Production and Design – Costume Applications & Interviews

Summary:

1. Apply online through ECU’s applicant portal by the end of October 2019 and pay the application fee.

2. The Student Hub will allocate you an interview and send the details of the time and place via email. *If you have not received your response within ten business days, please check the junk folder in your email browser and contact us straight away if necessary.*

3. Attend the interview.

4. The Student Hub will contact you in writing with the outcome.

**Application Fees:**

This fee is non-refundable if you cancel your interview or application. More information is available on the [WAAPA website](https://www.waapa.edu.au).

**Applying:**

To apply follow the link from the Costume page on the WAAPA website. The link will take you to the Edith Cowan University applicant portal where you will be asked to create an account and you can then lodge your online application. After you have completed the application and made the necessary payment you will be contacted by email and given the appointment details for your individual interview. *Please note that you must be turning at least eighteen years of age in the year you would commence the course.*

Please attach the following documents:

- Your latest academic transcripts (school reports for school leavers) *Year 12 applicants will not yet have completed their final year so their report will not be available. In this case we need your latest school report (usually mid-year).*
- A brief resume.
- Costume Project (outlined below).

**Providing required documents (IMPORTANT):**

Documents requested above MUST be included with your application. Failure to do so will impact on the application outcome. You are able to upload documents after lodging your original application but the application must be complete by the end of October.

**Costume Project:**

Applicants wishing to be considered for the Costume course will be required to undertake the written entrance project detailed below. *This is to be uploaded to your application or emailed 2 weeks before your interview.*
Applicants are required to submit two approximately 400-word essays on the following topics:

- Discuss why you have chosen to pursue a career as a Costume Technician.
- Write a critique of a live performance you have seen recently, focussing on the costume and design elements.

**Interview**

For the interview, please bring any articles of clothing, costumes, millinery, handicrafts and portfolio work which will indicate your expertise and abilities. If you require a phone interview, detailed photographs of previous work must be submitted with your written essays.

During the interview, the panel will be considering the following:

- Demonstrated commitment and enthusiasm in relation to theatrical arts practice and related industries.
- Relevant interest in and understanding of costume related skills – this includes but is not limited to: costume construction, design, styling, dressing, hair and makeup, art finishing/textiles, and millinery.
- Existing and/or potential to develop strong practical skills in technical costume
- Previous study and/or experience in any related arts or managerial areas
- Ability to articulate and communicate ideas and experience clearly
- Evidence and aptitude for collaboration in creative processes

WAAPA encourages applications from potential students from diverse backgrounds and experience in theatrical or entertainment practice, along with other related areas.

Any further queries can be addressed to the Production and Design – Costume Coordinator, Fleur Kingsland – email: f.kingsland@ecu.edu.au or tel: (08) 6304 6059.

**Sending the Project (By Post):**
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**After The Interview:**

All applicants will be notified by email of the result of their application before Christmas.
Academic Entrance Requirements (IMPORTANT):

In addition to passing the audition applicants to CUA50415 Diploma of Live Production and Technical Services and CUA60213 Advanced Diploma of Live Production Management Services must also meet Edith Cowan University entrance requirements for its VET/TAFE programs to get a formal offer of a place from ECU. Successful interviewees who are in Year 12 must remember to send their examination results to the Student Hub as soon as they receive them (usually over Christmas). Applicants who are concerned they do not meet Edith Cowan University's entrance requirements and will not meet these requirements upon completion of their current course of study should contact Student Recruitment for details on alternative pathways. It is important you complete the section on the application form relating to your academic qualifications and attach the documents requested.

Offers:

Following your interview/audition, the Student Hub will advise the Admissions Office of the outcome of your interview/audition.

If all entry requirements are met and there are places available in the course then an offer of a place can be made. Successful applicants who meet ECU entry requirements will receive notification of their offer from January onwards.

If you have a successful interview or audition, but do not meet ECU's academic and/or English entry requirements, you will not be made an offer and you will be notified of your options by ECU.

Enrolment:

Before Orientation, early February, all students should enrol in the appropriate units online. Staff are available to assist students in this process (please contact 134 328 or enquiries@ecu.edu.au for assistance).

Orientation:

It is essential that you attend the rigorous Orientation program for your course at WAAPA which commences on Monday, 10th of February 2020 this date is effectively the commencement date of your full time studies.

We hope this information assists you. Please email us with any queries at the address below.

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