



Ambition doesn't have to wait

MA Graphic Design:
Branding and Digital Strategy
(Online flexible-learning)



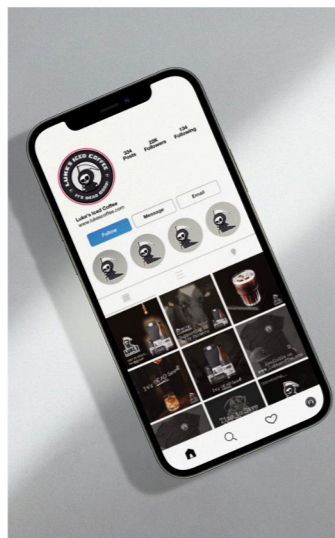
Balancing the MA with work, life and family

You can do this and we'll show you how.

One of the most common concerns we hear from prospective students is:

“Can I really fit this in around everything else I’ve got going on?”

The answer is a confident “yes”. The online MA Graphic Design: Branding and Digital Strategy is specifically designed to support ambitious, working professionals and creatives who are balancing multiple responsibilities. Whether you’re managing a full-time job, freelancing, parenting, or returning to study after a long break, our course structure flexes with your life, not against it.



Flexible by design

The course is structured around a manageable weekly timetable, designed to fit alongside your other commitments. You'll have the freedom to access all learning materials through our digital platform at times that suit you, allowing you to engage with lectures, tasks, and resources on your own schedule - whether that's early in the morning, late at night, or during a quiet moment in your day. Weekly content is released in manageable blocks that include:

- Live, recorded video lectures.
- Guided project tasks and reading.
- Reflective activities and discussion prompts.
- Drop-in progress/feedback tutorials and one-to-ones (booked at your convenience).

Live sessions are recorded, so even if life gets in the way one week, you'll never fall behind. Deadlines are spaced out with intention, and tutors provide advanced notice of workload peaks so you can plan ahead.



Who this course is for

Our student community includes:

- Full-time professionals working in design, marketing, or related fields.
- Freelancers managing their own client base.
- Parents and carers with limited study time during the day.
- Career-changers or returners to education after time away.
- Students studying online from abroad.

The one thing they all have in common? A commitment to growing as a designer, strategist and creative thinker on their own terms.



You're never studying alone

One of the most powerful aspects of this course is the sense of connection. Despite being fully online, we foster a genuine creative community. You'll interact regularly with:

- Tutors who provide structured feedback, guidance and support.
- Peers through collaborative critiques, group activities and discussion forums.
- A personal academic advisor for check-ins on your progress and wellbeing.
- Technical and library support teams, ready to assist when needed.

Students often tell us how much they value the relationships they build throughout the MA. It's not just about coursework; it's about growing together as professionals.



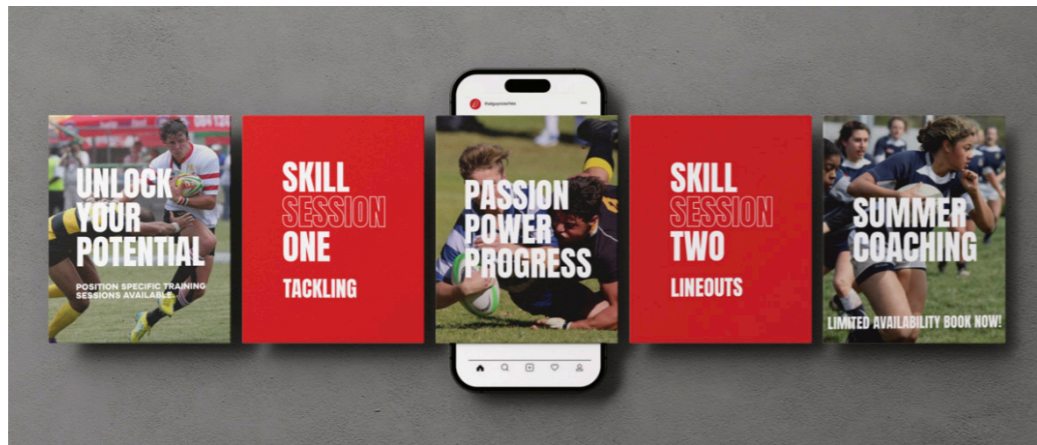


Wellbeing and workload: our approach

We understand that postgraduate study is a big commitment and that life doesn't pause when you enrol. That's why we embed flexibility and support into every stage of the MA.

- Consistent weekly structure helps you create a sustainable study rhythm.
- Built-in reflection time allows you to pause, recharge and refocus.
- Extension policies are in place for life events or unexpected challenges.
- Pastoral and wellbeing support is available if you're struggling emotionally or practically.

We encourage open communication with tutors. If something's not working, or life throws a curveball, we'll work with you to adapt your study plan; no judgment, just support.



Practical advice from former online students

Here's what some of our graduates recommend:

- *I scheduled 90 minutes every evening after dinner. Some nights I just watched lectures, other nights I designed or reflected. Slow and steady worked for me*

Anna, freelance illustrator and parent of two

- *I blocked out every Saturday morning as my creative focus time. I treated it like a client project; non-negotiable and sacred*

James, full-time agency designer

- *Voice notes and journal apps became my best friend! I recorded ideas while walking the dog or commuting*

Priya, part-time designer, part-time carer



Balancing life and study: A challenge worth taking

Whatever stage of life you're in (whether you're climbing the career ladder, freelancing full-time, raising a family, or returning to study after a break), this MA has been designed with flexibility and real-life challenges in mind. You don't need to pause your ambitions or put your personal responsibilities on hold. Instead, you'll find a programme that works around you, supporting your success with structure, understanding, and a creative community that values your voice.

If you're ready to push your creative thinking further, strengthen your design strategy, and build a portfolio that reflects your future potential, this course is for you. With commitment, support, and the right mindset, balancing your MA with life is not only possible, it's powerful.



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