

COURSE TITLE	HAND BUILT CERAMICS
COURSE CODE	SAT2502C001
TUTOR	FINTY CAHILL
START DATE	24/01/2026
DAY & TIME	SATURDAYS, 10:30AM - 1:00PM
LEVEL	ALL LEVELS
LOCATION	BANKSIDE CAMPUS

DAILY BREAKDOWN

Date	Topics/Skills covered	What to bring
24 January 2026	<p>Health and Safety</p> <p>Intro to clay, handbuilding applications and how clay is processed into ceramic.</p> <p>Demo of pinching and coiling building techniques</p> <p>Time spent building, blending, and neatening pieces to try the techniques</p> <p>Demonstration on and time spent attaching handles</p>	<p>Scrap book or sketchbook.</p> <p>Prior to the course, collect pictures of things which appeal to you, photos of textures, sketches or pictures of things you see like sculptures, pots etc</p> <p>Apron or work clothes</p> <p>Notebook for notes and keeping a record of how you did your work</p> <p>Extra large freezer bags for storing and covering work</p>
31 January 2026	<p>Demonstration on decorating techniques and time to try these on the pieces made last week.</p> <p>This will include painting and layering coloured slips, scraffitto and inlay techniques.</p> <p>Experimenting with surface decoration by carving and mark making.</p>	<p>Your sketchbook for ideas</p> <p>objects to create texture (fabric, leaves, shells, wood, feathers, etc)</p> <p>Extra large freezer bags to keep clay moist from week to week</p>
7 February 2026	<p>Discussion about a mini project, talk through ideas and make a plan on how to build and decorate the pieces. start making the items via pinching and coiling.</p> <p>The items may include functions items such as mugs, cups, bowls, mini vases, side plates trinket box, or small hollow sculptural items using the building and decorating techniques you've learnt.</p>	<p>Your sketchbook for ideas</p>
14 February 2026	<p>Continue with project work. mainly concentrating on building the work, neatening and adding and handles.</p>	<p>Your sketchbook for ideas</p>
21 February 2026	<p>Finish all project work, all decorating to be completes and pieces finalised in preperation for the kiln</p>	<p>Your sketchbook for ideas</p>