BFA in Art - Studio Art: Photo Media Concentration

The Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in art — studio art emphasis develops students’ perceptual skills, technical making skills, creativity, and ability to think critically and independently. Students are encouraged to explore ideas between fine and applied arts methodologies and gain experiences in developing and applying skills and creativity outside the classroom. Instruction in use of art materials and specific art processes enables students to create original work reflecting their evolving vision. The degree program also facilitates broad cultural awareness of the visual arts in society through art history and criticism, the expectation of travel, and applied, real-world experiences required within the curriculum. Graduating majors are able to clearly express ideas through artworks via historical and contemporary aesthetic and technical models, along with developing a substantial vision for their own careers and/or creative possibilities in the 21st century art world.

The photo media concentration offers coursework in both analog and digital methods, including B&W darkroom printing, 19th century processes, studio lighting, large format shooting and printing, advanced digital manipulation, appropriation, and crossover with time-based media. A foundation in the fundamental aspects of photography is required, as well as an understanding of the historical and social context in which photography is encountered.

Program Requirements

A minimum total of 120 credit hours is required for the BFA in studio art and includes 84 credit hours of art and art history courses. Students must also meet the university’s scholastic, residence and General Education Program (http://catalog.wichita.edu/undergraduate/general-education-program/) requirements for graduation.

A grade of C (2.000 grade points) or better is required in all major courses. A minimum GPA of 2.000 is required within the major.

In addition to meeting the requirements of the WSU General Education Program (http://catalog.wichita.edu/undergraduate/general-education-program/), students in the BFA in studio art must take the following courses. (One ARTH 125_ course may count as their fine arts general education course.)

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Studio Art Program Studies

Select one course in ARTE/ARTG/ARTS 200-level or 300-level
(excludes ARTS 375_, ARTS 390_) 3
Select two courses in ARTE/ARTG/ARTS 300-level (excludes ARTS 375_, ARTS 390_) 6
Select two courses in ARTE/ARTG/ARTS 300-level or above (excludes ARTS 375_, ARTS 390_, ARTS 590_, ARTS 591_) 6
Select one of the following 3
ARTH 395_    SlowBurn Topics - 1st Semester
ARTS 590_    SlowBurn Topics - 1st Semester
ARTS 481N    Internship
Select one of the following 3
ARTH 396_    SlowBurn Topics - 2nd Semester
ARTS 591_    SlowBurn Topics - 2nd Semester
ARTS 481N    Internship
Select three 1 credit hour courses from the following 3
ARTH/ARTS 390_ QuickFire Topics
ARTH 375_    Special Topics in Ceramics

Photo Media Concentration

Select two of the following 6
ARTS 330    Analog Photographic Techniques
ARTS 331    Digital Photographic Techniques
ARTS 334    Photo Media Topics
ARTS 335    Contemporary Photography Studio
ARTS 535    Advanced Photo Media
ARTS 537    Photo Media Senior Project
ARTS 599    Senior Exhibition

Total Credit Hours 84

Note: 45+ upper-division credit hours are required for graduation.

Model programs of study are available in the School of Art, Design and Creative Industries office and ADCI website (http://wichita.edu/adci)².

1 Must be completed prior to enrolling in ARTF 202.
2 Link opens new window.

Applied Learning

Students in the BFA in studio art program are required to complete an applied learning or research experience to graduate from the program. The requirement can be met by completing ARTS 599 Senior Exhibition.