

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA

Department of Art

Major Information Packet

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The following information guides students in the ART major at UCSB.

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A) ART UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

LOWER-DIVISION:

39 units as follows:

Art 1A, 1C (7 units)

Art 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D (non-sequential) (20 units)

3 different courses from Art 10, 12, 14, 18, 19, 22, 32 (12 units)

UPPER-DIVISION:

36 units as follows:

A. 28 units selected from upper-division Art courses (8 units of upper-division CCS art courses may be applied in this area.)

NOTE:

Students who intend to apply to graduate school in fine arts should complete a minimum of 16 units in one area of emphasis.

Courses taken: _____

B. 4 units of upper-division Art History are required

Course taken: _____

C. Art 125, 126, or Art 130 (4 units)

MAJOR REGULATIONS:

P/NP GRADING OPTION

Up to 8 units upper division Art CS courses and Art 192AA-ZZ combined may be taken P/NP. All other major units, including those applied to the major from other departments, must be taken for letter grades.

SUBSTITUTIONS in the major requirements permissible only by petition to the department chair and dean.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS At least 20 UD units in major while in residence at UCSB

G.P.A. REQUIREMENTS At least 2.0 overall average in:

a) all UD major courses; and

b) all major courses (Prep & UD) , including courses in excess of minimum requirements.

DOUBLE MAJORS With the approval of each department chairperson, up to a total of 8 units may be applied simultaneously to both UD majors.

B) NARRATIVE FOR THE MAJOR

The Department of Art offers a B.A. degree in art at the undergraduate level. The undergraduate program is designed to provide the student with a thorough and comprehensive training, and an understanding of art as a humanistic activity. The major is designed to provide students who wish to become practicing artists with a foundation which will prepare them for graduate study or professional schools.

Within the art major, students may take classes in painting, drawing, print and book arts, sculpture, photography, performance & video, digital media and new genres. Our 200 art majors have many additional opportunities that make our program exceptional: internships, student exhibitions, off-campus projects, field trips, faculty assistantships, courses in the College of Creative Studies, the Art Department Honors Program, and regular visiting artists and speakers. These opportunities offer different ways to succeed in the program. The department's undergraduate advisor helps students in planning the appropriate coursework to meet their goals and objectives.

What is entailed in this particular area of study?

75 units to complete the Department of Art major

List pre-major requirements, policies, and GPA if applicable:

No pre-major, however, if accepted to UCSB as other than an art major, please come by the office to sign the forms to add the art major. Minimum 2.0 GPA.

Lower Division Units

39 lower division units as follows:

Art 1A, 1C (7 units)

Art 7A, 7B, 7C, 7D (Non-sequential) (20 units)

3 DIFFERENT courses from Art 10, 12, 14, 18, 19, 22, 32 (12 units)

Upper Division Major

36 units as follows:

A. 28 units selected from UD Department of Art Courses (28 units)

Up to 8 units of pass/not pass may be taken in the following areas: upper division CCS art courses or Art 192AA-ZZ (internship), and may be applied toward the 28 upper-division studio units.

NOTE: Students who intend to apply to graduate school in the fine arts should complete a minimum of 16 units in one area of emphasis.

B. 4 units of UD Art History courses (4 units)

C. Art 125, Art 130, or Art 126 (4 units)

Most upper division courses may be repeated up to a total of 4 times (16 units total) for credit in the major. Exceptions are Art 125, 126, 130, and Art 192AA-ZZ. See department undergraduate advisor for more information.

Due to frequent changes in Art scheduling (course times, and locations), it is best to check with the office regularly for the most updated version of the upcoming schedule, on our website (<https://arts.ucsb.edu/>) or on GOLD.

C) ADVICE FOR FRESHMEN AND TRANSFERS

Which courses are recommended by the department for freshmen majors in their first quarter? Or their first year?

Art 1A for their second quarter. Ultimately, it would be good if freshmen could take the following courses in their first two years: 1A, 1C, 7A, 7B, 7C, & 7D (non-sequential).

Are there any courses that freshmen should avoid taking in their first quarter?

Any upper division Art courses.

Describe any freshman seminars offered by the department.

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The Exploration of Identity- Personal, Cultural, Familial, Sexual

Describe any departmental honors programs.

The Department of Art Honors program is offered to our most outstanding majors. In order to apply students should have a 3.5 GPA in art, and a competitive portfolio in their junior year.

D) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

Which courses are recommended by the department for first quarter transfer students in the major?

1A, 1C, and 7B if not previously taken.

Which courses should transfer students avoid in their first quarter?

Only upper division studio classes for which they have no previous experience.

Are there any guidelines from the department to help transfer students in

assessing previous transfer work for UCSB major credit?

All transfer students coming from a community college should check www.assist.org to determine whether their courses articulate. In order for courses from unarticulated community college art departments, out-of-state community colleges, or 4 year institutions to be considered in lieu of major requirements, the following must occur:

- 1) The classes must first be accepted from UCSB as UC transferable, and must appear on the New Student Profile
- 2) The student must furnish the Art Undergraduate Advisor with the course number, course description, and the course syllabus.

E) ADVICE FOR JUNIORS IN THE MAJOR

Each Spring quarter junior majors may apply to the Art Honors program. The students who are selected by the panel of faculty reviewers have at least a 3.5 GPA in the major and are awarded with a year long Honors commitment which begins in their senior year (the following academic year). Each Honors Student must take an Honor's Seminar each quarter. Art Honors students each are awarded with their own studio space, a privilege otherwise only enjoyed by graduate students and faculty. Each Spring quarter the Honors Students' work is featured in a large group exhibition in our student Glass Box Gallery which is open to the public.

