CERAMICS SPECIAL STUDENT/POST-BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

The special student or post-baccalaureate ceramics program at LSU is known nationally for providing young ceramic artists further educational opportunities in the field. Special students are young artists who have recently completed a BFA or equivalent from another institution and are in transition to the next phase of their artistic career. These students may attend LSU as non-matriculating graduate students for one academic year. Their function at LSU is vital, as they share their skills and experience from other BFA programs, artist residencies, or technical jobs with the students of LSU while experiencing our ceramics program. The special student program offers a novel, education-based means for students to bridge the gap between undergraduate school and other artistic pursuits. Since its inception, the special student program has supported students from all over the country.

Who Qualifies as a Special Student?
Special students have completed a BFA or equivalent and are in transition into the next phase of their artistic career. Special students are typically looking for space, facilities, and a supportive community to develop a portfolio to apply to graduate school or develop a specific body of work.

Requirements of a Special Student
Special students must participate in one undergraduate advanced ceramics course per semester; commit to one full academic year at LSU (fall and spring semesters), and be self-sufficient in terms of studio use, such as the ability to fire kilns and mix glazes.

What LSU Ceramics Provides for Special Students
The ceramics program at LSU provides special students with a semi-private space (approximately 10' x 10') in the advanced undergraduate studio area. All facilities are available for use including kilns, clay mixers, clay and glaze labs, and all other equipment in the department. Special students may receive one credit hour of university coursework.

Cost
The cost is equivalent of one credit hour—approximately $800 per semester. In addition, a lab fee of approximately $85 per semester is required.

How to Apply
Special student applications are due by April 1. Applicants must submit the following:

- 20 images of recent work
- Resume
- Statement of intent for the time to be spent at LSU
- Names and phone numbers of three references
- Include a self-addressed stamped envelope for return of materials

Send applications to:

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