

Welcome to **iasd** 2021



BA (Hons) Interior Architecture and Spatial Design

Welcome to the University of Northampton

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to your studies at the University of Northampton. The purpose of this document is to help you prepare for coming to study with us and give you an opportunity to meet members of your programme team as well as other students who've chosen the same course. We want to make sure that you are inspired, anchored, prepared, and enabled to succeed.

Through engaging with our welcome and induction activities you will get to know your super-supportive tutors, have a chance to make new friends and be able to access what you need to know and do to start studying successfully. Ultimately, we want you to feel confident about how you will learn.

This Welcome Pack covers the following key areas:

- A welcome message from your Programme Leader
- Details of online Welcome and Induction sessions scheduled during the second half of August and the first three weeks in September
- Technical information to make joining these sessions as easy as possible
- What happens during Welcome and Induction Week – meeting with your Personal Tutor and other University-wide events

Welcome – Your Programme Leader

The BA (Hons) Interior Architecture and Spatial Design (**iasd**) course sits within the Department of Art and Design and is taught primarily in the Creative Hub building.

The **iasd** course gives you the opportunity to be part of a challenging and rewarding experience, both in terms of your personal development and for your vocational aspirations. With its combination of visual communication, spatial design awareness and professional practice skills, together with your development as a questioning individual, your enthusiasm and endeavours will make our vision a success.

Our curriculum engages with real local, regional and global issues through which we seek innovative spatial, sustainable and technical solutions. **iasd** provides students with an appreciation for and an understanding of place making. We work with light, material and surface qualities to propose places that have distinctive atmospheres.

The structure of our **iasd** course enables students to develop challenging design solutions that benefit society as well as contributing to their broader understanding of interior architectural design as a professional pathway.

The Interior Architecture and Spatial Design team is made up of lecturing and technical support staff that work in the Creative Hub. We also, from time to time, draw on the expertise of staff working in other design subject disciplines within the Department of Art and Design. The key members of staff within the Department responsible for **iasd** are:

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A Welcome and Induction Online Sessions for **iasd will take place on 22nd September 2021.**

We would like to invite you to join members of your subject and programme team, and other students joining you at the University of Northampton this year for an online welcome and induction experience in the weeks leading up to the start of term. The details of your programme specific experience are as follows:

Getting to Know You Session 1	Date:	Wednesday 22 nd September 2021
	Time:	10.00 am
	Link:	https://eu.bbcollab.com/guest/c35082dea85844bba6386ebcfa2c974f

Introduction to Learning and Teaching on your Programme Session 2	Date:	Wednesday 22 nd September 2021
	Time:	10.20am
	Link:	https://eu.bbcollab.com/guest/c35082dea85844bba6386ebcfa2c974f
Supporting Your Success Session 3	Date:	Wednesday 22 nd September 2021
	Time:	11.30am
	Link:	https://eu.bbcollab.com/guest/c35082dea85844bba6386ebcfa2c974f

Preparing you for Learning and Teaching at Northampton

Learning and teaching at the University of Northampton is designed to help you take control of your own learning, using small group teaching, team-working and one-to-one tutorials that allow learning to take place in face-to-face environments and using carefully crafted digital experiences. To help you prepare for this personalised approach to learning, our welcome and induction activities are designed to introduce you to our learning technologies so that you are ready to go for the start of term. Through engaging in some preparatory work before our live sessions, you can think about some of the questions you might have and have opportunities to explore the many ways in which you are supported. You can also meet the other students on your programme.

Technical Support

As part of our welcome and induction, we would like you to engage with us using our online tool, Blackboard Collaborate. It is broadly similar to using Skype or Zoom, which you may have come across before. You will be able to join your Welcome and Induction sessions as a guest, meaning that you do not need to create an account in order to participate.

Using Collaborate

- 1) [Test whether your browser will work with Collaborate](#)
- 2) Review the [student guide to using Collaborate](#)
- 3) Test Collaborate by visiting our test 'classroom' to address any technological challenges. This classroom will be available 24/7 from now until the end of September. You can [join the classroom now](#) and follow the instructions to test your audio and video functions.

If you are still experiencing difficulties, please call our on-site team for further help: +44 (0)1604 893333.

