



Transcend Urban Images Qualification Suite in Visual Art

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Welcome

Welcome to the **Transcend Qualification Suite in Urban Images [Visual art]**. Transcend Awards Limited is an awarding organisation regulated by Ofqual. This specification introduces the purpose and delivery rules for the qualifications in this suite which must be complied with to ensure effective and efficient delivery. This specification must be read and complied with in conjunction with **Transcend Centre Recognition Conditions**, the **Qualification Unit Specifications** and **Assessment Materials**.

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Part 01: Qualification Suite Purpose

Qualification Suite Scope

Transcend Urban Images [Visual Art] is a pioneering and progressive suite of Ofqual regulated qualifications designed to develop learner's **visual art production and exhibition skills in an urban context**. This suite sits in sector 09.2 crafts, creative arts and design and is pre-dominantly aimed at secondary school pupils who require an alternative curriculum. Over 329,000 children were expelled from schools in England in 2019. There are few solutions designed specifically to influence the sustainable engagement of these children in education. This suite therefore provides an opportunity for schools and PRUs to offer this as an innovative solution.

This suite is also relevant to learners in mainstream schools. It can be embedded into national curriculum programmes for art and design or delivered as a value-added alternative. Finally, it can be offered to learners in further education who wish to develop urban visual art skills to progress in their education and employability pathways.

Qualification suite regulation ¹	This qualification suite is regulated by Ofqual in England and the three qualifications are listed on <u>Register of Regulated</u> <u>Qualifications</u> .							egulated	
	Qualification titles Ofqual ref EQF Equivalent Start Review TQT GLH DSH C								Credit
	Transcend Entry Level 3 Award in Urban Images [Visual Art]	603/6117/7	Equivalent level 1 on the European Qualifications Framework (EQF).	20 Jul 2020	31 Jul 2026	30	15	15	3
	Transcend Level 1 Award in Urban Images [Visual Art]	603/6118/9	Equivalent to level 2 on the European Qualifications Framework (EQF).	20 Jul 2020	31 Jul 2026	30	15	15	3
	Transcend Level 2 Award in Urban Images [Visual Art]	603/6119/0	Equivalent to level 3 on the European Qualifications Framework (EQF).	20 Jul 2020	31 Jul 2026	30	15	15	3

¹ TQT, GLH and DSH are defined in the Transcend Recognition Conditions.



Qualification suite awarding	This qualification suite is solely awarded by <u>Transcend Awards Limited</u> as the recognised awarding organisation regulated by Ofqual in England.						
Qualification suite standards	This qualification suite is aligned to aspects of the Natio	onal Curriculum for Art.					
Qualification suite partner	consultation with education and equality representative	This qualification suite is developed in collaboration with the INSPIRATUS as the technical partner. It has also been subject to consultation with education and equality representatives. The collaboration and consultation groups remain in place for the lifetime of the qualification to ensure it remains fit for purpose.					
Qualification suite providers	This qualification suite is designed to be delivered through independent and maintained schools, Academy trusts, MATTs, Pupil Referral Units, local, regional, and national training providers, colleges, universities, and industry employers. It is accessible to any organisation which complies with the centre recognition and qualification approval conditions.						
	Applicant centres	Applicant centres Recognised centres					
Access the Transcend Awarding Website to submit a centre recognition enquiry to initiate the process. Access the Transcend Awarding Management System [TAM] submit the Transcend Recognised Centre Extension Request							

Qualification suite participants + progression	context to support their personal and educational development. It is also relevant to adults who aspire to develop urba					
	Education routes	Employability routes				
	Transcend Entry Level 3 Award in Urban Images [Visual Art] Transcend Level 1 Award in Urban Images [Visual Art] Transcend Level 2 Award in Urban Images [Visual Art] Higher level qualifications in visual art	This qualification suite can support learners in applying for work experience, work placements, traineeships, apprenticeships, and job roles associated with urban visual art performance and production.				
Qualification suite support	is qualification suite is supported by the <u>Omnia Foundation</u> as an influential independent school. The entire Transcend Skills Extery Qualification Portfolio has been integrated with functional skills and therapeutic development to create the Omnia undation's whole school curriculum. This curriculum has been inspected by Ofsted and considered a high-quality alternative to anational curriculum to meet the needs of their unique learners.					



