



ART



University of Findlay

Program Overview

Our art major provides a comprehensive curriculum that focuses on studio practice and art history. As an art major, you will choose an area of focus and develop work for your senior exhibition. Areas of focus include ceramics, painting, printmaking, drawing and photography.

Students who major in the visual arts develop strong problem-solving skills and visual communication skills. They are creative individuals who can think critically about their work, their surroundings and the processes in which they engage. The art program encourages students to shape their own creative and professional journeys, and many students pair their degree with additional studies in graphic design, art management, art education, psychology, art history, theatre, or entrepreneurship. This interdisciplinary approach allows students to expand their skill sets and prepare for diverse careers both within and beyond the traditional art world.

Potential careers students may consider include:

- Fine Artist
- Illustrator
- Photographer
- Art Historian
- Gallery or Museum Assistant
- Art Conservator or Restorer
- Art Educator
- Arts Programming Coordinator

Program Highlights

- Strong Faculty Mentorship
- Experiential Learning through the Lea Gallery
- Direct Access to the Mazza Museum
- Interaction with Professional Artists and Illustrators
- Professional and Service Opportunities with the Mazza Museum
- Study Trips to Major Cultural Centers

WHY ART?

Creativity, problem-solving, and adaptability are some of the top skills valued by employers. A degree in art equips students with these skills and prepares graduates for a wide range of creative careers across the arts, education, design, and cultural sectors.

ABOUT OUR FACULTY

Art program faculty are practicing artists, designers, photographers, and art historians who are active in their field of expertise.

12:1*

campus-wide student-to-faculty ratio ensures individual attention

16

16-week capstone semester in individualized area of interest

75%

75% of graduates participate in professional activities

INDIVIDUALIZED ATTENTION

The art program offers a mentoring atmosphere, small classes, and one-on-one interaction with faculty who utilize their experience and expertise to help students reach their career goals.

DIVERSE EXPERIENCES

Art program students take advantage of all the opportunities UF has to offer. Most students double-major or choose minors to complement their field of study. Our flexible program supports student participation in athletics, theatre, choir, band, The Pulse Newspaper, UF TV, *From the Writer's Kitchen* Student Literary Journal, and study abroad.

CAREER READINESS

- Resume Building
- Project Development
- Personal Brand and Website Development
- Interviewing
- Portfolio Development
- Career Research and Networking

SAMPLE CURRICULUM

Core Art Classes

2D Visual Fundamentals* 3 hrs
Introduction to Digital Design* 3 hrs
Introduction to Drawing* 3 hrs
History of Art I* 3 hrs

History of Art II* 3 hrs
Research and Readings in Art 3 hrs
Senior Portfolio and Exhibition 3 hrs
Professional Practices in Art* 3 hrs

Required Art Courses

3D Design in Crafts* 3 hrs
Drawing: Media and Concepts* 3 hrs
Film Photography* or
Digital Photography* 3 hrs

Watercolor and Works on Paper* 3 hrs
Sculpture* 3 hrs
Ceramics* 3 hrs
Printmaking* 3 hrs
Painting* 3 hrs

Art Elective Courses

Students must complete three hours from the following:

Advanced Photography 3 hrs
Advanced Painting 3 hrs
Advanced Ceramics 3 hrs

Advanced Sculpture 3 hrs
Advanced Printmaking 3 hrs

* Indicates courses that fulfill CORE+ general education requirements.

Disclaimer: The plan outlined above is a suggested course sequence. It may be adjusted based on prior college credit or transfer coursework earned before enrollment.



"Creative atmosphere."

"Becoming part of the University of Findlay Art Program is easily one of the best decisions I have made. I thoroughly enjoyed every class and the creative atmosphere that naturally flows within the students. The professors are knowledgeable and are truly passionate about what they do, creating an environment where, no matter the skill level, anyone can become an artist."

– **Jenison Davidson** - Art 2026

"Meaningful connections."

"The University of Findlay's art program has allowed me to explore a wide range of creative and professional opportunities. I especially value the meaningful connections I've built within the program and the dedication my professors show in creating a curriculum that supports every student's growth. These experiences have prepared me to take on new challenges as I pursue my future career."

– **Madelyn Fry** - Multi-Age Visual Art Education 2028

