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The primary focus of the art program is to develop technical proficiency and knowledge of contemporary contexts and professional practice in the visual arts. The student who declares an art major can earn the Bachelor of Arts degree or the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. The B.F.A. is strongly recommended for those students who plan to pursue graduate work in the visual arts or who intend to work as studio artists. The studio areas offered are: drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, fiber media, and ceramics. Additionally, papermaking, watercolor, and special topics courses are available. The art major may concentrate in one studio area or work in several areas. For students majoring in other fields, our program offers a minor in Art History and Studio.

Students who are working on the B.A. or B.F.A. must complete 8 of the 9 General Education Objectives (a minimum of 36 credits—see the General Education Requirements ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/generaleducation/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/generaleducation/)) described in the Academic Information section of this catalog).

Students interested in majoring or minoring in the Art department should contact the department to be admitted.

Prerequisites

Students who major in art must complete the foundation courses (ART 1100, ART 1103, ART 1104, ART 1105, ART 1106) in sequence before enrolling in any 2000 level or above studio courses. ART 1103 must be taken before enrolling in ART 1104. ART 1105 must be taken before enrolling in ART 1106. Students should take these five courses during the freshman year. Students must achieve a grade point average of 3.0 or higher in these foundation classes. For Art majors, ART 1100 will be required prior to enrollment in ART 1101 and ART 1102. Non-majors may take studio courses/art history without the foundation prerequisites. Note: ART 3310, Professional Practice and Display, requires at least 60 completed credits and is required for declared Art majors.

Senior Presentation

During the last semester of the students’ senior year, they must enroll in Senior Presentation, ART 4494. As a requirement for graduation, the student must present an exhibition of artwork, participate in an oral review with two faculty members chosen by the student, and write a statement that addresses their development and growth as an artist/scholar. Elementary and secondary art education majors should refer to the College of Education ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/education/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/education/)) section of this catalog for additional information. Please note that ART 3334, Secondary Art Methods, will be offered only at the department’s discretion (D). Summer school graduates must exhibit during the spring semester preceding graduation. At least 36 of the

credits earned toward graduation must be in upper division courses (3000 or 4000 numbers) and sixteen of these must be in Art.

Special Graduation Requirements

Students who wish to major in Art must meet the following criteria:

1. Overall grade point average of 2.5.
2. Achieve a grade point average of 3.0 or higher in the foundation courses (ART 1100 ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201100/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201100/)), ART 1103 ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201103/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201103/)), ART 1104 ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201104/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201104/)), ART 1105 ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201105/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201105/)), and ART 1106 ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201106/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%201106/))). Students who do not have a 3.0 grade point average in these foundation courses may, with the approval of their advisor, appeal to continue in their degree program and graduate as an Art major by submitting a portfolio for faculty review.

The Department of Art will accept no D or F grades for major or minor coursework. Courses with D or F grades, including Art electives, must be repeated and a higher grade earned before a student can qualify for graduation with a degree in Art. Individual Project courses (ART 3385 ([http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%203385/](http://coursecat.isu.edu/search/?P=ART%203385/))) must be taken in the same medium when being repeated to earn a higher grade.

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