Qualification	Qualification Suite Summary					
Qualification s uite purpose	This qualification suite purpose is to enable learners to prepare for further learning and develop skills in a subject area. This qualification suite sub purpose is to is to enable learners to develop knowledge and skills in a subject area. Entry Level aim Entry Level objectives					
Qualification suite aims and objectives	To engage learners to develop visual art techniques	 To provide a benefit to learners by supporting an education pathway in creative arts through development of urban visual art techniques. Learners will: be able to recognise the purpose and elements of visual art be able to recognise the influence of urban visual art in society be able to recognise the characteristics of urban visual art forms and develop visual art techniques be able to recognise personal growth though development of visual art techniques in an urban context. 				
	Level 1 aim	Level 1 objectives				
	To enable learners to create an urban visual artwork in a selected form	 To provide a benefit to learners by supporting an education pathway in creative arts through development of urban visual artwork production techniques. Learners will: be able to explain the purpose and elements of visual art be able to explain the benefits of urban visual art in society be able to explain the characteristics of urban visual art forms and produce an urban visual artwork in a selected form be able to review personal growth through the production of an urban visual artwork in a selected form 				
	Level 2 aim	Level 2 objectives				
	To empower learners to produce and exhibit an urban visual artwork in a selected form	 To provide a benefit to learners by supporting an education pathway in creative arts through development of urban visual artwork production and exhibition techniques. Learners will: be able to analyse the purpose and elements of visual art historically and in the 21-century urban context be able to analyse the benefits of visual art in society historically and in the 21-century urban context be able to analyse the characteristics of urban visual art forms, product and exhibit a visual artwork in a selected form be able to review personal growth through the production and exhibition of an urban visual artwork in a selected form 				



Qualification suite rationale	The rationale for the development, delivery and awarding of this progressive suite of qualifications is to offer learners a high-quality alternative education through urban visual art production and exhibition.
	Over 329,000 children were expelled from schools in England in 2019. There are limited solutions created to influence the sustainable development of these children. This suite is uniquely designed to do this.
	This suite is also designed to be integrated into national curriculum visual art programmes. It can also be used as an innovative and impact driven approach for providers to evidence compliance with Education Inspection Framework criteria for learners' behaviour, attitudes and personal development.
	What is particularly unique about this qualification suite is that it can also be offered to adults who wish to develop their urban visual art performance and production skills to enable them to optimise their future education or employability prospects.
Qualification uniqueness	This is the only qualification suite of its type. It is uniquely designed to influence sustainable engagement of children through urban visual art education. This suite is integral to a wider portfolio of skill mastery qualifications which can be collated to form an innovative alternative whole school curriculum.
	The Register of Regulated Qualifications should be accessed to source information on other awarding organisation providers who offer similar provision.



Qualification Suite Structures

This is a progressive suite of qualifications which is uniquely designed to develop urban visual art performance and production skills.

Transend Entry Level 3 Award in Urban Images

Learners must successfully complete one mandatory unit to be awarded the Transend Entry Level 3 Award in Urban Images

Unit ref	Unit title	Ofqual ref	Level	GLH	DSH	TUT	Credit
Unit 01	Urban visual art participation	R/618/2994	EL3	15	15	30	03
Transen	d Level 1 Award in Urban Images						
Learners must successfully complete one mandatory unit to be awarded the Transend Level 1 Award in Urban Images.							
Unit ref	Unit title	Ofqual ref	Level	GLH	DSH	TUT	Credit
Unit 01	Urban visual art production	Y/618/2995	L1	15	15	30	03
Transen	d Level 2 Award in Urban Images						
Learners must successfully complete one mandatory unit to be awarded the Transend Level 2 Award in Urban Images.							
Unit ref	Unit title	Ofqual ref	Level	GLH	DSH	TUT	Credit
Unit 01	Urban visual art exhibition	D/618/2996	L2	15	15	30	03



Part 02: Qualification Delivery Specification

Qualification Delivery Conditions

This qualification must be delivered in accordance with the *Transcend Recognised Centre Conditions*. The rules outlined below are supplementary conditions specific to this suite of qualifications. Centres must ensure full compliance with ALL conditions to establish and maintain centre recognition and qualification approval status.

