

B.A. IN ART HISTORY

Overview

The Department of Art & Art History offers undergraduate study centered on the intersection between the humanities and the liberal arts. Under the tutelage of highly regarded artists and art historians, our talented students engage in art historical research over a range of historical periods. Our program is designed to provide students with the skills needed for creative development and professional success in traditional and theory-based practices, and/or graduate study as a future endeavor.

Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Courses		
ARH 131	Survey of Western Art I	3
ARH 132	Survey of Western Art II	3
ARH 343 or ARH 344	Modern Art Contemporary Art	3
ARH Electives - 200 Level or Higher		18
ARH Elective - 400 Level		3
Studio ART Electives		6
General Education Requirements		
Written Communication Skills:		
WRS 105	First-Year Writing I	3
WRS 106 or ENG 106	First-Year Writing II Writing About Literature and Culture	3
Quantitative Skills:		
MTH 113	Finite Mathematics ¹	3
Areas of Knowledge:		
Arts & Humanities Cognate (9 credits) (fulfilled through the major)		
People and Society Cognate		9
STEM Cognate		9
Additional Required Courses		
UMX 100	The University of Miami Experience	0
Language Courses		3
Minor - Non Art		15
Electives and/or Writing Courses		39
Total Credit Hours		120

¹ MTH 113 or appropriate level Math course.

Suggested Plan of Study

Year One		Credit Hours
Fall		
ARH 131	Survey of Western Art I	3
WRS 105	First-Year Writing I	3
MTH 113	Finite Mathematics ¹	3
UMX 100	The University of Miami Experience	0
ART: Studio Elective		3
Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ARH 132	Survey of Western Art II	3

WRS 106 or ENG 106	First-Year Writing II or Writing About Literature and Culture	3
ART: Studio Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective or Writing Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Year Two		
Fall		
ARH 343 or 344	Modern Art or Contemporary Art	3
ARH Elective		3
People and Society Cognate Course		3
Minor Course - Non Art		3
Elective or Writing Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ARH Elective		3
Elective		3
STEM Cognate Course		3
Minor Course - Non Art		3
Elective or Writing Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Year Three		
Fall		
ARH Elective		3
People and Society Cognate Course		3
Minor Course - Non Art		3
Foreign Language Course		3
Elective or Writing Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ARH Elective		3
STEM Cognate		3
Minor Course - Non Art		3
Foreign Language Course		3
Elective or Writing Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Year Four		
Fall		
ARH Elective		3
People and Society Cognate Course		3
Minor Course - Non Art		3
Foreign Language Course		3
Elective or Writing Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
400 Level ARH Elective		3
ARH Elective		3
STEM Cognate Course		3
Elective		3

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Total Credit Hours	120

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Mission

The Art History program provides students with a broad exposure to the history of art, with the opportunity to gain an in-depth knowledge in specified subfields (e.g., European modernism; modern art in the Americas; contemporary world art; history of photography; Islamic art; Caribbean art; and Asian art). Students gain knowledge of major monuments, artists, styles, and art historical theories, and methodologies. Coursework promotes critical thinking, written and oral communication skills, visual analysis, curatorial studies, and independent research.

Student Learning Outcomes

- Students who major in art history will have a working knowledge of artists, art historical terminology, methodologies, and different interpretive frameworks of art.
- Students who major in art history will gain effective oral communication skills in relation to artworks and the study of art history.
- Students who major in art history will gain effective written communication skills in relation to artworks and the study of art history, and will be able to locate and analyze primary and secondary sources relevant to research in art history.