ÉCOLE SUPÉRIEURE D’ARTS & MÉDIAS DE CAEN/CHERBOURG

L’école supérieure d’arts & médias de Caen/Cherbourg is a public institution for cultural cooperation under administrative supervision of Caen la mer Normandie Communauté Urbaine, the city of Cherbourg-en-Cotentin, the State and the Normandy Regional Council. It was born in 2011 from the merger of Caen School of Arts and Media and Cherbourg-Octeville School of Fine Arts. Both a higher education institution and a cultural venue, ésam Caen/Cherbourg offers several training opportunities: higher education courses leading to Bachelor and Master diplomas, a preparatory class for the entrance at French art schools, and workshops and courses for the general public offering an introduction to artistic practices. Esam Caen/Cherbourg has also been involved in research activities for several years now.

◆ MAIN PROGRAMMES OF STUDY
The first cycle, which lasts three years and is located on the Caen campus, gives the students the basic theoretical and technical tools of artistic practice and guide them in the creation and development of their personal project. After a first common year for all the students of the school, they have to choose an option in the second year between Art or Graphic Design. In the third year, students have to elaborate and present their works in order to validate the National Diploma of Art (DNA - Bachelor degree). The second cycle, which lasts two more years, is mainly devoted to the preparation of the National Diploma of Plastic Expression (DNSEP - Master degree). This second cycle is currently being redesigned. Thus, from October 2018, students will have to choose one of the following three courses: Art mention Art (located on the Caen campus), Art mention Inventer le réel (located on the Cherbourg campus) and Design mention Editions* (located on the Caen campus). During the fourth year, they also have the opportunity to study at one of the 30 European and non-European partner institutions of the ésam Caen/Cherbourg. *(subject to review by the National Council for Higher Education and Research in July 2018).

◆ RESEARCH
In addition to the structuring issues that aim to promote the development of one or more research units in the school, other research activities are leading in a temporary and isolated way. Some projects are developed with the association of scientific research professionals and artistic research professionals. These initiatives are implemented by researchers at ésam Caen/Cherbourg who can mobilize external energies through partnerships and other institutional collaborations. In most cases, they create effective links between research productions and pedagogical practices.

◆ STRENGTHS
Both campuses of the school offer exceptional living and working conditions to the students: technical workshops: volume, ceramics, printmaking, edition, photography, video, sound, IT: individual workrooms and exhibition spaces: libraries (with more than 35000 documents): an auditorium and a gallery for conferences, meetings with artists, exhibitions, performances, concerts.

◆ LOCATION
The school has two locations: Caen and Cherbourg

◆ IDENTIFY FORM
◆ Precise name of the institution
École supérieure d’arts & médias de Caen/Cherbourg
◆ Type of institution
Public institution for cultural cooperation
◆ City where the main campus is located
Caen
◆ Number of students
300
◆ Percentage or number of international students
15%
◆ Type and level of qualifications awarded
Diplôme National d’Art (Bachelor)
Diplôme National Supérieur d’Expression Plastique (Master)
◆ French language courses
Yes - In partnership with Caen University
◆ Programs for international students
No
◆ Programs in English
Yes - Some courses and workshops are taught in English
◆ Registration fees/year
(for information only)
420€ + 20€ (subscription for the University service for Preventive Medicine and Health Promotion) + 217€ for Social Security
◆ Postal address
17, Cours Caffarelli
14000 Caen


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