

# Jewellery

Course Type: Part Time Love2Learn

Location: City Centre Campus

Learn essential core skills in jewellery making, to build confidence and know-how. A carefully structured series of projects will introduce you to a range of materials, techniques and processes. Returning students can choose to develop their individual design ideas. Whilst fine metalworking continues to underpin much jewellery practice, exploration of other materials, such as paper, fabric or wood, can also be considered.

## What topics are covered?

The introductory programme focuses primarily on use of metals including precious metals, reflecting their prevalence in traditional and contemporary jewellery.

Copper alloys are a versatile group of metals that can be used to enable you to practice and gain understanding in core jewellery making skills, gaining insight to inherent characteristics before committing to precious metals.

Metal sheet, wire and section is provided for sampling and exploring introduced techniques and processes (sessions 1 – 5) From this experience ideas will be generated from which you can make selections and decisions for individual designs (sessions 5 -10).

Project development and relevant techniques are explained and demonstrated to the group, supported by a written brief and outline schedule.

Focus may vary each term e.g.

Texture: investigating techniques that transform metal surface, such as: embossing, piercing, carving and etching.

Shape: investigating materials and techniques that provide contrast through profiling, layering and repetition, such as:

fret-cutting, riveting, appliqué, soldering

Line: investigating wire working techniques to include various weights of round, flat and square wire; manipulated to create regular and random patterns, such as:

wire drawing, twisting, rope work, bending and forming.

Any of the above processes can be adapted and applied to the design and making of jewellery items such as:

single or multi panelled pendant, stud or drop earrings  
fitted cuff, brooch or panel bracelet  
single or multiple band rings, bangles, decorative chain links

The core teaching is one to one practical guidance at every stage. Within the group there will be a mixture of beginners and returning students.

## **Who is the course aimed at?**

All levels of ability are welcome. Within the group there will be a mixture of beginners and returning students.

## **How will I learn?**

The focus is always on learning through making, at every stage your tutor will provide an introduction, demonstration and on-going practical guidance. The teaching is a combination of presentation to the group and predominantly one to one working alongside individual students at their work bench. It is fully appreciated that each student will establish their own style and pace of learning. Trialling, exploring, sampling and re working ideas is very much part of the process.

## **What can I do after this course?**

Advanced Design Craft – Jewellery and Fine Metal

## **Are there any additional costs?**

A range of copper alloys will be provided throughout initial exploration and development of ideas and structures. However, as you progress to translating ideas into more resolved jewellery items which might also include use of precious metals, then advice will be given as to sources and costs e.g. standard silver sheet: 0.7mm thick 50mm x 50mm £8.

## **Which department is this course in?**

Department of Creative Arts and Enterprise

## **Where will I need to go on my first day?**

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On your first day, please report to the Reception in the **Roper Building** at [City Centre Campus](#).

## What else do I need to know?

When you have been enrolled on your course you will receive a confirmation email containing information about where to go, campus information, parking and the Student Code of Conduct. This email will be sent to the email address provided in the online booking. You will be required to wear a photographic ID badge at all times when in College. Please email a passport style photograph stating your full name and course title in the subject line to [StudentID@bathcollege.ac.uk](mailto:StudentID@bathcollege.ac.uk)

**To avoid disappointment, please make sure you enrol on your chosen course early. Decisions regarding running or cancelling a course are made one week prior to the start of the course. If a course is cancelled, you will be informed and your course fees refunded in full. Please see [Terms and Conditions of Enrolment](#). The course will not run on bank holidays or during half term. Please check the [term dates](#).**

### Cancelling your enrolment

If you have to cancel your enrolment please notify us by email: [info@bathcollege.ac.uk](mailto:info@bathcollege.ac.uk) as soon as possible.

Refunds will not be issued if a learner is unable to attend due to a change of mind including concerns about Covid-19, accommodation, domestic circumstances, work commitments or if the College requires a learner to leave for reasons of conduct.

**Click here to access our Covid-19 FAQ - <https://www.bathcollege.ac.uk/news/84413>**

## Where can I find out more information?

If you need help or answers to specific questions, please contact the [Student Advice Centre](#) on [01225 312191](tel:01225312191) ext 720 or email [info@bathcollege.ac.uk](mailto:info@bathcollege.ac.uk).

## How do I enrol?

You can enrol on this course:

Online: Click the "Add to Cart" button to enrol online.

Phone: Call [01225 328720](tel:01225328720) during our [opening hours](#)

Post: Download the [Love2learn Learning Agreement](#) and send to Student Advice Centre, Bath College, Avon Street, Bath BA1 1UP.

In person: Visit the [Student Advice Centre](#) in either of our campuses

Please see [how to enrol](#) for more detailed information.