Visual Arts B.F.A.

Degree Requirements: 124 Credit Hours

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Fine Arts Visual Arts degree program develop the knowledge, skills, concepts, and sensitivities essential to the professional artist. The BFA is often the degree preferred by colleges and universities when applying to a Master of Fine Arts graduate program. Although studio practice is of prime importance while BFA students prepare for professional careers, they must also develop a broad knowledge of art history, art materials, and techniques in order to advance their skills by choosing an emphasis in either ceramics and ceramic sculpture, drawing and painting, fibers, graphic design, photography or studio studies. Students must demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge and technical skill to professional practices such as exhibition, oral presentation, promotion, and critique of their artwork.

The campus is located within the city limits of Savannah, Georgia, which inherently provides ample opportunities for art students to broaden their studies by visiting museums, galleries, and numerous businesses that exhibit artwork or historical artifacts. Locally, art receptions and art events take place regularly, providing occasions to extend classroom experiences into the culturally diverse community.

See Core Curriculum for required courses in Area A1 through Area E.

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Area F - Courses Appropriate to Major

Major Requirements

ARTS 2040 Intro to Darkroom Photography 3
ARTS 2110 Intro to Graphic Design 3
ARTS 3330 New Media Design 3
ARTS 2400 Introduction to Fibers 3
ART 2230 Ceramics: Introduction 3
ARTS 3400 Introduction to Printmaking 3

Studios in Art History:

Select 9 hours credit hours from the following Art History courses:

ARTH 4891 Special Topics in Art History (repeat up to 6 credit hours)
ARTH 4531 Contemporary Art

Concentration Area

Select one emphasis from the following: 15

Emphasis: Studio Studies

Select 15 credit hours from the following that were not taken in Area F course or as a Major Requirement:

ART 1011 Drawing II
ARTS 3020 Intermediate Painting
ARTS 3110 Advanced Graphic Design
ART 3131 Drawing III
ARTS 3140 Intermediate Darkroom Photography
ARTS 3160 Manipulated Silver Print

Emphasis: Ceramics and Ceramic Sculpture

Select 15 credit hours from the following that were not taken in Area F course or as a Major Requirement:

ARTS 3310 Pottery Wheel Techniques
ARTS 3330 Ceramic Sculpture
ARTS 3340 Advanced Pottery Wheel Techniques
ARTS 3700 Figure Sculpture
ART 4590 Selected Topics in Art (Ceramics or Ceramic Sculpture focused - up to 9 credit hours)

Emphasis: Drawing and Painting

Select 15 credit hours from the following that were not taken in Area F course or as a Major Requirement:

ARTS 3020 Intermediate Painting
ART 3131 Drawing III
ART 3132 Figure Drawing
ART 4590 Selected Topics in Art (Drawing or Painting focused - up to 9 credit hours)

Emphasis: Fibers

Select 15 credit hours from the following that were not taken in Area F course or as a Major Requirement:

ARTS 3610 Screen Printing
ARTS 3630 Fabric Design
ARTS 3640 Weaving
ARTS 3680 Environmental Art
ARTS 3720 Fiber Sculpture
ART 4590 Selected Topics in Art (Fiber focused - up to 9 credit hours)

Emphasis: Graphic Design

Select 15 credit hours from the following that were not taken in Area F course or as a Major Requirement:

ARTS 3110 Advanced Graphic Design
ARTS 3210 Typography
ARTS 3220 Branding
ARTS 3230 Packaging Design
ARTS 3240 Visual Design on the Web
### Progression Requirements

To earn a bachelor's degree in fine art students must complete with a grade of "C" or better all ARTS/ART/ARTH courses required in the program of study. To fulfill the prerequisites for any ARTS/ART/ARTH course students must obtain a grade of C or better in each prerequisite course.

### Other Program Requirements

#### Departmental Exit Exam

#### Advisement

Every student enrolled in a degree program in the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art is advised by an advisor located in the Carroll Building, Room 2244, (912) 478-7740.