

## Schedule | New Media | 2026-2027 | 1st Year MA Students

AUTUMN SEMESTER	
PERIOD I	PERIOD II
<b>COMPULSORY STUDIES 18 ECTS</b>	
Interaction Design 3 ECTS	
Introduction to Media Art and Culture 3 ECTS	Thinking Practices in Art and Media 6 ECTS
Computational Art and Design 6 ECTS	
<b>OPTIONAL MAJOR STUDIES 0-12 ECTS</b>	
	Physical Computing 6 ECTS
	The 21st Century Art & Science Lab 6 ECTS
<b>ELECTIVE STUDIES 0-6 ECTS (or language studies)</b>	

SPRING SEMESTER		
PERIOD III	PERIOD IV	PERIOD V
<b>COMPULSORY STUDIES 9 ECTS</b>		
Doing Research in Art and Media 3 ECTS	Art of Writing 6 ECTS	
<b>OPTIONAL MAJOR STUDIES 6-18 ECTS</b>		
Systems of Representation: Culture Lab 6 ECTS		
Generative and Interactive Narratives 6 ECTS		
Embodied Interaction 6 ECTS		
Critical AI Studies: Beyond the Black Box		
Game Tools and Technology 6 ECTS		
Internet Technologies and Web Development 6 ECTS		
Digital Fabrication I 6 ECTS	Digital Fabrication II 6 ECTS	
<b>1ST YEAR CAPSTONE PROJECT 9 ECTS</b>		
Art + Media Studio 9 ECTS		
Study Project 9 ECTS		
Internship and Professional Experience 9 ECTS		
	Digital Fabrication Studio 9 ECTS	
<b>ELECTIVE STUDIES 0-6 ECTS (or language studies)</b>		

## Schedule | New Media | 2026-2027 | 2nd Year MA Students

AUTUMN SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER		
PERIOD I	PERIOD II	PERIOD III	PERIOD IV	PERIOD V
<b>COMPULSORY STUDIES 6 ECTS</b>				
Art & Media Thesis Seminar 6 ECTS				
		<b>MASTER'S THESIS 30 ECTS</b>		
<b>ELECTIVE STUDIES 24-30 ECTS</b>				
- Depending on how many credits of elective studies the student completed during the first year				
<b>LANGUAGE STUDIES</b>				
(depending on previous education)				

Colors



Degree Structure (120 ECTS)

MASTER'S THESIS 30 ECTS

Master's Thesis	30 ECTS
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COMPULSORY PROGRAMME STUDIES 21 ECTS

Thinking Practices in Art & Media	4 ECTS
Doing Research in Art & Media	3 ECTS
Art of Writing	4 ECTS
Art & Media Master's Thesis Seminar	4 ECTS

COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 12 ECTS

Computational Art and Design	4 ECTS
Introduction to Media Art and Culture	3 ECTS
Interaction Design	3 ECTS

OPTIONAL MAJOR STUDIES 27 ECTS

CHOOSE 18 ECTS FROM THE FOLLOWING COURSES	
Physical Computing	4 ECTS
The 21st Century Art & Science Lab	4 ECTS
Embodied Interaction	4 ECTS
Internet Technologies and Web Development	4 ECTS
Systems of Representation: Culture Lab	4 ECTS
Generative and Interactive Narratives	4 ECTS
Critical AI Studies: Beyond the Black Box	4 ECTS
Game Tools and Technology	4 ECTS
Digital Fabrication I	4 ECTS
Digital Fabrication II	4 ECTS

CHOOSE 9 ECTS FROM THE FOLLOWING COURSES

Art + Media Studio	3 ECTS
Internship and Professional Experience	3 ECTS
Study Project	3 ECTS
Digital Fabrication Studio	3 ECTS

ELECTIVE STUDIES 30 ECTS

STUDENTS CAN FREELY CHOOSE 30 ECTS from the Elective Studies are mainly done on your 2nd year, but you can take electives that fit your schedule at any point in your studies.

Orientation Week [week 35] | 24.-30.08

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00
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### Starting your studies | Aalto University

Congratulations for the admission and welcome to study at the Aalto University School of Arts, Design and Architecture! On this page you will find instructions for starting your studies and the orientation programme. The orientation week will be held on...

Period I [weeks 36-41] 31.08.-11.10.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
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17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00

Workshop/Evaluation I [week 42] 12.-18.10.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00
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**1st Year MA Students | Period I**

**COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 9 ECTS**

Introduction to Media Art and Culture	3 ECTS
Interaction Design	3 ECTS
Computational Art and Design	3/6 ECTS*

**ELECTIVE STUDIES 0-3 ECTS**

Workshop Period 1	3 ECTS
(any elective course)	3 ECTS

**CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD: 9-15 ECTS**

\*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the weighted for this period/total.

Period II [weeks 43-48] 19.10.-11.12.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
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Workshop/Evaluation II [week 49] 30.11.-06.12.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
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**1st Year MA Students | Period II**

**COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 6 ECTS**

Computational Art and Design	3/6 ECTS*
Thinking Practices in Art and Media	4 ECTS

**OPTIONAL MAJOR STUDIES 0-5 ECTS**

Physical Computing	4 ECTS
The 21st Century Art & Science Lab	4 ECTS

**ELECTIVE STUDIES 0-6 ECTS**

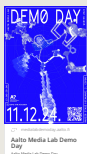
(any elective course)	3-6 ECTS
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**CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD: 9-15 ECTS**

\*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the weighted for this period/total.