Qualification Resource Conditions

The recognised centre is required to supplement RC5.1 of the **Transcend Recognised Conditions** with the following rules.

Qualification workforce	The recognised centre is required to ensure that the workforce can evidence tutor, assessors and IQA qualifications as outlined in the recognition conditions. This must be supplemented by evidence to demonstrate occupational competence which include a testimony or reference to confirm two years working in an education environment in a visual art context.
	The recognised centre is required to ensure the tutor to learner ratio per course is a maximum of 1:30. There is no minimum ratio. In exceptional circumstances, the awarding organisation will allow adaptations to this requirement to prevent disadvantage to learners and only where the recognised centre can evidence that the learning experience will not be compromised due to a larger cohort.
Qualification venues	The recognised centre must have venues, facilities, and equipment to cater for the breadth of the learning and assessment programme. The recognised centre does NOT need to have access to extensive visual art equipment, and it does not need to be expensive. Creativity is key to enable effective delivery in a manageable format.



Qualification Suite Coordination Conditions							
The recognised co	The recognised centre is required to supplement RC5.2 of the Transcend Recognised Centre Conditions with the following rules.						
	Entry Level 3	Level 1	Level 2				
Learner pre- requisites	The recognised centre is required to er qualification learners are required to:	nsure that the following entry requirements a	re complied with. Prior to registration for the				
 be accurately identified be at least 12 years of age be able to communicate in English 							
Learner adjustments	The recognised centre is required to recognise barriers to access to this qualification on the grounds of age and disability, to ensure physical and emotional safety of learners is prioritised. Age is justified for emotional safety reasons and no exceptions to this rule are accepted for this qualification. Barriers associated with disability may be reduced through reasonable adjustments which must be submitted to the awarding organisation to review on a case-by-case basis. This will enable each learner's circumstances to be evaluated in accordance with their unique needs.						
Learner agreements	The recognised centre is required to ensure that every learner is registered within 20 working days of the start date of their programmes. The registration period for each qualification in the suite is 2 years. Learners under 18 in schools must understand and adhere to the requirements of the qualification and their centres delivery model. Adult learners must sign an agreement to attend all aspects of the training and assessment programme in line with the recognised centre's delivery model and the registration period for each qualification in this suite.						
Learner attendance and achievement records	attendance and achievements includin The recognised centre is required to e workforce on the booking forms are records, assessment portfolios, LARs, o	ng all assessment and reassessment opportuns in a set opportung that the product coordinator takes ste accurate. The product coordinator must also	ssessment, learner agreements, programme nities within the learner registration period. ops to ensure that the start date, venue, and o ensure that attendance and achievement ly completed and accurate. Internal controls				



Qualification Delivery Conditions						
The recognised centre is required to supplement RC5.3 of the Transcend Recognised Centre Conditions with the following rules.						
Qualification suite delivery model	The recognised centre is required to document delivery models, schemes of work and associated lessons for each qualification. These must cover all learning outcomes, assessment criteria and delivery content within the unit specifications and must be submitted for awarding organisation approval prior to delivery. This suite is uniquely designed to support a high-level delivery model which can be used for all the qualifications. It is the level of demand through adaptation to learning and assessment activities which must align to each unit specification that differentiates delivery and achievements across the levels. Delivery models must comply with the TQT, GLH and DSH. The GLH should be extended to meet the needs of learners as relevant to their needs. It is recommended that those delivering to children on an Education, Health and Care Plan provide a 30 GLH programme. This should be achieved through face-to-face learning and assessment. Here is an example of a 30 GLH delivery model:					
	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5	
	Induction	Purpose	Profiling	Performance V Production	Progress review	
	Qualification orientation	Visual art elements Visual art characteristics Visual art instrumentation Visual art impact in society	Urban visual art genres	Urban visual art participation skills Urban visual art performance skills Urban visual art composition skills Urban visual art production skills	Progress: areas of strength Progress: areas to improve Progress: impact	
	1 GLH	3 GLH	12GLH	12GLH	2GLH	
	Each qualification within this suite is uniquely designed to be delivered to a group of learners at the same level or simultaneously to learners at different levels. A protype delivery model is provided to recognised centres. This is fully aligned to the requirements of each of the qualifications and should be delivered flexibly to support the centre's approach and their learners needs. Where an alternative model is required, recognised centres are required to submit the document to the awarding organisation. A clear justification for the alternative must be provided and supported by clear mapping and full alignment to all aspects of the qualification specification. In all cases the delivery models, schemes of work, lesson plans and materials must be approved by the awarding organisation prior to delivery.					
Qualification suite registrations	The recognis year registra		to ensure that learners com	plete all learning and three assessme	nt opportunities within a 2-	



