Person Specification - Foundation Technician

| ATTRIBUTES & EXPERIENCE | ESSENTIAL | DESIRABLE | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|
| 1. Relevant Experience | Experience in working with materials and processes including at least 4 of the following : basic woodworking, clay work and casting, small-scale metalwork (soldering and brazing etc.), stretcher-making and canvas preparation, vacuum-forming plastics, working with fabrics | Experience in working in, organizing or running a professional workshop related to a range of material practices – wood, metal, fabrics, plastics, casting etc. Experience in sewing and pattern cutting | |
| | Experience in sourcing, ordering and storage of materials, tools and equipment | Experience in the use and maintenance of digital cameras (including video) and photographic equipment/lighting | |
| | Experience in the use and maintenance of tools Experience of organising activities and planning to hit deadlines | Experience with digital media software, especially image manipulation and file management for on-line digital portfolios and printing | |
| | Experience of professional art or craft practice | Experience of lifting and manual handling | |
| 2. Education and Training | Art and/or craft (sculpture or product etc.) education to undergraduate degree level or evidenced equivalent workshop history - preferably with Craft Apprenticeship Health and Safety training | Working at Height (ladder) training Enhanced DBS check Fire Marshal training First Aid training | |
| 3. General & Specialised Knowledge | Knowledge of sculptural and 3D design (product) materials-based practices Knowledge and skills in the use of software, particularly Adobe creative suite Awareness of the importance of Health and Safety as it applies to the Art and Design teaching environment | | |
| 4. Skills, abilities and attributes | Ability to organise and deliver workshop inductions and basic training in the safe use of tools and materials and safe studio practice and management | Adaptability and willingness to use initiative and suggest improvements in methods of working | |
| | Ability to work flexibly to engage, direct and support students with a range of abilities, backgrounds and interests in practical creative work leading towards a range of disciplines and progression opportunities | | |

| Ability to undertake basic research and problem solving with a range of technical and materials processes | |
|--|--|
| Ability to plan ahead in anticipation of different stages of the course for materials procurement in relation to the requirements of the timetable | |
| Communication skills and an ability to effectively liaise with academic and other technical support staff | |
| Ability to work under direction, as a member of a team and independently | |