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Art and Design Major Courses

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Major Courses	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
	ART 1101 Fundamentals of Drawing (3)	➔ ART 101 Fundamentals of Drawing (4)	3A GE on semesters C1 GE on quarters
	ART 1102 2D Design (3)	➔ ART 102 Art and Design Studies I (4)	
	ART 1103 3D Design (3)	➔ ART 104 Art and Design Studies II (4)	
	ART 1104 4D Design (3)	➔	New Course Take in semesters
	ART 1141 Design Thinking and Methods (3)	➔	New Course ART 182 may be used as a substitution. Talk with Department Chair
	ART 2201 Visual Culture and Society: Analysis and Practice (3)	➔ ART 203 Art Theory and Practice (4)	ART 2201 on semesters only will fulfill 4B GE
	ART 2260 Camera and Light (3)	➔	New Course ART 224 may be used as a substitution for Studio and GD; ART 122 may be used for P&V
	ART 2212 Renaissance to Modern Art (3)	➔ ART 212 Art History - Renaissance Through Baroque Eras (4)	
	ART 2215 Global Contemporary Art (3)	➔ ART 315 Art History - Art Since 1945 (4)	May be possible to sub ART 213. Talk with Department Chair.
	Choose ONE from the following (3): ART 1184 Beginning Sculpture ART 2282 Beginning Painting	Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 148 Beginning Sculpture ART 209 Beginning Painting	
	Choose ONE from the following (3): ART 3359 Portfolio: Graphic Design ART 3379 Portfolio: Photo Video ART 3399 Portfolio: Studio Art	➔ ART 260 Critique, Discourse, and Practice (4)	Take ART 260 Spring 2026; if not then semester version in third year



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Upper Division ART History Elective	Choose ONE from the Following (3): ART 3310 ART 3311 ART 3314 ART 3317 ART 3320 ART 3321 ART 3322 ART 3323 ART 3324	Choose ONE from the Following (4): ART 310 ART 311 ART 314 ART 317 ART 370 ART 371 ART 373 ART 374	Courses used in other areas of the major or concentration cannot also be used here.
Upper Division ART Elective	Choose TWO Upper Division (3000-4000 level) Art or Art History Electives (8) – up to 3 semester units max in ART History	Choose TWO Upper Division (300-400 level) Art or Art History Electives (4) – up to 4 units max in ART History	Courses used in other areas of the major or concentration cannot also be used here.
Concentration	Concentration Requirement Choose ONE from the following (39): Graphic Design Photography & Video Studio Art See ART Concentration Guides on CLA Semester Conversion website for course requirements	Concentration Requirement Choose ONE from the following: Graphic Design Photography & Video Studio Art See ART Concentration Guides on CLA Semester Conversion website for course requirements	
Free Electives	FREE ELECTIVES	FREE ELECTIVES	Speak with a CLA Advisor to determine number of free electives required to meet the minimum 120 semester unit requirement.



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Check the quarter GE Area equivalent! Search for available GEs based on catalog.

General Education (GE) for ART & DESIGN

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SEMESTER REQUIREMENT		QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
Lower Division GEs	1A: Written Communication (3)	➔ A2: Written Communication (4)	
	1B: Critical Thinking (3)	➔ A3: Critical Thinking (4)	
	1C: Oral Communication (3)	➔ A1: Oral Communication (4)	
	Area 2: Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning (3)	➔ B4: Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (4)	
	3A: Arts ART 1101 in the major (3)	➔ C1: Arts ART 101 in the major (4)	Will be fulfilled with major course
	3B: Humanities - Literature, Philosophy, and Languages other than English (3)	➔ C2: Humanities - Literature, Philosophy, and Languages other than English (4)	
	4A: American Institutions (3)	➔ D1: American Institutions (4)	Area 4 includes two lower-division courses (4A and 4B) and one upper-division course (see Upper-Division Area 4 below). These three courses must come from at least two different course prefixes. 4B GE will be fulfilled with major course
	4B: Social and Behavioral Sciences ART 2201 in the major (3)	➔ D2: Lower-Division D ART 2201 in the major (3)	
	5A: Physical Sciences (3)	➔ B1: Physical Sciences (4)	
	5B: Life Sciences (3)	➔ B2: Life Sciences (4)	
	5C: Laboratory (1) Embedded in a 5A or 5B	➔ B3: Laboratory (0) Embedded in a B1 or B2	
	Area 6: Ethnic Studies (3)	➔ Area F: Ethnic Studies (4)	
Upper Division GEs	Upper-Division Area 2 or Upper-Division Area 5 Mathematics and Quantitative Reasoning or Physical and Life Sciences (3)	➔ Upper-Division B Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning (4)	
	Upper-Division Area 3 Arts and Humanities Upper Division ART History in the major (3)	➔ Upper-Division C Arts and Humanities Upper Division ART History in the major (4)	Will be fulfilled with major course
	Upper-Division Area 4 Social and Behavioral Sciences (3)	➔ Upper-Division D Social Sciences (4)	Area 4 includes two lower-division courses (4A and 4B) and one upper-division course. These three courses must come from at least two different course prefixes



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Note: the following GEs on the 22-26 catalog will not be required for student who switch to the 26-28 semester catalog: lower division C GE, Area E GE, GE Electives.



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Concentration Courses	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
	ART 2263 Black and White Photography (3)	 ART 222 Black and White Photography (4)	
	ART 2261 Creative Lighting (3)	 ART 224 Introduction to Artificial Lighting for Photography (4)	
	ART 3314 History and Contemporary Practices of Photography (3)	 ART 314 History of Photography (4)	UD Area 3 GE on semesters UD C GE on quarters
	ART 3370 Digital Video (4)	 ART 383 Digital Video I (4)	
	ART 4479 Senior Project: Portfolio Photo Video (4)	 ART 463 Senior Portfolio Project (4)	
	Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 3364 Editorial Storytelling ART 3365 Advertising Photography	 Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 329 Editorial Photography ART 427 Advertising Photography	
	Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 3362 Photographic Expression ART 3363 Large Format Photography	 Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 324 Photographic Expression ART 325 Advanced Camera and Lighting Techniques	
	Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 4472 Video Art and Expanded Cinema ART 4473 Documentary Video ART 4474 Narrative Video	 Choose ONE from the following (4): ART 485 Video Art and Expanded Cinema ART 483 Digital Video II	
	Choose ONE from the following (3): ENGL 3371 Film Styles and Genres ENGL 3372 Film Directors ENGL 3387 Fiction Writing	 Choose ONE from the following (4): ENGL 371 Film Styles and Genres ENGL 372 Film Directors ENGL 387 Fiction Writing	UD Area 3 GE on semesters UD C GE on quarters



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	SEMESTER REQUIREMENT	QUARTER COURSE	NOTES
Photography and Video Electives	Choose FOUR semester units from the following: - ART 3323 - ART 3362 - ART 3363 - ART 3364 - ART 3365 - ART 4435 - ART 4472 - ART 4473 - ART 4474 - ART 4440 - ART 4485 - ART 4495 - GRC 3200	Choose ONE from the following (4): - ART 324 - ART 325 - ART 329 - ART 373 - ART 400 - ART 427 - ART 483 - ART 484 - ART 485 - ART 494 - ART 495 - GRC 331	Talk with your Major Advisor about total units and courses needed.
Art Elective	Choose ONE from the following (3): <i>List to be provided later</i>	Choose ONE from the following (4): <i>List to be provided later</i>	



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