

Department of Art Education and Art History

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Introduction

The Department of Art Education and Art History offers the BA degree with majors in art history and interdisciplinary art and design studies, and the BFA degree with a major in visual arts studies. The MA degree is offered with majors in art history and art education. The PhD is offered with a major in art education. Students interested in these degrees may contact the department chair.

Mission/Vision Statement

The mission of the Department of Art Education and Art History in the College of Visual Arts and Design is to enhance students' understanding of contemporary and past visual art forms. The department is committed to excellence in teaching and research. Within and between its comprehensive degree-granting programs, the department provides students and faculty with the opportunity to examine global artistic production, relevant technologies, critical methods, learning theories, and innovative approaches to pedagogy and knowledge acquisition.

Programs of Study

The department offers undergraduate programs in the following areas:

- Bachelor of Arts with majors in art history and in interdisciplinary art and design studies;
- Bachelor of Fine Arts with a major in visual arts studies;
- Master of Arts with majors in art education and art history; and
- Doctor of Philosophy with a major in art education.

The department also offers a graduate academic certificates in art museum education and arts leadership.

Entering Students

Entering students interested in majoring in the College of Visual Arts and Design will be classified as pre-majors.

Art History

To be admitted to the art history major (and to be eligible to enroll in advanced art courses), a pre-major must meet all the following requirements:

- Complete a minimum of 30 hours of college courses (including the following) and;
 - a. complete ART 1200, ART 2350 and ART 2360 with a grade of C or better;
 - b. complete the Art History Entrance Event;
 - c. have at least a 2.5 GPA on required ART courses; and
 - d. have a minimum 2.0 UNT grade point average.

Interdisciplinary Art and Design Studies

To be admitted to the interdisciplinary art and design studies major (and to be eligible to enroll in advanced art courses), a pre-major must meet all the following requirements:

- Complete a minimum of 30 hours of college courses (including the following) and:
 - a. complete ART 1200, ART 1440, ART 1450, ART 1500 and ART 1510; ART 2350 and 2360 with a grade of C or better;
 - b. have at least a 2.5 GPA on required ART courses; and
 - c. have a minimum 2.0 UNT grade point average.

Visual Arts Studies

To be admitted to the visual arts studies major (and to be eligible to enroll in advanced art courses), a pre-major must meet all the following requirements:

- Complete a minimum of 60 hours of college courses (including the following) and:

- a. complete ART 1200, ART 1440, ART 1450, ART 1500, ART 1510, ART 2350 and ART 2360; ASTU 2200 and ASTU 2350; ASTU 2050, ASTU 2150, or ASTU 2130; AEAH 3770; AEAH 3753 with a grade of C or better;
- b. successfully complete portfolio review while enrolled in AEAH 3753;
- c. have at least a 2.75 GPA; and
- d. passing scores on TASP/THEA, or appropriate exemption.

Bachelor of Arts with Majors in Art History and in Interdisciplinary Art and Design Studies

General Degree Requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts with a major in art history or interdisciplinary art and design studies must meet the following requirements.

1. **Hours Required and General/College Requirements:** A minimum of 120 total semester hours, 42 of which must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree as specified in the “General University Requirements” in the Academics section of this catalog and the College of Visual Arts and Design requirements.
2. **Major Requirements:** Completion of at least 48 hours of art to include ART 1200, ART 2350, and ART 2360; plus the following courses, according to major:

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AEAH 4800 and AEAH 4848; 3 hours of art history from each of the following four categories: Category 1 (AEAH 4802, AEAH 4803, AEAH 4804, AEAH 4805, AEAH 4820 or AEAH 4821), Category 2 (AEAH 4806, AEAH 4807, AEAH 4808 or AEAH 4809), Category 3 (AEAH 4810, AEAH 4811, AEAH 4812, AEAH 4813, AEAH 4816 or AEAH 4817), Category 4 (AEAH 4818, AEAH 4819, AEAH 4822, AEAH 4823, AEAH 4824 or AEAH 4825); 9 additional advanced hours of art history; 6 hours of studio art; 6 hours of art elective; foreign language (preferably French or German) through the sophomore year (2040-2050). With approval from a student’s art history mentor, AEAH 4801 may be taken for a category requirement, provided the topic fits within the category being substituted.

As well as those cited above, advanced art history courses include the following: AEAH 4814, Theories of Contemporary Art; AEAH 4815, Twentieth-Century Architecture and Interiors; AEAH 4842, History of Communication Design; AEAH 4843, History of Photography; AEAH 4844, History of Prints; and AEAH 4940, Understanding Art Museums.

Interdisciplinary Art and Design Studies (IADS) CVAD Core and IADS Capstone: ART 1200, ART 1440, ART 1450, ART 1500, ART 1510, ART 2350, ART 2360; AEAH 4899.

Menu 1: 6 hours from ARCH 2500, ANTH 2100, or any 1000- or 2000-level ART, ADES, or ASTU course.

Menu 2: 12 hours (with at least 9 hours outside of the College of Visual Arts and Design) from ANTH 3100 (may be repeated as topics vary), ARCH 3650, ARCH 4620 (with IADS program coordinator consent, may be repeated as topics vary), ART 3170, AEAH 3750, AEAH 4940, SMHM 3350; SMHM 3355; SMHM 3370; PHIL 3100, COMM 3120, COMM 4260, COMM 4460, THEA 3070, JOUR 3020, JOUR 3700, JOUR 4250, SOCI 4600, GEOG 4050, GEOG 4500 and GEOG 4060. **Note:** many external courses have prerequisites and/or are only open to students minoring in those disciplines. Consult the current *Undergraduate Catalog* for more information.

