

**THE GLASGOW
SCHOOL OF ART**

**ARCHIVES & COLLECTIONS
TEACHING SUPPORT**

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Glasgow School of Art's Library and Archives & Collections services hold a wide range of material relating to the history of the School – its students and staff, courses, buildings and extra-curricular activities.

Material includes (but is not limited to!): letters, diaries, photographs, flyers, posters, design folios, artists' books, sketches, prints, textiles, architectural drawings, medals and many other examples of student work in different media.

Our teaching support services provide hands-on group sessions which focus on a particular subject area or type of material. **Please note:** We ask that a course tutor accompanies the students to ensure the contents of the session is well-integrated with the wider course structure.

Archive sessions:

Our on-site sessions encourage object analysis skills:

- Between 10-15 items can generally be viewed during a one-hour session.
- The maximum group size is normally 15, but due to current COVID restrictions (as of March 2022), the current maximum group size is 8.
- We can deliver specialist talks about the School's history, our holdings, and our activities, for example: Mackintosh, textile collections, conservation / digitisation work.
- We provide advice / short presentations on study and research skills e.g. 'What are archives?'; 'How to find relevant sources'.
- We provide surrogate copies of key resources from Archives and Collections which can be used in the studio.
- We develop tailored handouts, guides and/or web pages on specific subject areas or research skills relating to library, archives and museum collections.

Library sessions:

The [Library's classes on Canvas](#) provide drop-in sessions on specialist computing programmes and information skills.

How to arrange a session

Archives and Collections and the School's Main Library are both part of the GSA Learning Resources Department. These two services can provide joint sessions which cover Library resources and skills alongside the information above.

Any enquiries about the above activities should be directed in the first instance to archives@gsa.ac.uk or library@gsa.ac.uk.