

Certificate
in
Advanced Textile Studies



**The Association of Guilds of
Weavers, Spinners and Dyers**

This study has been designed for candidates whose work has reached a standard of excellence and would normally follow the successful completion of the Certificate of Achievement, or a comparable qualification. It is to be awarded in acknowledgement of personal development and study in weaving, spinning or dyeing.

It should be an in-depth study showing an ability to plan, co-ordinate and execute a project in a chosen discipline, with emphasis on design and originality in one or in a combination of the three disciplines, which may be augmented by other textile crafts.

The work should comprise detailed research together with sampling of materials and techniques, all culminating in a finished piece or pieces as appropriate.

A brief outline of the study to be undertaken should be submitted with the registration form. This is to ensure the feasibility of the project and will be confidential and considered anonymously.

The acceptance of the proposed study outline will not necessarily guarantee the awarding of an Advanced Certificate. Should you need to modify your original planned study the Committee must be notified. This is to ensure that the appropriate assessor is appointed.

The submission will be judged by the following criteria:-

The materials must be suitable for the techniques used.

The finished piece/pieces must show a high degree of skill in the chosen technique.

The design must show quality, originality and fitness for its purpose.

The samples must show the development of ideas leading to the final piece or pieces of work.

Notes should include details of museum or other relevant visits, a bibliography and photographs and drawings as appropriate.

Details should include information about the equipment and techniques utilised; e.g., computer-aided design, type of loom or spinning wheel, dye fixing method chosen etc.

