EMILY CARR UNIVERSITY of Art + Design | Continuing Studies

MATERIALS GUIDE

STORY + CHARACTER COURSES

Helpful tips for planning your approach to buying materials for your course(s)

1. Start with what you need for the first class

- Bring a notebook and pen for taking notes.
- Focus on acquiring the items on your course list that are required for the first day of class. They are marked with an asterisk* on the list.

2. Budget for your supplies

- Art supplies can vary greatly in quality and price. Take some time to understand the pacing of the course and your own learning goals to make informed decisions about what to buy. Instructors will provide more details about the specific materials needed for each course. Talk to them for advice!
- You may already have suitable materials at home; it is not necessary to purchase new materials for every course.

3. Set up any required software

- For courses that require software: purchase, download, and install the required software before the first day of class. This will allow you time to troubleshoot any potential installation issues. Most required software are free or have low-cost educational versions that are available to you as an ECU Continuing Studies student.

Ready to Get Started? Look for your Course List



CSSC 100: Creative Writing

Required Course Materials	Approximate Costs
Notebook and pen*	Use what you have

**required for the first day of class*

CSSC 101: Story: An Introduction

Required Course Materials	Approximate Costs
Microsoft Word* This software is available for free in a browser version. Click to visit the Microsoft365 webpage and navigate to the prompt that says "Sign up for the free version of Microsoft365" **or** Final Draft* This software is available for a free 30-day trial. Click to download the free trial. For students with an *@ecuad.ca* email account, *Final Draft* is also available with a student plan, approximately $100.00 USD. Click for instructions to download the educational version.	Free
Recommended	
Adobe Photoshop Adobe Premiere Pro The Adobe Creative Cloud license includes access to all Adobe tools and software. Click the link to visit the Adobe Creative Cloud Education Plan webpage Download Adobe Creative Cloud on your computer and install *Adobe Photoshop* and *Adobe Premiere Pro*.	First year: $311.88 for 12-month student license
Notebook and pen	Use what you have
Total Recommended Approximate Cost	**$312**

**required for the first day of class*

CSSC 102: Storyboarding

Required Course Materials	Approximate Costs
Basic drawing materials such as pens, pencils and erasers*	$50.00
Drawing tablet (such as Wacom or HUION)* **or** Apple iPad + Apple Pencil*	Drawing tablet starting at $90.00 Apple iPad starting at $499 Apple Pencil Starting at $129

Adobe Photoshop* Adobe Illustrator* Adobe Premiere Pro* The Adobe Creative Cloud license includes access to all Adobe tools and software. Click the link to visit the Adobe Creative Cloud Education Plan webpage Download Adobe Creative Cloud on your computer and install *Adobe Photoshop*, *Adobe Illustrator* and *Adobe Premiere Pro*.	First year: $311.88 for 12-month student license
Total Required Approximate Cost	**$990**
Recommended	
Procreate This app is available for iPad through the Apple App Store, and costs $17.99 CAD. Using your iPad, click to download the app.	$17.99
Microsoft Word This software is available for free in a browser version. Click to visit the Microsoft365 webpage and navigate to the prompt that says "Sign up for the free version of Microsoft365" **or** Final Draft This software is available for a free 30-day trial. Click to download the free trial. For students with an *@ecuad.ca* email account, *Final Draft* is also available with a student plan, approximately $100.00 USD. Click for instructions to download the educational version.	Free
Total Recommended Approximate Cost	**$18**

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CSSC 103: Scriptwriting

Required Course Materials	Approximate Costs
Microsoft Word* This software is available for free in a browser version. Click to visit the Microsoft365 webpage and navigate to the prompt that says "Sign up for the free version of Microsoft365" **or** Final Draft* This software is available for a free 30-day trial. Click to download the free trial. For students with an *@ecuad.ca* email account, *Final Draft* is also available with a educational plan, approximately $99.99 USD. Click for instructions to download the educational version.	Free
Recommended	
Fade In Fade in is free. Click to download the software. **or**	Free

Scrivener This software is available for a free 30-day trial. Click to download the free trial. Additional plans are available for $79.99.	
Notebook and pen	Use what you have

**required for the first day of class*

CSSC 105: Character Design + Development

Required Course Materials	**Approximate Costs**
Basic drawing materials such as pens, pencils and erasers*	$50.00
Autodesk Maya 3D* For instructions how to download Autodesk Maya, go to ECU Knowledge Base and login using your myEC credentials.	Free with a 1-year educational license
Adobe Photoshop* The Adobe Creative Cloud license includes access to all Adobe tools and software. Click the link to visit the Adobe Creative Cloud Education Plan webpage Download Adobe Creative Cloud on your computer and install *Adobe Photoshop*.	First year: $311.88 for 12-month student license
Drawing tablet (such as Wacom or HUION)* **or** Apple iPad + Apple Pencil*	Drawing tablet starting at $90.00 Apple iPad starting at $499 Apple Pencil Starting at $129
Total Required Approximate Cost	**$990**
Recommended	
Procreate This app is available for iPad through the Apple App Store, and costs $17.99 CAD. Using your iPad, click to download the app.	$17.99
Total Recommended Approximate Cost	**$17.99**

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CSSC 115: Environment + Concept Art

Required Course Materials	Approximate Costs
Basic drawing materials such as pens, pencils and erasers*	$50.00
Autodesk Maya 3D* For instructions how to download Autodesk Maya, go to ECU Knowledge Base and login using your myEC credentials.	Free with a 1-year educational license
Adobe Photoshop* The Adobe Creative Cloud license includes access to all Adobe tools and software. Click the link to visit the Adobe Creative Cloud Education Plan webpage Download Adobe Creative Cloud on your computer and install *Adobe Photoshop*.	First year: $311.88 for 12-month student license
Drawing tablet (such as Wacom or HUION)* **or** Apple iPad + Apple Pencil*	Drawing tablet starting at $90.00 Apple iPad starting at $499 Apple Pencil Starting at $129
Total Required Approximate Cost	**$990**
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Procreate This app is available for iPad through the Apple App Store, and costs $17.99 CAD. Using your iPad, click to download the app.	$17.99
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