The recognised centre is required to supplement RC5.5 of the **Transcend Recognised Centre Conditions** with the following rules. The assessment framework for this qualification is externally set by Transcend as the awarding organisation and marked internally by a qualified assessor within the recognised centre.

Assessment strategy

The recognised centre must ensure the following assessment strategy is complied with. The assessment methods are comprised of a portfolio of evidence which contains the assessment tools for practical observations with questioning. The assessment strategy at each level shows the difference in difficulty. The strategies are aligned to the unit assessment criteria and attainment indicators.

Strategies	Entry Level 1	Level 1	Level 2
Strategy 01: Purpose	Learner must recognise the purpose of visual art and its elements in an urban context.	Learner must explain the purpose of visual art and its elements in an urban context.	Learner must analyse the purpose of visual art and its elements in a traditional and 21 st century urban context.
Strategy 02: Profiles	Learners must recognise a profile for a range of urban visual art forms.	Learners must explain the profile for a range of urban visual art forms.	Learners must analyse the profile for a range of urban visual art forms.
Strategy 03: Practical	Learners must develop urban visual artist techniques.	Learners produce an urban visual artwork in a selected form.	Learners must produce and exhibit an urban visual artwork in a selected form.
Strategy 03: Progress	Learners must review their personal growth through development of urban visual artist techniques.	Learners must explain their personal growth through production of an urban visual artwork.	Learners must explain their personal growth through production and exhibition of an urban visual artwork

Assessment tasks The recognised centre must ensure the learners complete the assessment tasks contained in the Learner Assessment Portfolio [LAP] provided by the awarding organisation. These are designed specifically to cover all assessment criteria and ensure standardisation of assessment. In the rare event that a centre identifies the need to utilise alternative tools, these must be submitted to the awarding organisation with detailed mapping to the unit specification. This will be checked for accuracy and comparability to ensure the level of demand in each task is comparable before approval.

Assessment The recognised centre is required to ensure the assessment tasks are completed in a safe education environment. All assessment tasks must be completed under the observation of the assessor.

