

Art

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Mission Statement: The Department of Art inspires and prepares students to excel in a variety of art professions and engage in a life-long appreciation of the visual arts.

The Department of Art offers a broad undergraduate curriculum leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts. The Bachelor of Arts is a generalist's approach to art or art history in the spirit of a broad-based liberal arts education. The Bachelor of Fine Arts emphasizes specialized pathways in various media, starting with a sequence of foundational courses and proceeding through an increasingly concentrated path of study at the advanced levels. All bachelor's degrees in the practice of art emphasize the integration of conceptual innovation and technical refinement.

The Department of Art offers these degrees and concentrations:

- Bachelor of Arts in Art with concentrations in Art History or Studio Art
- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Photography with concentrations in Commercial Photography or Fine Art Photography
- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art with concentrations in All-Level Teaching Certification, Ceramics, Experimental Studies, Painting, and Sculpture
- Bachelor of Fine Arts in Visual Communication with concentration areas in Art Direction, Design, and New Media.

The facilities of the Department of Art meet federal, state and local safety guidelines and support all areas of the art curriculum. Studios on the Commerce campus provide instructional and working areas for photography, studio art, art history and teacher education. Advanced courses in Visual Communication are taught in downtown Dallas, where students benefit from the city's dynamic advertising and design communities.

The Department of Art is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) and, by virtue of its standing as an academic division at Texas A&M University-Commerce, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

Transfer of Art Credits from Other Institutions

Students wishing to transfer visual art credits to A&M-Commerce must have their official transcripts evaluated by the Office of Admissions and the Department of Art. Courses taken at other institutions that have no exact equivalents at A&M-Commerce may still be transferable by a portfolio review in the Department of Art or consent of an art advisor. Transfer courses counted towards a major at A&M-Commerce must have a grade of "C" or higher. Students intending to transfer credits from an institution with an articulation agreement with A&M-Commerce will follow the prescribed courses in that agreement.

1. Degree requirements for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Fine Arts, and
2. Core Curriculum Requirements (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/core-curriculum-requirements/>) (refer to those sections of this catalog).

In addition, majors must earn a grade of "C" or better in all Art and Photography courses counted towards graduation requirements.

Academic Requirements and Standards

Students seeking a bachelor's degree in the Department of Art must complete:

1. Core Curriculum Requirements (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/core-curriculum-requirements/>) (refer to those sections of this catalog).
2. Degree requirements for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Fine Arts, and
3. Grades of C or better in each art and photography course counted towards graduation.

The Department of Art reserves the right to discontinue or deny enrollment of art majors at any time when satisfactory academic progress is not achieved. Students who have accumulated three unsatisfactory grades (U, D or F) in studio art or visual communication courses at A&M-Commerce or other institutions may not be permitted to continue, be readmitted, or graduate with a degree in art. Courses with grades of D or F may be repeated for a grade of C or higher only once.

Teacher Certification Programs

Students seeking a bachelor's degree in a teacher education program must complete:

1. degree requirements for a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Studio Art degree with a Concentration in All-Level Teaching Certification (refer to the bachelor's degree requirements section of this catalog),
2. Core Curriculum Requirements (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/core-curriculum-requirements/>) (refer to that section of this catalog),
3. requirements for admission to and retention in the Teacher Education Program (refer to the information on Educator Certification and Academic Services in this catalog), and
4. professional development courses (refer to the appropriate departmental section in this catalog, i.e. Department of Curriculum & Instruction).

In addition, courses in the major must be completed.

BA in Art - Concentration in Art History (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/ba-art-emphasis-art-history/>)

BA in Art - Concentration in Studio Art (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/art-ba/>)

Art Minor (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/art-minor/>)

BFA in Photography - Concentration in Commercial Photography (http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa_photo_commerical/)

BFA in Photography - Concentration in Fine Art Photography (http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa_photo_studio_art/)

Photography Minor (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/photography-minor/>)

BFA in Studio Art - Concentration in All-Level Certification (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-studio-art-with-all-level-certification/>)

BFA in Studio Art - Concentration in Ceramics (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-studio-art-emphasis-ceramics/>)

BFA in Studio Art - Concentration in Experimental Studies (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-studio-art-emphasis-experimental-studies/>)

BFA in Studio Art - Concentration in Painting (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-studio-art-emphasis-painting/>)

BFA in Studio Art - Concentration in Sculpture (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-studio-art-emphasis-sculpture/>)

BFA in Visual Communication - Concentration in Art Direction (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-visual-communication-emphasis-art-direction/>)

BFA in Visual Communication - Concentration in Design (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-visual-communication-emphasis-design/>)

BFA in Visual Communication - Concentration in New Media (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/colleges-and-departments/humanities-social-sciences-arts/art/bfa-visual-communication-emphasis-new-media/>)