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Member

The Council of Higher Education in Art and Design is the association of educational institutions with degree or postgraduate provision in art, design, creative media, and related disciplines.

CHEAD is the representative body for the art, design, creative media, and related disciplines in the higher education sector. Our mission is to contribute to the development of the art and design higher education community, its standing and stature as well as its engagement with the outside world.

We carry out research, scan the policy horizon, brief our members, facilitate debates and networking opportunities for senior staff from within and outside art and design HE, as well as helping to shape policy on our members' behalf. We also facilitate specialist internal networks supporting research leaders, art and design Subject Associations, and HE gallery leaders.

Membership

Our membership of over 68 art and design HE institutions (HEIs) spans the HE sector ranging from Russell Group, to private art and design HE providers, and Post-1992 art and design departments in multi-faculty institutions. We are the specialist representative body for HE art and design, representing the full range of art and design HEIs, and our membership is currently expanding. Our members also participate in REF Panels, in the development of art and design QAA subject benchmarks, and in art and design Subject Associations.

Through our current range of activities, members have the opportunity to:

- Take up a free space at the CHEAD Annual Conference
- Receive regular policy updates in a fast-changing policy landscape.
- Support a voice for the sector: CHEAD has a strong track record in delivering key sector focussed policy events and projects.
- Support your staff: our Leadership Programme provides leadership seminars run by peers for aspiring academic leaders.
- Join our specialist networks: CHEAD supports a Research, Innovation and Knowledge Exchange Alliance, an EDI Alliance, a Technical Alliance and a Subject Association Alliance.

Become a member

CHEAD membership is open to institutions offering higher education in art and design. Each member nominates a main representative and can add an unlimited number of staff to the CHEAD mailing list. The main representative will have the right to vote at our annual AGM and have a say in the direction of CHEAD strategy.

Cost

Membership starts at £773 with six levels of membership fees (based on student numbers) and covers the period from 1 August to 31 July. If your institution is joining in the middle of a year, the fee is discounted to cover the remaining months from the 1st of the next month of joining date (= (annual fee / 12) * no. of months remaining).



One of the most important benefits of CHEAD membership is the opportunity to network with peers from other HEIs and to share experiences. This network of support and expertise also provides the strong foundation for much of our activities.

How to join

Please contact the Director of Membership to make an application for CHEAD membership: info@chead.ac.uk

Student Numbers*	Annual Fee	Benefits
Above 10000 or multiple constituent colleges of art and design	£7122	Multiple free conference places per constituent college designated at the time of application
Above 6500	£4738	Two free conference places
Above 3000	£2733	Two free conference places
Under 3000	£2260	One free conference place
Under 1000	£1546	One free conference place
Under 350	£773	One free conference place



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What our members say

- “ CHEAD has helped us make key contacts in regards to art and design policy
- “ Their membership events are well run and informative with relevant speakers
- “ It's a great resource with access to a wide network of art and design professionals and their knowledge

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