LinkedIn Learning

Once you become a student at the University of Northampton, you will also have access to a wealth of online technical support through [LinkedIn Learning](#) so you can improve your digital skills any time, any place.

The **iasd** studio base room

The base studio is in The Creative Hub on the First Floor. Room Number CH101. During Welcome Week we will be meeting there as a group at 10.30 am on Monday 27th September 2021.

Equipment and Materials

From week one you will be engaged in design work that will involve drawing and making. You will therefore need to come prepared with some drawing equipment and materials of your own. We therefore recommend that you bring the following:

Essential drawing equipment

- T Square 60mm
- Adjustable Set Square or set of 45/45 and 30/60 Squares
- Scale Ruler with 1:200/100/50/20/10/5 scales
- Mechanical drawing pencil 0.5/0.3
- Recommended: A2 drawing board with parallel motion

Essential drawing materials

- Graphite sketching pencils
- Colour pencils
- Black marker pen
- Layout paper (A3)
- A sketchbook
- Spray mount adhesive
- Eraser
- Simple compass
- Scissors
- Scalpel
- A3 Portfolio display book
- Pritt stick

Essential model making equipment

- Ruler (stainless steel or aluminium) 60mm
- Craft knife
- Glue gun and glue sticks
- A4 cutting mat
- Masking tape, double-sided tape



Essential Reading

- Brooker, Graeme and Stone, Sally. *Rereadings2. Interior architecture and design principles of remodelling existing buildings*. RIBA Enterprises. 2018
- Brooker, Graeme. *Adaptations. Strategies for Interior Architecture and Design*. Bloomsbury Visual Arts. 2016
- Cramer, Johannes. *Architecture in existing fabric: planning, design and building*. Birkhäuser. 2007
- Davies, Colin. *Thinking about Architecture. An Introduction to architectural Theory*. Laurence King. 2011.
- Plunkett, Drew. *Drawing for Interior Design*. Laurence King. 2009
- Schittich, Christian. *Building in existing fabric*. Birkhäuser. 2003



What Happens in Welcome Week?

The first week of the semester is devoted to a range of activities that will help you to meet the rest of the students on your course, the people who will teach you and allow you to familiarise yourself with what you will be studying and the facilities you will use.

A separate timetable of events is provided for this week which will tell you where you need to be and at what time. There will also be plenty of other staff and student ambassadors around to make sure that you find your way to the right things.

Each student is allocated to a [Personal Tutor](#) (PT) and you will have an opportunity to meet with them during the first week. The PT meeting would be a good opportunity for you to discuss any questions you may have about personalised support if you haven't already contacted those teams directly. Please know that you can also get in touch with your Personal Tutor directly should you need to. Your PT will tell you more about how to do this.

At the University of Northampton, our Personal Tutors meet regularly and frequently with their tutees, both in group and in 1-to-1 sessions. They will help you to reflect on how your studies are going and explore actions you can take to maximise your chances of success.

Your Personal Tutor is Susan Jacobs. Susan.Jacobs@northampton.ac.uk

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Welcome Week Timetable 27th September to 1st October 2021

(Subject to change. Please check Programme NILE site after enrolment for the latest version)

Time	Monday 27 th September	Tuesday 28 th September	Wednesday 29 th September	Thursday 30 th September	Friday 1 st October
10.30 – 13.00	<p>Welcome and meet the iasd team</p> <p>Introduction to the course programme</p> <p>Creative Hub CH101 10.30 – 13.00</p>	<p>Union Day</p> <p>No iasd course events time tabled.</p>	<p>Study Visit Mackintosh House Derngate. Northampton Museum</p> <p>Creative Hub 10.30 am TBC Meet in CH101</p>	<p>Body Maps Drawing Workshop (am/ pm)</p> <p>Meet your Personal Tutors</p>	<p>London All day Study Visit Serpentine Pavilion and more.</p> <p>Leaving Waterside 9.00 am TBC</p>
14.00 – 17.00				<p>Meet your Personal Tutors</p> <p>Creative Hub CH101 10.30 – 16.00</p>	<p>London All day Study Visit Serpentine Pavilion and more.</p>