

COURSE TITLE	DISCOVER PRINTMAKING
COURSE CODE	EC2501PR16
TUTOR	TEMSUYANGER LONGKUMER
START DATE	16/10/2025
DAY & TIME	THURSDAYS, 6.30 - 9PM
LEVEL	BEGINNER
LOCATION	BANKSIDE CAMPUS

DAILY BREAKDOWN

Date	Topics/ Skills covered
16 October 2025	Monotype: Unlike other printmaking techniques, monotype creates a single, unique impression by applying paint or ink directly onto a smooth, non-absorbent surface such as metal or glass. The image is then transferred onto paper by pressing or hand-rubbing, producing a one-of-a-kind print characterised by rich textures, spontaneous fluidity, and creative freedom, making it perfect for experimentation. This method merges elements of painting, drawing, and printmaking, offering artists a high degree of freedom and expressive potential.
23 October 2025	Woodcut: In this relief technique, the artist carves away the non-printing areas of a wooden block, leaving the design raised on the surface. Ink is rolled onto the raised areas, and paper is pressed onto the block to transfer the image. Known for its bold lines and graphic clarity, woodcut has been used by artists from Albrecht Dürer to contemporary printmakers, valued for its directness, expressive potential, and connection to traditional craftsmanship.
30 October 2025	Drypoint: In this method, the artist scratches an image directly onto a metal or acrylic plate using a sharp needle, raising a burr along the edges of the incised lines. When ink is applied, the burr holds additional ink, giving drypoint prints their characteristic soft, fuzzy quality. Because the delicate burr wears down quickly during printing, only a limited number of strong impressions can be made, making drypoint prints especially prized for their intimacy and expressive texture.
6 November 2025	Etching: In this technique, a metal plate is coated with an acid-resistant ground, and the artist draws through the ground to expose the metal beneath. The plate is then submerged in acid, which bites into the exposed lines to create grooves. After cleaning the ground, ink is applied to the plate, filling the etched lines, and the image is printed onto damp paper using a press. Etching is prized for its ability to produce fine, detailed lines and a wide range of tones, offering artists great freedom and subtlety in mark-making.
13 November 2025	Photo Etching: The process involves exposing ultraviolet (UV) light through a film positive of the artwork or photograph onto a pre-coated polymer plate. After exposure, the unexposed areas are rinsed away, revealing a relief or intaglio surface ready for inking and printing. Photopolymer plates provide a safer, eco-friendly alternative to traditional acid etching while enabling artists to create precise, high-resolution prints rich in texture and fine detail.