# Degree Programs Bachelor of Fine Arts

# **Degree Requirements**

Candidates for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree will meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 138 semester hours; 42 hours must be advanced; 24 advanced hours must be completed at UNT.

2. Major of at least 63 hours of art in a prescribed field; 36 hours must be completed at UNT.

3. Minor of a minimum of 18 hours (including at least 6 advanced) from a field outside the School of Visual Arts. Minors are chosen with faculty advisers for selected majors. For some majors, the minor is specified.

4. Completion of the requirements for the bachelor's degree listed in the Academics section of this catalog, including University Core Curriculum requirements outlined in this section. Two hours (maximum) of wellness courses will count toward the degree.

5. A 2.5 grade point average must be maintained in all art courses; only a grade of C or better in art courses will count toward degree requirements; teacher certification program for visual arts studies majors requires a 2.75 GPA.

6. Transfer course work substituted for required UNT art courses must be approved by a student's faculty adviser during the degree plan process.

## Major in Photography

Following is one suggested four-year degree plan. Students are encouraged to see an adviser each semester for help with program decisions and enrollment.

BFA with a Major in Photography FRESHMAN YEAR FRESHMAN YEAR FALL HOURS SPRING HOURS ART 1200, Art Appreciation 3 ART 1450, Design II 3 ART 1510, Drawing II ART 1440, Design I ART 1500, Drawing I 3 ENGL 1320, College Writing II 3 MATH 1100, College Algebra ENGL 1310, College Writing I PSCI 1040, American Government 3 PSCI 1050, American Government 15 Total Wellness<sup>5</sup> Total 17-18 SOPHOMORE YEAR SOPHOMORE YEAR HOURS FALL SPRING HOURS ART 2100, Figure Drawing I ART 2655, Black and White Photography II 3 ART 2350, Art History Survey I<sup>2</sup> 3 ART 2360, Art History Survey II<sup>3</sup> ART 2650, Black and White Photography I 3 ECON 1110, Principles of Macroeconomics ENGL 2220, World Literature II ENGL 2210, World Literature I 3 <u>3</u> 15 Minor Free Elective or Computer Competence Total Requirement<sup>6</sup> Minor Total SOPHOMORE YEAR SOPHOMORE YEAR SUMMER I HOURS SUMMER II HOURS ART 3900, Printmaking: Etching, ART 2300, Beginning Painting, or ART 3920, Printmaking: Screen Printing ART 2310, Beginning Painting ART 3950, Lithography, or ART 3970, HIST 2620, United States History Since 1865<sup>31</sup> 3 Relief Print and Monotype<sup>21</sup> 3 Total HIST 2610, United States History to 1865<sup>31</sup> 3 6 Total JUNIOR YEAR JUNIOR YEAR HOURS HOURS FALL SPRING ART 3170, Computers in Art 3 ART 4806, Photography Studio ART 3600, Color Photography 3 ART 4600, Alternate Photographic Processes 3 Free Elective or Oral Communication ART 2750, Sculpture I Laboratory Science<sup>9</sup> 3-4 Requirement<sup>7</sup> Laboratory Science<sup>9</sup> Minor 3 15-16 Total Minor Total 15-16 SENIOR YEAR SENIOR YEAR HOURS SPRING HOURS FALL ART 4172, Photography: Digital ART 4806, Photography Studio 3 Photoimaging Art History (advanced) Art History (advanced) Free Elective (advanced)<sup>30</sup> 3 Free Elective (advanced)<sup>20</sup> 3 Free Elective (3 hours advanced) Minor (advanced) 3 Minor (advanced) Understanding of Ideas and Values9 3 Total 14-16 15 Total

Actual degree plans may vary depending on availability of courses in a given semester. Some courses may require prerequisites not listed. See Visual Arts folding key (#6) for footnotes.

Summary of Degree Requirements:		Note:
Art:	63	36 h
Minor (6 advanced):	18	42 h
Core:		2
English	12	To r
History	6	e
Political Science	6	24 o
Wellness	2	U
Economics	3	
Mathematics	3	
Laboratory Science	6-8	
Understanding of Ideas and Values	3	
Free Electives (9 hours advanced):	14-16	

# hours of art must be taken at UNT. hours must be advanced; 24 of the 42 hours must be taken at UNT. reach 42 advanced hours, 9 hours of free electives must be advanced. of the last 30 hours must be completed at UNT.

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## Supplemental Information for BFA with a Major in Photography

# Portfolio Reviews for Photography Majors

Students will be expected to develop the following minimum competencies before completion of a degree in photography:

- technical competence in both black and white, and color photography practices.
- awareness of photography as an art medium in historical and contemporary context.
- development of sound art concepts into a portfolio of creative work.

#### **Mid-Point Review**

After completion of ART 3600, Color Photography, students will participate in a review process comprised of:

- a written examination covering technical and aesthetic information from basic courses in art and photography; and
- presentation of a portfolio of work for review by a panel of faculty; work should evidence skill in:
  - black and white negative processing,
  - black and white printmaking,
  - color printmaking,
  - professional print presentation, and
  - development of sound art concepts.

Students must pass the exam and portfolio review before they are allowed to enroll in photography courses beyond ART 3600.

Students who do not pass the review may resubmit work the following semester; before the second review those students may be asked to repeat a course that the faculty feels would be beneficial. Failure to pass the review after three attemps indicates low potential for success and will automatically eliminate the student from the photography program.

#### **Transfer Credits**

Transfer students must submit work for review when they are counseled preceding their initial registration at UNT.

#### Senior Exit Review

A senior exit review is required of all seniors in the School of Visual Arts prior to graduation in order to establish that basic competencies in the major are met. For photography majors, this review occurs in the last ART 4806 course the student is required to take before graduation. Graduating seniors should identify themselves to their instructor during the first week of class. Reviews are not conducted during summer sessions; students should not take their final ART 4806 at this time.

The exit review includes a creative portfolio of images which should be prepared as a one-person exhibition. If the show is not actually hung, the portfolio will be presented to the photography faculty for review. Students will submit the following for the senior exit review:

- portfolio of 15 related images prepared for exhibition.
- written artist's statement.
- 10 quality slides of the student's work.

Students who do not pass the review will receive a grade of "Incomplete" for ART 4806 and will be barred from graduation until deficiencies are corrected.

#### Results

Record of success in passing each review will be furnished to the student and recorded for the School of Visual Arts.

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