

Longford Academy – proposed program for 2022

The Longford Academy is looking forward to once again running training courses on building conservation, set in the sublime landscape of the World Heritage-listed Woolmers and Brickendon Estates in Longford, Tasmania. COVID-permitting, we plan two courses for 2022:

- Summer School in Building Conservation: 6–12 February 2022 (inclusive)
- Autumn: Practical Building Conservation: 9–14 May 2022 (inclusive)

Summer School in Building Conservation

The Summer School is a seven-day intensive course on the conservation of traditional buildings. It focuses on the use, properties, deterioration and conservation of stone, brick, mortar, plaster, wood, metals and paints. Topics covered include rising damp, salt attack, repointing of masonry, timber decay and joinery repairs, and the repair and reconstruction of corrugated iron roofs. Theory sessions are supported by inspections on the Brickendon and Woolmers Estates.

The Summer School is intended for all those involved in the care and physical management of buildings, including architects, engineers, archaeologists, planners, site managers, conservators, heritage officers and others who specify or oversee works to heritage buildings, as well as tradespeople and builders who want to extend their understanding of materials and heritage issues.

The School provides the theoretical basis for building conservation practice that is further developed in the Autumn sessions of the Longford Academy where emphasis is placed on practical aspects.

Autumn: Practical Building Conservation

This six-day course introduces participants to the practical aspects of building conservation. Topics covered include documentation of works, dealing with damp and extracting salts, lime-based materials (mortars, plasters and limewashes), diagnosing timber decay and repair needs, roofing and metals. Practical activities are reinforced by theory sessions and discussions.



The Autumn course is for all those involved in building conservation (whether specifiers or those who are hands-on) who want some practical and theoretical exposure to a range of topics that they're likely to come across in their normal work. More relaxed than the intensive Summer School, the Autumn course provides a good introduction to anyone wanting to learn about looking after older buildings.

Costs

Details of costs will be provided in advance of each course. Registration fees are charged to cover program development and delivery costs, lunches and morning and afternoon teas. Travel and accommodation costs are not included. Full refunds of registration fees will be available should government-imposed COVID-19 lockdowns prevent attendance or running of these courses.

Funding support

Tasmanian builders and tradespeople may be eligible for support from Keystone Tasmania (formerly the Tasmanian Building and Construction Industry Training Board) who have supported previous Longford Academy programs. Contact them on: 03 6223 7804 or email@keystone.com.au.

Continuing Professional Development

CPD points may be available for credit through your registration body or industry association.

Accommodation

LA is grateful to Woolmers and Brickendon Estates for their ongoing support of our programs and, in return, we encourage participants to use their on-site accommodation. LA staff stay at the properties and are always very comfortable. Additional accommodation is available in Longford and surrounding district. Accommodation costs are the responsibility of participants.

Transport

Launceston Airport is twenty minutes away. Pre-COVID Jetstar and Virgin flew direct to/from Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane. Qantas flew direct to/from Melbourne. Hire cars are available at Launceston Airport. Participants are encouraged to share cars.

Enquiries

For all enquiries and to express interest in these courses please email: info@longfordacademy.org.au