Media Lab Demo Day + Exhibitions [week 50] 07.12.-13.12.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Period III [weeks 2-7] 11.1.-21.2.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Workshop/Evaluation III [week 8] 22.-28.2.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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**1st Year MA Students | Period III**

**COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 3 ECTS**

Doing Research in Art & Media	3 ECTS
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**OPTIONAL MAJOR STUDIES 0-6 ECTS**

Embodied Interaction	3/6 ECTS*
Systems of Representation: Culture Lab	3/6 ECTS*
Generative and Interactive Narratives	3/6 ECTS*
Game Tools and Technology	3/6 ECTS*
Critical AI Studies: Beyond the Black Box	3/6 ECTS*
Internet Technologies and Web Development	4 ECTS
Digital Fabrication I	4 ECTS

**ELECTIVE STUDIES 0-3 ECTS**

Workshop Period 2	3 ECTS
(any elective course)	3 ECTS

**CREDITS FOR THIS PERIOD: 6-15 ECTS**

\*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the weighted for this period/total.

Period IV [weeks 9-15] 1.3.-18.4.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
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17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00	17:00-18:00

Workshop/Evaluation IV [week 16] 19.-25.4.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00	09:00-10:00
10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00	10:00-11:00
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The second year of your MA studies is reserved for elective studies and working on your thesis. There is only one compulsory course:  
**AXM-E0004 Art & Media Thesis Seminar**

Consider some of the following options as your elective studies:

- [Minor](#)
- Internship either in [Finland](#) or [abroad](#)
- [Exchange Studies](#)
- New Media courses that did not fit into your optional studies
- Any courses from Aalto

You can use this template to plan out your elective studies.

## Period I [weeks 36-41]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00		SEMINAR Art & Media Thesis Seminar		
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

## Workshop/Evaluation I [week 42]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

2nd Year MA Students   Period I		
<b>COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 9 ECTS</b>		
Art & Media Master's Thesis Seminar	2/6 ECTS*	
<b>ELECTIVE STUDIES 12 ECTS</b>		
Minor Studies or Electives	12 ECTS	
<b>ECTS FOR THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>14 ECTS</b>	
<small>*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the workload for this period/total.</small>		

## Period II [weeks 43-48]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00		SEMINAR Art & Media Thesis Seminar		
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

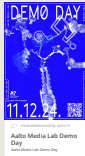
## Workshop/Evaluation II [week 49]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

2nd Year MA Students   Period II		
<b>COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 9 ECTS</b>		
Art & Media Master's Thesis Seminar	2/6 ECTS*	
<b>ELECTIVE STUDIES 12 ECTS</b>		
Minor Studies or Electives	12 ECTS	
<b>ECTS FOR THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>14 ECTS</b>	
<small>*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the workload for this period/total.</small>		

## Media Lab Demo Day + Exhibitions [week 50]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00		LAB DEMO DAY		
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				



## Period III [weeks 2-7]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00		SEMINAR Art & Media Thesis Seminar		
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

## Workshop/Evaluation III [week 8]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

2nd Year MA Students   Period III		
<b>COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 3 ECTS</b>		
Art & Media Master's Thesis Seminar	2/6 ECTS*	
Master's Thesis	10/30 ECTS*	
<b>ECTS FOR THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>12 ECTS</b>	
<small>*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the workload for this period/total.</small>		

## Period IV [weeks 9-15]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

## Workshop/Evaluation IV [week 16]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

2nd Year MA Students   Period IV		
<b>COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 3 ECTS</b>		
Master's Thesis	10/30 ECTS*	
<b>ECTS FOR THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>10 ECTS*</b>	
<small>*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the workload for this period/total.</small>		

## Period V [weeks 17-22]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

## Workshop/Evaluation V [week 23]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00-10:00				
10:00-11:00	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
11:00-12:00				
13:00-14:00				
14:00-15:00				
15:00-16:00				
16:00-17:00				
17:00-18:00				

2nd Year MA Students   Period V		
<b>COMPULSORY MAJOR STUDIES 3 ECTS</b>		
Master's Thesis	10/30 ECTS*	
<b>ECTS FOR THIS PERIOD</b>	<b>10 ECTS*</b>	
<small>*Course is scheduled for multiple periods. The ECTS amount is the workload for this period/total.</small>		

Autumn 2026		
Teaching/evaluation period	Dates	Week numbers
Orientation Week/First evaluation period	24-30 August 2026	35
Period I and workshop/evaluation week	31 Aug - 18 Oct 2026 • no teaching or examinations 1 Sep 2026 after 12 o'clock (Opening ceremony)	36-42
Period II and workshop/evaluation week	19 Oct - 6 Dec 2026	43-49
Second evaluation period	07-13 Dec 2026	50

Spring 2027		
Teaching/evaluation period	Dates	Week numbers
Period III and workshop/evaluation week	11 Jan - 28 Feb 2027	2-8
Period IV and workshop/evaluation week no teaching or examinations 25 - 31 March 2027 (Easter holiday)	01 Mar - 25 Apr 2027	9-16
Period V and workshop/evaluation week	26 Apr - 13 Jun 2027	17-23