Assessment authentication	The recognised centre is required to ensure that assessment tasks are completed by the learner without support from others. All assessment must be their own work. Assessors can authenticate the assessment during practical observations.
Assessment marking	The recognised centre is required to ensure that the assessments are marked by a qualified assessor in accordance with the assessment guidance which is contained in the success criteria in the learner assessment portfolios. It must also be marked in line with the fair assessment and VARCS rules of evidence. This means that the assessment must be valid, authentic, relevant, current, and sufficient. If learners are dissatisfied with the decisions in light of these rules' learners should follow their recognised centre's appeals process.
Assessment attainment	The recognised centre is required to ensure that the qualifications are all graded on a PASS/FAIL basis. Assessment criteria and attainment indicators are confirmed in the unit specifications. Assessment guidance is also available to support standardisation. These are made available to assessors and learners to support valid and accurate assessment across assessors, recognised centres and over time. Learners must produce evidence against each task and must PASS each task to be awarded the qualification. This must be marked in line with the success criteria to enable learners to achieve the qualification.
Assessment re- takes	The recognised centre is required to ensure learners are granted three assessment opportunities for each component of assessment. They may be charged for reassessment at their recognised centre's discretion. All assessment and reassessment must be completed within the 2-year period of registration. If learners have not been confirmed as competent by this time, they will not be awarded their qualification.
Assessment re- marks	The recognised centre is required to enforce re-marks at the request of the internal or external quality moderators or in the event of a learner appeal. Where this is associated with a written piece of work the recognised centre is required to arrange a remark by an alternative assessor. Where the two outcomes are different, we would expect that a third re-mark is completed. Where the recognised centre does not have this many qualified assessors, they are required to request support via the Transcend Engagement Team.
	Where the appeal is associated with the outcomes of the practical demonstration or professional discussion the assessment records should be reviewed. It is then down to the discretion of the recognised centre to investigate and determine whether the assessment decision stands or whether the assessment decision should be overturned. Where internal moderation has been completed on that particular assessment the decision should ideally stand unless evidence suggests otherwise. Only if learners have exhausted the recognised centre's appeals process should they bring the matter to the awarding organisation where the appeal will be managed in accordance with the <i>Transcend Appeals Policy</i> .



Qualification Suite Quality Assurance Conditions

The recognised centre is required to supplement RC5.5 of the **Transcend Recognised Centre Conditions** with the following rules noting that all qualifications in this suite have been assigned a **LOW** risk profile based upon the following risk indicators. The areas in green have been selected for each qualification in the suite based upon the information contained in this specification. An average of assigned risk levels is applied to establish the overall risk profile for each of the qualifications.

Risk indicator	Low	Medium	High
Qualification purpose	Personal development	Professional development	Professional practice
Qualification size	Award	Certificate	Diploma
Qualification level	EL3 – L2	L3-L4	L5-8
Qualification assessment method	Portfolio, Practical, PD or PPT	Portfolio and Practical or PD or PPT	Portfolio only
Qualification assessment manageability	Real time assessment not required	Real time assessment on course/programme	Real time assessments in workplace
Qualification assessment authentication	Assessor present	Assessor part present	Assessor not present
Risk Profile		LOW RISK	



Internal quality assurance	The recognised centre is required to have an internal quality assurance strategy in place which must consider: Internal scrutiny of qualification sites [safety checks] Internal scrutiny of qualification workforce [CPD checks] Internal scrutiny of qualification coordination [data ² checks] Internal scrutiny of qualification delivery [teaching observations] Internal scrutiny of qualification assessment [risk-based moderation] Internal scrutiny of qualification assessment [standardisation activities]
Internal moderation	The recognised centre is required to conduct risk-based internal moderation activities. Internal moderation is defined as a form of Centre Assessment Standards Scrutiny for assessment which is marked by the centre to ensure that standards have been maintained and to adjust results where they have not. The recognised centre is required to ensure that Internal moderation takes place on each cohort before results are reported to the awarding organisation and requests for certification are made. Sampling strategies must consider the following key risk indicators: the risk profile for these qualifications which is LOW the experience of the assessors in their role as an assessor the experience of the assessors in the delivery of these qualifications the assessment samples to include potrfolios across every learner cohort the assessment samples to include observations of practical assessment periodically the number of learners registered and whether these attend a course or rolling programme.

² Data checks must as a minimum consider timely and accurate coordination of the course/programmes and must refer to the delivery venue, fair recruitment, initial assessment, access arrangements, learner agreements, allocation of workforce, attendance, retention, achievements across the assessment and reassessments for each task aligned to the assessment strategy, internal moderation dates, results reporting and certification requests. This data must be captured and subject to internal control for every learner prior to requests for certification being made.



