



DEPARTMENT OF ART

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE-ART DEGREE – SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN OF STUDY

The Bachelor of Science in Art Degree is one of the more flexible programs in the UW-Madison system. It is an ideal choice for students who wish to prepare for a career in the arts while still devoting a significant number of credit hours to a secondary area of interest, such as creative writing, language studies, pre-med coursework, etc. Some add a certificate or second major to this degree. The possibilities are virtually endless. See your advisor to explore options!

To meet the requirements of this program, students complete a minimum of 45 art studio credits, which includes foundations, breadth, and elective studio courses. Students who desire more advanced study in art but don't want to pursue the BFA degree can apply up to an additional 13 studio credits towards this studio total. Students also complete 12-14 credits of required Aesthetics (*art history and theory*).

In addition to studio and aesthetics, students in the BS-Art program complete credits in non-studio, general education and liberal studies categories, reaching a minimum of 40 credits. An additional 22 credits of non-studio coursework (*which may or may not fall in the liberal studies category*) is also required, for a minimum total of 62 credits. Credits taken in secondary areas of interest complete this requirement. Note that aesthetic credits will count toward the additional 22 credits of non-studio.

Students will also need to select additional credits (of any type) to reach the overall minimum requirement of 120 degree credits. The number needed will vary, depending on how the student structures their individual program.

IMPORTANT: See following worksheet for detailed requirements.

An average of 15 credits per semester is necessary to reach the 120 credit requirement in four years.

FALL SEMESTERS

SPRING SEMESTERS

FIRST YEAR - BS ART

Foundations Program*

- *Art 102-2D Design, 3 cr
- *Art 108-Foundations of Contemporary Art, 3 cr (Aes)
- *Art 212-Drawing Concepts & Methods, 3 cr
- Art 508-Colloquium in Art, 1 cr
- Gen Ed/Liberal Studies, 1-2 courses, 3-6 cr

Recommended Credit Totals: 13-16 credits

Foundations Program*

- *Art 104-Three Dimensional Design, 3 cr
- *Art 107-Intro to Digital Forms, 3 cr
- *Art 208-Current Directions in Art, 3 cr (Aes)
- Art 508-Colloquium in Art, 1 cr
- Gen Ed/Liberal Studies, 2 courses, 5-7 cr

Recommended Credit Totals: 15-16 credits

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FALL SEMESTER

SPRING SEMESTER

SECOND YEAR – BS-ART

Aesthetic elective, 4 cr
Required studio breadth electives, 4-8 cr
(1-2 studio course(s) from 2D, 3D, 4D or GR categories)
Art 508-Colloquium in Art, 1 cr
Gen Ed/Liberal Studies, 1-3 courses, 3-9 cr

Aesthetic elective, 4 cr
Required studio breadth electives, 4-8 cr
(1-2 studio course(s) from 2D, 3D, 4D or GR categories)
IDEAL SEMESTER TO STUDY ABROAD, IF DESIRED
Gen Ed/Liberal Studies, 1-3 courses, 3-9 cr

Recommended Credit Totals: 14-16 credits

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THIRD YEAR – BS-ART

Remaining studio breadth electives, 4-8 cr
(1-2 course(s) from 2D, 3D, 4D or GR categories)
Studio course Electives, 4-12 credits
1-3 studio course(s)-beginning, intermediate or advanced level
Gen Ed/LS/Non-Studio, 2-3 courses, 6-10 cr

Remaining studio breadth electives, 4-8 cr
(1-2 course(s) from 2D, 3D, 4D or GR categories)
Studio course Electives, 4-12 cr
1-3 studio course(s)-beginning, intermediate or advanced level
Gen Ed/LS/Non-studio, 2-3 courses, 6-10 cr

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FOURTH YEAR – BS-ART

Studio Course Electives, 4-12 credits
1-3 studio courses, beginning, intermediate or advanced level
Gen Ed/LS/Non-Studio, 1-4 courses, 3-10 credits

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1-3 studio courses, at least one must be at advanced level
Gen Ed/LS/Non-Studio, 1-4 courses, 3-10 credits

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Summary of Credit Requirements for Bachelor of Science in Art Degree Program:

45 studio credits minimum (includes required and elective studios)
62 non-studio credits minimum (40 of which must be general ed or liberal studies, Aesthetics count as non-studio)
13 additional credits in any category, including studio.
= 120 credits minimum

Minimum Cumulative GPA: 2.50
Minimum Major GPA: 2.50