STUDIO ART, BA

The Bachelor of Arts degree (BA) in Studio Art offers an expansive educational experience and is designed to allow the greatest flexibility in customizing the degree program to meet individual goals and interests.

Studio art majors develop their intellect, perception, and creativity while engaged in the visual arts within the context of a universitywide undergraduate liberal arts curriculum. Studio art programs provide education and training for those wishing to become professional visual artists and designers, or to work in arts-related fields. While the objectives of study are not primarily vocational, students will acquire knowledge and skills that may lead to employment in arts-related fields such as teaching, design, communication arts, art therapy, gallery work, or museum administration. After completing a series of foundation courses, students are able to focus their coursework in one of seven media areas: ceramics, digital media (graphic design/digital arts/animation), drawing, painting, photography, printmaking, or sculpture.

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