

Art Major (B.F.A.)

Major Requirements

Degree Type: B.F.A. Art
Minimum Credits Required: 120

University Degree Requirements

For complete details on these and other university degree requirements, refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section in the University Catalog.

1. Minimum of 120 semester credits (some programs may exceed this minimum).
2. Complete the University General Education requirements.
3. Minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
4. Minimum of 30 credits in resident at NDSU.
5. Minimum of 36 upper level credits (courses numbered 300 or higher).
6. Students with transfer credit must meet the NDSU 30 credits in residence (#4). Of these 30 credits in residence, a minimum of 15 credits must be in courses numbered 300 or above, and 15 credits must be in the student's declared major curricula.

University General Education Requirements

A list of university approved general education courses along with the administrative policies governing the requirement and the categories is available here (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/>).

Code	Title	Credits
Category C: Communication		12
Category R: Quantitative Reasoning		3
Category S: Science and Technology		10
Category A: Humanities and Fine Arts		6
Category B: Social and Behavioral Sciences		6
Category W: Wellness		2
Category D: Cultural Diversity		
Category G: Global Perspectives		
Category L: Digital Literacy		
Total Credits		39

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Code	Title	Credits
Art History and Theory		
ART 210	Art History I	3
ART 211	Art History II	3
ART 389	Art Theory and Criticism	3
ART 451	History of American Art	3
ART 452	Contemporary Art	3
ART 453	Topics in Art History	3
Studio Foundations		
ART 124	Foundations of Design	3
ART 122	Studio Technology Foundations	3
ART 131	Foundations Drawing	3
ART 335	Figure Drawing	3
Intro Studio Core		
Choose six (6) classes from the list below:		18
ART 120	Painting I	
ART 150	Ceramics I	
ART 160	Sculpture I	

ART 170	Printmaking I
ART 180	Photography I
ART 185	Graphic Design I
ARMD 101	Beginning Apparel Construction

Advanced Studio Development and Professional Practice Core

Students will take four (4) sections of Topics in Studio over four semesters. Topics in Studio courses can be repeated for credit, and students can take any combination of Topics Studios, as long as they have taken the complementary Intro Studio course.

Choose four (4) classes from the list below: 12

ART 320	Topics in Painting
ART 350	Topics in Ceramics
ART 380	Topics in Photography
ART 390	Advanced Studio Arts Development

In conjunction with the Topics in Studio courses, students will take two (2) sections of ART 391 Seminar and two (2) sections of ART 491 Seminar, one each semester for four semesters.

ART 391	1
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ART 491	1
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Baccalaureate Capstone

Students must successfully complete a baccalaureate application with enough demonstrated depth in one or more areas to begin their Capstone. Once approved students take 6 credits of Baccalaureate Project and 6 credits of Baccalaureate Studio courses over two consecutive semesters.

Baccalaureate Project	
ART 489	Baccalaureate Project 3
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Baccalaureate Studio (Select a studio to be repeated twice over two semesters) 6	
ART 420	Baccalaureate Studio: Painting
ART 450	Baccalaureate Studio: Ceramics
ART 480	Baccalaureate Studio: Photography
ART 485	Baccalaureate Studio: Graphic Design
ART 494	(Individual Study) *

Total Credits 76

* Mixed Media/Drawing/Sculpture Focus available on an individual basis. Please see department chairperson or advisor for permission.