Menu 3: 12 hours advanced art history with 3 hours from Art History Category I courses (AEAH 4802, AEAH 4803, AEAH 4804 and AEAH 4805; AEAH 4801 with faculty approval), 3 hours from Art History Category II courses (AEAH 4806, AEAH 4807, AEAH 4808 and AEAH 4809; AEAH 4801 with faculty approval) 3 hours from Art History Category III courses (AEAH 4810, AEAH 4811, AEAH 4812 and AEAH 4813; AEAH 4801 with faculty approval), and 3 hours from Art History Category IV courses (AEAH 4818, AEAH 4819, AEAH 4820, AEAH 4821, AEAH 4822, AEAH 4823, AEAH 4824 and AEAH 4825; AEAH 4801 with faculty approval).

3. **Other Course Requirements:** none.

4. **Minor Requirements:**

Art History – A minimum of 18 hours, of which 6 must be advanced, from a field outside the College of Visual Arts and Design. The art history faculty strongly recommends that students minor in French or German because most graduate schools require knowledge of these languages.

Interdisciplinary Art and Design Studies – Students must pursue a minor outside of the College of Visual Arts and Design. The following minors are strongly recommended: archaeology, advertising, anthropology, communications, journalism, language, history (including area studies minors) and sociology.

5. **Electives:** Hours required for electives may vary based on course selection and the University Core Curriculum Requirements. Electives may be required to satisfy the advanced hour requirement (42) and/or the minimum total hours required for the degree. For specific information see an academic

advisor in the College of Visual Arts and Design Student Services Office, Art Building, Room 111.

6. **Other Requirements:**

- 24 advanced hours must be completed at UNT.
- 18 hours of art (including 12 advanced) must be completed at UNT.
- Transfer course work to be substituted for required art courses must be approved by a student's faculty advisor during the degree audit process.
- A 2.5 grade point average must be maintained in all art courses; only grades of C or better in art courses will count toward degree requirements.

Bachelor of Fine Arts with a Major in Visual Arts Studies

General Degree Requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with a major in visual arts studies must meet the following requirements.

1. **Hours Required and General/College Requirements:**

A minimum of 123 total semester hours of which 42 must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree as specified in the "General University Requirements" in the Academics section of this catalog and the College of Visual Arts and Design requirements.

2. **Major Requirements:** Completion of at least 66 hours of art and 21 hours of professional development to include: ART 1200, ART 1440, ART 1450, ART 1500, ART 1510, ART 2350 and ART 2360; ASTU 2200, ASTU 2210 or ASTU 2417, ASTU 2300, ASTU 2350; 3 hours from ASTU 2050, ASTU 2130, ASTU 2150; AEAH 3753, AEAH 3770, AEAH 4760, AEAH 4770 or AEAH 4790; 9 advanced hours of art history; 3 advanced hours of art electives; and 3 hours of art electives. In addition to the above courses, AEAH 4750 and AEAH 4780 must be taken as part of the professional development sequence. The major in visual arts studies prepares students to teach art in public schools. Students must meet state certification requirements and all general requirements specified by the College of Education.

Teacher certification requirements were under review by the State Board for Educator Certification at the time this catalog went to press. Contact the Department of Teacher Education and Administration for current information.

3. **Other Course Requirements:** For a list of required education courses, see an academic advisor in the College of Visual Arts and Design Student Services Office (Art Building, Room 111) or the College of Education Student Advising Office (Matthews Hall, Room 105).

4. **Minor Requirements:** No minor is required.

5. **Electives:** Hours required for electives may vary based on course selection and the University Core Curriculum Requirements. Electives may be required to satisfy the advanced hour requirement (42) and/or the minimum total hours required for the degree. For specific information see an academic advisor in the College of Visual Arts and Design Student Services Office, Art Building, Room 111.

6. **Other Requirements:**

- 24 advanced hours must be completed at UNT.
- 36 hours of art (including at least 12 advanced hours) must be completed at UNT.
- Transfer course work substituted for required UNT art courses must be approved by a student's faculty advisor during the degree audit process.
- A 2.5 grade point average must be maintained in all art courses; only grades of C (2.0) or better in art courses will count toward degree requirements; teacher certification program for visual arts studies majors requires a 2.75 cumulative GPA on all UNT and transfer work.

Minor in Art History

A minor in art consists of at least 18 hours, including at least 6 advanced hours. At least 9 hours must be completed at UNT. A minor in art history requires the following course sequence:

ART 1200, ART 2350 and ART 2360; 9 hours of 3000- or 4000-level art history.

Graduate Degrees

The department offers degree programs leading to the Master of Arts with majors in art education and art history and the Doctor of Philosophy with a major in art education. For complete information, consult the *Graduate Catalog*.

Courses of Instruction

All Courses of Instruction are located in one section at the back of this catalog.

Course and Subject Guide

The "Course and Subject Guide," found in the Courses of Instruction section of this book, serves as a table of contents and provides quick access to subject areas and prefixes.