

Recognition of Prior Learning Policy



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Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Policy for BA Acting

Introduction

Collective Acting Studio is committed to making our BA Acting course as accessible as possible. This Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) policy outlines how prior learning and experience can be recognized towards entry or advanced standing in our BA Acting programme.

Scope

This policy applies to the BA Acting course at Collective Acting Studio Ltd. While Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh is our validating partner, we handle our own admissions and RPL processes independently.

Definition of RPL

Recognition of Prior Learning is the process by which we acknowledge and, where appropriate, award credit for learning that has taken place before entry onto our BA Acting course. This prior learning may have been acquired through formal study, work experience, or other life experiences.

Types of RPL

We recognize two types of prior learning:

- a) Prior Certificated Learning: Previous study with an educational organization that has been formally assessed and can be evidenced.
- b) Prior Experiential Learning: Learning acquired through relevant work or life experiences, which can be assessed and evidenced.

RPL Limits

Normally, the following limits apply to the amount of credit that can be imported:



For undergraduate programmes, a maximum of two-thirds of the total credits for the relevant award, subject to an upper limit of 240 credits.

Assessment of RPL

Applications for RPL will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- a) The learning is relevant to the BA Acting course
- b) The level of the prior learning can be mapped against that of the BA Acting course
- c) The content of the prior learning aligns sufficiently with our curriculum
- d) The learning can be evidenced

Special Consideration

We usually only consider RPL for entry into Level Two, though RPL into Level Three might be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Students who have successfully completed a minimum of a year in our Part-Time School will usually be considered for acceptance into Level 2 of the BA Acting, provided they can demonstrate the necessary academic skills.

How to Apply

To apply for RPL, candidates should:

- a) Gather evidence of prior learning (certificates, transcripts, portfolios, etc.)
- b) Submit this evidence in writing to our Academic and Registry Officer at admissions@collectiveactingstudio.co.uk

Candidates who have not studied previously at Collective Acting Studio will usually also be required to complete and pass an entry audition.

Decision Process

The Academic and Registry Officer will review applications and forward them to the relevant academic staff for assessment. The final decision must be signed off by the Programme Leader.



Contact Information

For queries about RPL applications, please contact:

Academic and Registry Officer

Email: admissions@collectiveactingstudio.co.uk

This policy aims to be inclusive rather than exclusive, supporting our mission to make the BA Acting course as accessible as possible through RPL.