

ART

College of Liberal Arts
Department of Art
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BA, BFA Degrees

Minimum Requirements for Degrees: BA: 130 credits;
BFA: 130 credits

The art program encourages independent, original and creative thinking while recognizing the role and responsibility of the fine arts within the humanities.

The BFA degree is professionally oriented and designed to prepare students for careers in art. It is the usual prerequisite for graduate studies in art. Admission requires a portfolio review by the art faculty, generally done in the student's junior year. Enrollment in the BFA program is recommended only for students who are willing to make the considerable commitment of time and energy necessary to achieve professional competence in their major areas. Career opportunities for BFA graduates include artist, designer, arts administrator, art teacher, gallery and museum administrator, and computer-related fields.

Major — BA Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 131).
 2. Complete the BA degree requirements (page 135).
 3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
 - a. Complete the following:
 - ART F105—Beginning Drawing.....3
 - ART F205—Intermediate Drawing.....3
 - ART F211—Beginning Sculpture.....3
 - ART F213—Beginning Painting (Acrylic or Oil).....3
 - ART F261 and F262—History of World Art.....6
 - b. Complete two of the following:
 - ART F161—Two-Dimensional Design.....3
 - ART F162—Color and Design.....3
 - ART F163—Three-Dimensional Design.....3
 - c. Complete one of the following electives:
 - ART F201—Beginning Ceramics.....3
 - ART F207—Beginning Printmaking.....3
 - ART F209—Beginning Metalsmithing and Jewelry.....3
 - ART F268—Beginning Native Art Studio.....3
 - ART F371O—Digital Photography and Pixel Painting.....3
 - d. Complete three upper-division courses from one of these areas:
 - Ceramics.....9
 - Computer Art.....9
 - Drawing.....9
 - Metalsmithing.....9
 - Native Studio Art.....9
 - Painting.....9
 - Printmaking.....9
 - Sculpture.....9
 - e. Upper-division art history.....3
 4. Minimum art credits required for major.....39
 5. Minimum credits required.....130
- * Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.
Note: Transfer students who are candidates for the BA degree or a BFA in art must complete a minimum of 18 credits in art while in residence.

Major — BFA Degree

Concentrations: Ceramics, Computer Art, Drawing, Metalsmithing, Native Studio Art, Painting, Printmaking, Sculpture

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 131).
 2. Complete the BFA degree requirements (page 137).
 3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
 - a. Complete the following:
 - ART F105—Beginning Drawing.....3
 - ART F205—Intermediate Drawing.....3
 - ART F211—Beginning Sculpture.....3
 - ART F213—Beginning Painting (Acrylic or Oil).....3
 - ART F261 and F262—History of World Art.....6
 - b. Complete two of the following:
 - ART F161—Two-Dimensional Design.....3
 - ART F162—Color and Design.....3
 - ART F163—Three-Dimensional Design.....3
 - c. Complete one of the following:
 - ART F201—Beginning Ceramics.....3
 - ART F207—Beginning Printmaking.....3
 - ART F209—Beginning Metalsmithing and Jewelry.....3
 - ART F268—Beginning Native Art Studio.....3
 - ART F371O—Digital Photography and Pixel Painting.....3
 - d. Complete the following:
 - Upper-division art history**.....9
 - Major program approved by BFA thesis committee***.....30
 - Upper-division art electives.....6
 - Thesis project.....3
 4. Minimum credits required.....130
- * Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.
** Any upper-division art history class (ART F360, F363W, F364W, F365, F366, F367), ANTH/ART F402, ART F425W, F463, F490, F493, HUM F332 or HUM F469W may apply toward this requirement.
*** Major program must include at least two, and no more than three, studio areas. Minimum requirement for the first area is 15 upper-division credits. Minimum requirement for the second area is 9 upper-division credits.
Note: A non-art minor is not required for this degree.
Note: Transfer students who are candidates for the BA degree or a BFA in art must complete a minimum of 18 credits in art while in residence.
Note: All studio areas in the department are eligible for fulfillment of specialization requirements: ceramics, computer art, metalsmithing, Native art, painting, drawing, printmaking and sculpture.
- ### Minor
1. Complete the following:*
 - ART F105—Beginning Drawing.....3
 - ART F262—History of World Art.....3
 - ART F365—Native Art of Alaska.....3
 2. Complete one of the following:*
 - ART F161—Two-Dimensional Design.....3
 - ART F162—Color and Design.....3
 - ART F163—Three-Dimensional Design.....3
 3. Complete one of the following:*
 - ART F201—Beginning Ceramics.....3
 - ART F211—Beginning Sculpture.....3
 - ART F268—Beginning Native Art Studio.....3
 4. Complete one of the following:*
 - ART F207—Beginning Printmaking.....3
 - ART F209—Beginning Metalsmithing and Jewelry.....3
 - ART F213—Beginning Painting (Acrylic or Oil).....3
 - ART F371O—Digital Photography and Pixel Painting.....3
 5. Minimum credits required.....18
- * Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.
Note: A minor in art for the BA or BS degree is available only to non-art majors.

