



Temporary Installation of Student Artwork

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1. Purpose

When student artwork is installed in OCAD University (“OCAD U” or “the University”) public spaces, it can impact on others. Risk assessment is essential, but does not necessarily mean that artwork needs to be altered in any way. The Safety, Security & Campus Operations and Facilities & Studio Services will do everything reasonable to facilitate the safe exhibition of artwork, but reserve the right to refuse any exhibition deemed to have an unacceptably high degree of risk.

2. Scope

This policy applies to student artwork:

- Displayed or installed in OCAD U public spaces; and
- Installed in a classroom where any alternations and/or modifications could cause damaged to physical components of the room.

Please note: this policy does not apply to installations for the Annual Graduate Exhibition. Specific visual inspections of such installations will be conducted prior to the event.

3. Policy

The applicant must complete the application form and **attach a brief project description (maximum 500 words) and drawing** outlining the proposed project and location (i.e. room number/floor).

The application must include:

- Rationale for the project/installation
- How the space will be used
- Proposed materials, construction methods, mounting techniques, etc.
Students requiring special technical assistance are encouraged to contact a relevant studio technician.

4. Approval Process

1. This written proposal must first be approved by the relevant faculty member(s).
2. This proposal is to be provided to the office of Safety, Security & Campus Operations for review at least one week prior to the proposed installation date.
 - a. If approved, the student will be notified, and installation may begin.

- b. If not approved, the student will be notified with recommendations.

Approval of a competent proposal will be unreasonably withheld, although modifications for safety reasons may be required.

The student must post a photocopy of the approved form with signatures and description of the project prominently beside the installation.

5. Project Guidelines

- Projects must not present any kind of health or safety hazard, including materials used; modifications may be required to satisfy health/safety requirements.
- Restrictions that currently apply to chemical/solvent use in OCAD U studies also extend to any installation in public spaces.
- Project installations should not make undue imposition upon others.
- Projects must not block or obstruct hallways, exits or exit signs, doorways, stairwells, directional or room signage, emergency or courtesy telephones, fire alarms, fire extinguishers, etc.
- All premises used must be returned to their original condition at the expense of the student. Specifically:
 - Installation of projects may include single-sided tape, nails, small screws etc., but all holes must be filled, sanded and re-painted afterwards (using approved type of paint)
 - Precautions must be taken to avoid getting paint on floors, baseboards, etc.
 - Double-sided carpet tape or double-sided foam tape may not be used, as its removal will permanently damage the wall surface.
- OCAD U has not responsibility for theft or damage to the installed work.
- Student has full responsibility for installation and removal of the work, and for returning premises to their original condition.
- The proposed project, and specifically its content, must receive written approval, in advance, from a supervising Faculty member.
- After the supervising Faculty member's signature has been obtained, the proposed project, and specifically its materials, location, installation methodology, health & safety implications, and other details, must receive written approval, in advance, from Safety, Security & Campus Operations.
- If either department has concerns about the above matters, they have the right to reject the proposal, or approve it with modifications.

All members of the University community are reminded that they are bound by the OCAD U Health & Safety Policy which requires them to observe safe work practices, and that repeated or deliberate infractions of the Health & Safety Policy may lead to disciplinary measures.