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Modification History

Version	Comments
CUVSCU201A	This version first released with CUV11 Visual Arts, Craft and Design Training Package version 1.0

Unit Descriptor

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to use basic sculpture techniques to produce creative work.

Application of the Unit

People with little or no experience in working with sculpture apply the skills and knowledge outlined in this unit. Typically they are embarking on a career in visual arts or a related area of creative practice and may have acquired general design, drawing or craft skills either at school or through self-directed learning and experimentation.

At this level, they are applying basic techniques to produce sculptures from simple design concepts. Sculpture is defined quite broadly as any three-dimensional form. Supervision and guidance would usually be provided.

Licensing/Regulatory Information

No licensing, legislative, regulatory or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of endorsement.

Pre-Requisites

Not applicable.

Employability Skills Information

This unit contains employability skills.

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Elements and Performance Criteria Pre-Content

Element	Performance Criteria
Elements describe the essential outcomes of a unit of competency.	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the required skills and knowledge section and the range statement. Assessment of performance is to be consistent with the evidence guide.

Elements and Performance Criteria

1. Prepare sculpture resources	 1.1 Identify and obtain sculpture <i>tools</i>, <i>equipment</i> and <i>materials</i> 1.2 Prepare tools, equipment and materials according to <i>workplace procedures</i> and safety requirements 1.3 Set up a safe work space with guidance from <i>key people</i>
2. Use and test sculpture techniques	2.1 View a range of <i>sculpture</i> in different styles and discuss with others how effects are achieved
	2.2 Match potential techniques to the <i>ideas</i> for the work with the assistance of key people
	2.3 <i>Test</i> nominated <i>techniques</i> to determine the effects they achieve
	2.4 Safely use selected techniques to produce sculptures
	2.5 Calculate correct quantities of materials required and minimise waste where possible
	2.6 Clean and store tools, equipment and materials according to safety requirements and specific needs of different items
3. Make plans to develop skills	3.1 Seek feedback on sculptural work from key people
	3.2 Respond positively to feedback and identify key areas for improvement
	3.3 Review different opportunities to build own skills and select suitable options

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Required Skills and Knowledge

This section describes the skills and knowledge required for this unit.

Required skills

- communication skills to:
 - discuss the process for producing sculptures with others
 - understand and follow instructions
- learning skills to:
 - improve techniques for producing sculptures through practice
 - respond appropriately to feedback
- literacy skills to read product and equipment safety labels
- numeracy skills to calculate quantities of materials
- planning and organising skills to prepare and set up resources and work space.

Required knowledge

- materials, tools and equipment commonly used for making sculptures
- major styles of sculpting and the work of key practitioners relevant to individual area of interest
- typical work space and equipment requirements for the production of different types of sculpture work
- cleaning and maintenance techniques for tools and equipment used in making sculptures
- elements and principles of design what they are and what they mean
- intellectual property considerations for any person making creative work
- ways of minimising waste in the use of sculptural tools, materials and equipment
- OHS procedures that apply to sculpture work.

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Evidence Guide

The evidence guide provides advice on assessment and must be read in conjunction with the performance criteria, required skills and knowledge, range statement and the Assessment Guidelines for the Training Package.

Overview of assessment	
Critical aspects for assessment and evidence required to demonstrate competency in this unit	 Evidence of the ability to: produce at least one sculpture where the techniques and materials support the idea for the work apply knowledge of sculptural tools, equipment and materials.
Context of and specific resources for assessment	Assessment must ensure access to: • equipment and materials used in sculptural work.
Method of assessment	 A range of assessment methods should be used to assess practical skills and knowledge. The following examples are appropriate for this unit: direct observation of sculptural work in progress questioning and discussion of the candidate's intentions and work outcome review of portfolios of evidence review of third-party reports from experienced practitioners. Assessment methods should closely reflect workplace demands (e.g. literacy) and the needs of particular groups (e.g. people with disabilities, and people who may have literacy or numeracy difficulties, such as speakers of languages other than English, remote communities and those with interrupted schooling).
Guidance information for assessment	Holistic assessment with other units relevant to the industry sector, workplace and job role is recommended, for example: • CUVPRP201A Make simple creative work.

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Range Statement

The range statement relates to the unit of competency as a whole. It allows for different work environments and situations that may affect performance. Bold italicised wording, if used in the performance criteria, is detailed below. Essential operating conditions that may be present with training and assessment (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) may also be included.

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Tools and equipment	• carving tools
may include:	• hammers
	• heat guns
	• knives
	• nails
	• power tools
	protective clothing
	• saws
	• screwdrivers
	• screws
	• spatulas.
<i>Materials</i> may include:	• clay
	drawing materials
	flexible industrial materials
	flexible natural materials
	found objects
	• glues
	• blocks
	• latex
	metal and alloys
	oxidising agents and other patina agents
	• paint
	• plaster
	• rope
	• rubber
	soap stone
	• stains
	• string
	• thread
	• wax
	• wire
	wood and wood products.
Workplace procedures	cost control
may relate to such	process-specific procedures
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things as:	• recycling
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	• safety
	• use of materials.
	arts practitioners
Key people may	• mentors
include:	• supervisors
	• teachers.
Sculpture may be:	abstract
	assembled
	• contemporary
	• free-standing
	• kinetic
	• relief
	 representational
	traditional.
<i>Ideas</i> may be	current capability with techniques
influenced by:	historical and theoretical contexts
	• subject matter or theme for the work, such as:
	built environment
	 land and place
	natural world
	 political, cultural and social issues
	• the body
	spiritual concerns.
Process used to <i>test</i> techniques may include:	experimenting directly with work in progress
	exploring techniques by making practice pieces
	 making samples using nominated techniques.
Techniques would	assemblage
generally be quite	
	• carving
limited in nature and	
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Unit Sector(s)

Visual communication - sculpture

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