

Advising Notes for Art, Art History, and Design Students

see also

<http://artdept.nd.edu/dept-resources/fine-art-requirement/>

For All Students

- A student can take, for their degree, only six credits outside the main campus. The credits must come from an accredited, four-year college or university. Credits cannot come from a community college.
- If a student transfers to Notre Dame from another accredited 4-year institution, up to six credits of art courses approved by the Undergraduate Dean's Office can be used toward the major requirements.
- Transfer credits are approved only with course description, syllabus and information on contact hours, which are presented for evaluation by the department chair.
- No AP credits are accepted to meet Art, Art History, and Design degree requirements.
- There are limited openings for seniors in Photography I.
- One course may be double-counted one time to fulfill a second major, supplemental major, or minor requirement and a University or college requirement. No course may be double-counted between majors and minors or between a first major and University or college requirements.
- Freshmen university seminar in Art History, by definition, fulfills a University or college requirement and is NOT counted for BA/BFA Art History requirements.
- Applicants for International Programs must complete the science requirement and need approval of the departmental chairperson.
- In order for a student to get credit for an internship, both the chair of the department and the undergraduate advisor must ok the action. Each faculty member must contact both the chair and advisor and outline the student's internship before the internship will be granted credit. See the Internship guide in the Art Department Faculty Book. Students may not get credit for an internship if he/she has been paid for that internship.
- Students pursuing dual majors must complete the College requirements for their primary major and will be awarded their degree by that College. Their secondary major will not earn a degree but will be listed as a major on their transcript. For example, a student in the Business College who also pursues a major in Graphic Design will earn their BBA, but they will not also have a BA from Arts & Letters.
- A student cannot take a class in his/her major P/F, nor may they take a class P/F to count to the University and College requirements. If the student is not a major and is taking the course as an elective, then she/he can take the course P/F.

For all Art and Design Students

- The Drawing I requirement cannot be waived, not even if a student had taken Figure Drawing and received an "A" in it.
- A former Architecture major can use ARCH 11011: Graphics I: Drawing as fulfilling the Drawing I requirement. The student cannot use this course if he/she is still using it for an architecture degree.

For Art History Students

- The College Fine Art Elective is NOT met by the BA degree. BA students must take a fine arts course in a fine arts area — either FTT, Creative Writing, Music, Studio, Design, or Art History.

- Only one course (three credits) in Art History taken in a foreign program, exclusive of the Rome Program, may be counted towards fulfilling the major or minor requirement. This course may only be used as an “Option.” If a student participates in a full-year Foreign Study program (e.g. Angers and Bologna), then up to 6 credits may be counted towards the major. These will normally be considered as “Options.” An **exception** to these rules: up to two courses (six credits) from the John Cabot Rome Program may be used to fulfill distribution requirements in Ancient, Medieval, or Ren/Baroque. Also one ancient course taken in the Athens Program may be used to fulfill the Ancient requirement.

For BFA Students

- BFA candidates are waived from the second History/Social Science requirement and the University Fine Arts requirement.
- BFA’s must take Photography I before their senior year. There are limited openings for seniors in Photography I.
- BFA candidates may take 6 hours of art history while studying abroad. Transfer credits are approved by the department chair.

For BA Students

- The College Fine Art Elective is NOT met by the BA degree. BA students must take a fine arts course in a fine arts area — either FTT, Creative Writing, Music, Studio, Design, or Art History.
- An Art or Design major pursuing a minor in art history, needs to take additional art history classes beyond the three classes required for the BA.
- A transition from BFA to BA requires a second history/social science course.