Art, Art History, and Visual Studies

The studio art program offers classes in six disciplines: digital arts, drawing, painting, photography, sculpture, and video.

Requirements for the Major in Art

The major requires successful completion of the following:

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Course Requirements

Select two courses in art at the 100-level 8
Select two courses in art at the 300-level 8
Select three additional courses in art (ART) 12
Select one course in art history (ARTH) 4
ART 420 Seminar in Creativity 4
ART 430 Senior Seminar 4

Total Semester Hours 40

Additional Requirements

A comprehensive examination

1 The comprehensive examination for studio art majors includes the following: preparation and presentation of a portfolio produced over the course of at least one year, participation in a senior exhibition along with the submission of an artist’s statement, writing a thesis paper, undergoing a private defense of the portfolio and thesis, and giving a public presentation with response to questions from the audience. The comprehensive examination result is based on passing all of these components.

Honors

Students with a department GPA of at least 3.20 by the end of their junior year are eligible to apply for department honors. To apply for honors, a student must submit a proposal for a thesis project by the designated date during the first semester of their senior year. Those students whose proposals have been approved will, in addition to fulfilling the comprehensive exam requirements, assemble a solo exhibition along with the submission of an artist’s statement, write an extended thesis paper, undergo a private defense of the exhibition and thesis, and give a public presentation with response to questions from the audience. Final determination of honors is based on the quality of all of these components.