External quality assurance	The recognised centre is required to cooperate with the external quality assurance activities conducted by the awarding organisation workforce. The external quality assurance approach determines the nature, frequency and sampling sizes as shown:
	Scrutiny of the qualification workforce competence checks on 100% bookings Scrutiny of the qualification delivery venue and facility safety via risk-based external monitoring activities. Scrutiny of the qualification coordination timings and accuracy via risk-based external monitoring activities. Scrutiny of the qualification delivery to prepare learners for assessment via risk-based external monitoring activities. Scrutiny of the qualification assessment standards via risk-based external moderation interventions. Scrutiny of the qualification internal quality assurance via risk-based external moderation interventions. Scrutiny of the qualification internal quality assurance via risk-based external moderation interventions. The external monitoring activities take place during external moderation interventions. This enables us to evaluate compliance across the breadth of the centre recognition and supplementary qualification approval conditions at the same time as scrutinizing the assessment standards. This enables us to maximise the application of our resources.
	Our external quality assurance reports may be communicated per moderation intervention in a matrix via email or via the web based in the Transcend Awarding Management System via TAMS. This is dependent on the number of learners to be certificated and the level of compliance of the recognised centre in the delivery of the qualifications. We will collaborate with each centre to determine this. The rationale is to ensure efficiency in our reporting and certifications. Where a matrix approach is adopted, these will be collated periodically and uploaded into TAMS for audit purposes. All moderation outcomes will be reported via TAMS bookings prior to certification to ensure that all results are reported in TAMS and available to the recognised centre workforce.

External moderation	The recognised centre is required to cooperate with the awarding organisation's risk-based external moderation interventions. External moderation is defined as a form of Centre Assessment Standards Scrutiny for assessment which is marked by the centre to ensure that standards have been maintained and to adjust results where they have not. The moderation strategy shown here is associated with the assessor's experience in delivering these qualifications, the LOW risk profile assigned to these qualifications and the recognised centres qualification approval risk profile for each of the qualifications. The strategy is designed to confirm the scrutiny method [moderation], the frequency of the interventions and the sample size [learners and assessment activities].			
	Strategy 01: F	irst assessments per assessor [aligned to the product risk profile which is LOW]		
	Courses	30% of 30 learners assessment to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP per learner for each new assessor		
	Programmes	30% of 30 learners assessment to be sampled across 100% tasks within the LAP per learner for each new assessor		
	Strategy 02a:	COURSE MODEL Ongoing assessments per assessor [based on recognised centre product approval risk profiles]		
	Low risk	20% LAPs to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP across learners for each assessor per booking		
	Medium risk	25% LAPs to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP across learners for each assessor per booking		
	High risk	30% LAPs to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP across learners for each assessor per booking		
	Strategy 02b:	PROGRAMME MODEL Ongoing assessments per assessor [based on recognised centre product approval risk profiles]		
	Low risk	20% LAPs to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP across learners for each assessor across bookings ³		
	Medium risk	25% LAPs to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP across learners for each assessor across bookings		
	High risk	30% LAPs to be moderated across 100% tasks within the LAP across learners for each assessor across bookings		

³ The term **across booking** is associated with a period which will be confirmed per centre dependent on the number of requests for certification within that time period. All learners within this time period per assessor will be considered to be a cohort.



External moderation of real time assessments	The moderation strategies for real time assessment are associated with the Low-risk profile assigned to each qualification in this suite Real time assessment is defined as assessments where the learner and the assessor are present. In this qualification suite this refers to:			
	 Practical demonstrations of urban visual art skills Professional discussions on urban visual art skills 			
	Real time assessment strategy			
	RTA Strategy	EQA Presence and moderation annually as a minimum to all centres, per qualification per real time assessment.		



Appendix 01: Qualification Version Control

This document is subject to version control. We will request feedback from centres in advance of any change. We will then inform centres of the changes made in advance and will re-publish the specification via our website. All changes will be tracked here and confirmed as an updated version.

Version	Publication	Details
Version 01	21 Jun 2020	Publication 01
Version 02	01 Sep 2021	Publication 02: The Qualification Quality Assurance Conditions section has been updated to include centre assessment standards scrutiny strategies for this qualification suite.
Version 03	31 May 2023	Publication 03: The unit titles, aims and objectives adapted for validity purposes. Guided learner reduced to 15 hours to enable a more flexible model to be delivered by different types of provider to learners with different characteristics.