Baccalaureate Core Requirements

Communication 9 Credits

- ENGL F111X—Introduction to Academic Writing.....(3)
ENGL F190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

- ENGL F211X—Academic Writing about Literature.....(3)
- ENGL F213X—Academic Writing about the Social and Natural Sciences.....(3)

Complete one of the following:

- COMM F131X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Group Context.....(3)
- COMM F141X—Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Public Context.....(3)

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Perspectives on the Human Condition 18 Credits

Complete all of the following four courses:

- ANTH F100X/SOC F100X—Individual, Society and Culture.....(3)
- ECON F100X or PS F100X—Political Economy.....(3)
- HIST F100X—Modern World History.....(3)
- ENGL/FL F200X—World Literature.....(3)

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Complete one of the following three courses:

- ART/MUS/THR F200X—Aesthetic Appreciation: Interrelationship of Art, Drama and Music.....(3)
- HUM F201X—Unity in the Arts.....(3)
- ANS F202X—Aesthetic Appreciation of Alaskan Native Performance.....(3)

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Complete one of the following six courses:

- BA F323X—Business Ethics.....(3)
- COMM F300X—Communicating Ethics.....(3)
- JUST F300X—Ethics and Justice.....(3)
- NRM F303X—Environmental Ethics and Actions.....(3)
- PS F300X—Ethics and Society.....(3)
- PHIL F322X—Ethics.....(3)

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Or complete 12 credits from the above courses plus one of the following:

- Two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language
- Three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

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Mathematics 3 Credits

Complete one of the following:

- MATH F103X—Concepts and Contemporary Applications of Mathematics.....(3)
 - MATH F107X—Functions for Calculus*.....(4)
 - MATH F161X—Algebra for Business and Economics**.....(3)
 - STAT F200X—Elementary Probability and Statistics.....(3)
- * No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH F107X or F161X.

Or complete one of the following:*

- MATH F200X—Calculus I**.....(4)
- MATH F201X—Calculus II.....(4)
- MATH F202X—Calculus III.....(4)
- MATH F262X—Calculus for Business and Economics.....(4)
- MATH F272X—Calculus for Life Sciences.....(4)

* Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

** No credit may be earned for more than one of Math F200X, F262X or F272.

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Natural Sciences 8 Credits

Complete any two (4-credit) courses.

- ATM F101X—Weather and Climate of Alaska.....(4)
- BIOL F100X—Human Biology.....(4)
- BIOL F101X—Biology of Sex.....(4)
- BIOL F103X—Biology and Society.....(4)
- BIOL F104X—Natural History.....(4)
- BIOL F115X—Fundamentals of Biology I.....(4)
- BIOL F116X—Fundamentals of Biology II.....(4)
- BIOL F120X—Introduction to Human Nutrition.....(4)
- BIOL F213X—Human Anatomy and Physiology I.....(4)
- BIOL F214X—Human Anatomy and Physiology II.....(4)
- CHEM F100X—Chemistry in Complex Systems.....(4)
- CHEM F103X—Basic General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F104X—Beginnings in Biochemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F105X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- CHEM F106X—General Chemistry.....(4)
- GEOG F111X—Earth and Environment: Elements of Physical Geography.....(4)
- GEOS F100X—Introduction to Earth Science.....(4)
- GEOS F101X—The Dynamic Earth.....(4)
- GEOS F106X—Life and the Age of Dinosaurs.....(4)
- GEOS F112X—History of Earth and Life.....(4)
- GEOS F120X—Glaciers, Earthquakes and Volcanoes.....(4)
- GEOS F125X—Humans, Earth and Environment.....(4)
- MSL F111X—The Oceans.....(4)
- PHYS F102X—Energy and Society.....(4)
- PHYS F103X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F104X—College Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F115X—Physical Science I.....(4)
- PHYS F175X—Astronomy.....(4)
- PHYS F211X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F212X—General Physics.....(4)
- PHYS F213X—Elementary Modern Physics.....(4)

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Library and Information Research 0 – 1 Credit

- Successful completion of library skills competency test or LS F100X or LS F101X prior to junior standing

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Upper-Division Writing and Oral Communication

Complete the following at the upper-division level:

- Two writing intensive courses designated (W) and one oral communication intensive course designated (O), or two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2) (see degree and/or major requirements)

Total credits required 38 – 39

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.

Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course used toward the baccalaureate core.