School of Stitched Textiles

# CERTIES COURSES

#### FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



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ACCREDITED PROGRAMME

## Overview

Accredited courses that unlock creative & professional potential.

The textile courses we offer are uniquely accredited by leading vocational body, City and Guilds. This makes them a great choice for businesses and organisations looking to offer:

- Professional incentives or bonuses
- Continue Professional Development (CPD)
- Redundancy funding for retraining
- Provision of Bursary Awards

Take a look at how our courses work, their potential to positively shape lives and how we can work together.



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## About Us

As the largest distance learning provider of Textile courses in the UK, we know how to facilitate success. For more than 23 years we have delivered City and Guilds accredited courses to over 1000 students, globally.

Today we're one of the few centres in the world offering City and Guilds accredited Courses and continue to inspire, teach and unlock creative potential. "The centre continues to offer an exciting range of programmes, with examples of participants' work showing a tremendous amount of work to achieve beautiful results in design, careful planning, costings and their tales of success and failure fascinating to share. All quality assurance procedures are thorough and assessors give lengthy appreciative feedback to the participants, with gentle advice as to how their work could be improved. I have no hesitation in recommending renewal of their accreditation."

excerpt from our C&G External Verification report 2022.



"I decided to plan for my early retirement and use the time in between to develop my skills and grow a much broader range of knowledge and experience to help me design my own designs and to be able to teach others to crochet. The level 2 Crochet course is my first step towards this goal. For me, the design process has been the most helpful part of the course.

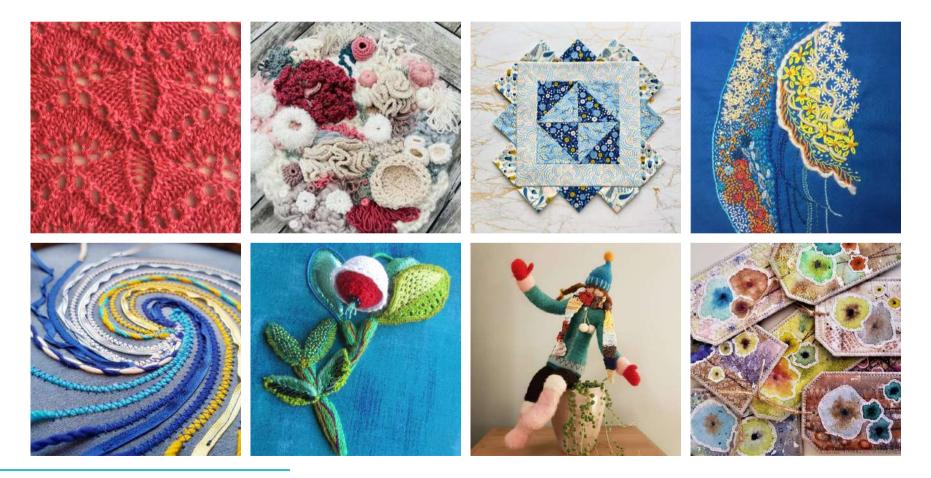
From inspiration to research, to developing design ideas through to the finished piece. It has given me the confidence to continue that design process since I've finished the course."

Amanda Jones - Crochet Skill Stage 2.



### **Our Courses**

Our courses are internationally renowned for their high standards of teaching, learning and assessment. Divided into Progressive Skill Stages (2-4) and delivered through distance learning, they are accessible to everyone. We offer <u>8 different subjects</u>.



### Which Course?

Deciding which level to study can be a daunting prospect for students who don't want to underestimate their existing skills or lack the confidence to really push themselves. To determine which Skill Stage is the right level, please take a look at our <u>in-depth guide</u>. Alternatively, you can visit each of our courses to learn more about who they are aimed at, what you'll learn and what the entry requirements are.

#### **Quick Links**

City & Guilds Accredited Courses Skill Stage 2

Knitting Crochet Stumpwork Hand Embroidery Machine Embroidery Patchwork & Quilting Felting Textiles City & Guilds Accredited Courses Skill Stage 3

Knitting Crochet Hand Embroidery Machine Embroidery Patchwork & Quilting Felting Textiles City & Guilds Accredited Courses Skill Stage 4

Knitting Hand Embroidery Machine Embroidery Patchwork & Quilting Felting

### Learning From a Distance

Students study via TEL (Technology Enhanced Learning), allowing them to study flexibly and remotely with full support from a personal tutor. Course materials will be shared via the internet.

For each of our modules, course materials give precise information which is enhanced with pictorial and video instructions. Students record their progress by taking pictures of their work which they submit in a digital presentation format. Our dedicated team of tutors will then provide written feedback to students within 10 days.

Ensuring our students feel supported is a crucial aspect of their learning journey. We therefore offer support in a number of ways, including live group support sessions on Zoom or within in small, intimate Facebook Group sessions.



"The guidance and support of the tutors provided valuable support and positive encouragement. I found the and the monthly Facebook Live sessions really helpful too." Vicki Drury



"An accredited course provided me with a focus for completing work to a certain standard within a time frame and a great feeling of achievement at the end of the course."

Hilary Jackson - Hand Embroidery Skill Stage 2.

#### Why Study An Accredited Course?

Students often tell us that they want to take their skills to the next level'. Instead of following online tutorials and buying patterns they want to find textile courses online that help them feel challenged, achieve a goal, unlock their creativity and have the confidence to create their own pieces. With our textile art courses, we provide a fully developed learning experience to thoroughly improve skills and get students to the level you want to be at. Whatever their personal crafting ambition is, then we'd always recommend choosing a course that has been accredited by a professional body. <u>Take a look at the</u> benefits here.



## **Career Options**

Not everyone wants a career in textiles. Many of our students tell us that they simply want to achieve a higher skill level, treat their coursework as a wonderful expression of their creativity, or as a way of helping to support their mental health.

For those that do want to pursue a career in textiles, here are some of the careers that our graduates have secured since completing our courses.

- Teaching in further and adult education
- Blogging, vlogging and podcasting
- Designing kits or selling designs to companies
- Authoring books and courses
- Making to sell
- TV appearances on general/craft channels
- Work in theatre, film or TV
- Giving talks and running workshops





### Non Accredited Courses



#### **Beginner Courses**

If you're looking for courses that require less commitment then our online <u>beginner courses</u> are a good place to start. They also make a great introduction to our in-depth accredited courses. All of our courses can be accessed through our online learning portal, The Creative Classroom.

#### **Master Practitioner Courses**

Our Master Practitioner courses are aimed at advanced artists, crafters and makers. Work your way through 3 modules personalised to your style and strengths, to find your own creative voice.

Study an <u>embroidery</u> or <u>Patchwork</u> masters with us!

#### Working with You

We're happy to discuss your requirements for a client or employee.

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