and different supplementary models, appropriately scaled and placed in context.</li> </ul>
		promotional documents or a publication	<ul> <li>Using illustration techniques effectively in 3D environments.</li> <li>Producing promotional document or publication to meet the requirements of a brief.</li> </ul>	21	<ul> <li>Illustration techniques used are fully relevant to the environment and demonstrate very good skills in application.</li> <li>The promotional document or publication responds to all the requirements of the brief.</li> <li>The promotional documents or publication incorporates DTP features that have been applied with a high level of skill and significant visual impact.</li> </ul>

			•	Using layout techniques including design elements and principles, and DTP features.  Applying illustrations to a 3D model to enhance the environment and support the requirements of the brief.		•	The promotional documents <b>or</b> publication makes very good use of design principles and elements, and has provided relevant visual impact throughout.  Illustrations are used creatively throughout to enhance the environment and fully support the requirements of the brief.
May	Component 2 QUI	STION	I PA	APER (50% of overall grade, 70	marks, 2 h	our	duration)
	The purpose of the question paper is to assess the learner's The question paper Component of Course assessment will re	•				_	

Resource Type	Resources	Topic/Activity/Assignment
BOOKS	Leckie and Leckie Higher Graphic Communication course notes – available in 5G7 or to can buy their own copy.	Written for previous version of the Higher course but much of the theory is still applicable.
	Leckie and Leckie National 5 Graphic Communication course notes – available in 5G7 or to can buy their own copy.	Most of the content is relevant at higher level.
	BS pp8888 – Engineering Drawing Practice – available in 5G7	Essential reading for a student hoping for an A or B pass
DIGITAL RESOURCES	Edmodo Group/Shared Docs	Various notes for all areas of the course. Higher Product Design Past Papers. Higher Design and Manufacture Past Papers. Course Unit Support Notes. Course Assessment Specifications. Unit Assignment Tasks. List of helpful websites.
	"Get a Grip Graphics" website and YouTube channel	Excellent resource with hints, tips, images and "you tube" clips of sketching and rendering techniques