Requirements: All applicants must submit a completed application form (which contains an image-project list), a 1-2 page artist's statement, and a portfolio, all submitted via Slideroom, to the specifications outlined in the Honors Application Guidelines, found on our website (www.arts.ucsb.edu). Candidate selection will be made from these materials only, no physical work will be accepted in lieu of a portfolio. Applicants should submit their best and most recent work. The Honors call for entries occurs each Spring quarter, with no exceptions. (Go to Honors Program link for guidelines and online submissions.)

F) QUESTIONS AND TOPICS RELATED TO THE MAJOR

How many students and faculty are in the department?

Approximately 215 undergraduates, 100 undergraduate minors, 15 graduate students, 10 ladder faculty, and 12 lecturers.

List and describe emphases (if offered):

Any emphasis that a student chooses is unofficial in that we offer a generalized B.A., rather than a B.F.A. Therefore, any area of emphasis investigated will not appear on the student's college diploma. What the student will have, instead, is a body of work within a given medium or within an intermedia or interdisciplinary approach which will allow them to build a portfolio, and thus be a competitive applicant for M.F.A. programs.

Within the art major, students may choose to emphasize painting, drawing, print and book arts, sculpture, photography, performance & video, digital media and new genres.

Students who major in this area are prepared for the following careers or graduate level of study:

Our program offers students a theoretical and conceptual approach to art-making practices. As a result of our aims we produce students who often go on to M.F.A. programs and become working artists, while others pursue graduate study in other disciplines. Many of our students pursue teaching credentials.

List any important courses or sequences that are only offered on a limited basis (e.g. spring quarter only)

7B Art 2D- Fall only

7C Art 3D- Winter only

7A Art 4D- Spring only

7D - Winter only

1C - Fall and Spring only

List important facts/statistics about the department (national ranking, reputation, faculty research, unique in UC system, etc):

Our faculty is a group of active artists who exhibit and work regularly in the professional arts, education and research and development fields and have received numerous awards and grants from private foundations and government programs, both in the U.S. and abroad.

Describe procedure for any placement tests or auditions required for the major or for specific classes.

At this time, there are none.

List any lower division courses that are available only to majors and any courses that are appropriate for non-majors (especially in Music, Art, Drama, and Dance).

Most lower division courses are open to non-majors during pass 3 of their enrollment times.

Are there recommendations from the department for students to compliment major study such as Education Abroad, internships, research, volunteer work, or study of a foreign language?

That depends upon the aim of the student. All interested students are encouraged to pursue all of the aforementioned. The undergraduate advisor works very

closely with the majors in order to assess the needs of the individual student in order to properly guide the students toward his or her educational goals (both short term, as well as long term).

What is the procedure for obtaining permission to enroll in courses needed for the major if they are closed or full?

First, the student’s prerequisites will be checked by the department (this applies to new students, continuing students and transfer students). If the prerequisites have been met and there is space in the class then the department will try to grant access to the students with the priority always going to Art majors. If the class is full, the student will need to log onto the waitlist via GOLD, or look for another class.

Are there any courses required for the upper division major that are only offered on a limited basis?

The 4 unit upper division Art 125, 126, 130 requirement is offered on a limited basis. One of the three courses will satisfy the requirement, however, not all three courses are offered each quarter. One of the three courses is offered a minimum of 2 quarters each academic year, but oftentimes one of the three courses is offered each quarter, and during Summer Sessions.

How many times can upper division courses be taken?

Upper division courses may be taken up to 4 times for credit in the major. Exceptions are Art 125, 126, 130, and Art 192AA-ZZ.

List Minors:

A 3 track minor began Fall, 2015. The three tracks are Art; Public Practice; and Art & Technology.

**Requirements for the minor in
ART**

PREPARATION FOR THE MINOR
UNITS

- A. Art 1A.....5 _____
- B. One course from Art 7A-B-C-D.....5 _____
- C. One course from Art 10, 12, 14, 18, 19, 22, 32... ..4 _____

UPPER-DIVISION

20 upper-division units in Art from the following.....20 _____
Art 100, 101, 102AA-ZZ, 105AA-ZZ, 106AA-ZZ, 110, 111PP, 112, 113, 117, 118, 120AA- ZZ,
122AA-ZZ, 123, 125, 126, 130, 132, 134, 136, 137, 177, 185AA-ZZ, 194

**Requirements for the minor in
ART & TECHNOLOGY TRACK**

PREPARATION FOR THE MINOR
UNITS

- A. Art 1A 5 _____
- B. Art 7D 5 _____
- C. Art 22..... 4 _____

UPPER-DIVISION

- A. 12 upper-division units in Art from the following:..... 12 _____
Art 102MM, 102MU, 105TD, 111PP, 113, 122CC, 122PC, 132, 177, 185GL
- B. Upper division electives: Two additional courses from Area A above or from the following:..... 8 _____
Dance 151DA, 151DB, 151DC; **English** 146AI, 146EL, 147MC, 149; **Film and Media Studies** 190VA; **Geography** 126, 128, 176A, 180, 182, 183; **History** 105A, 105B, 105C, 105CW, 109S, 109T

**Requirements for the minor in
PUBLIC PRACTICE TRACK**

PREPARATION FOR THE MINOR
UNITS

- A. Art 1A..... 5 _____
- B. One course from Art 7A or 7C..... 5 _____
- C. Art 12 4 _____

UPPER-DIVISION

- A. 16 upper-division units in Art from the following..... 16 _____
Art 102MM, 105KY, 105PP, 106FA, 106PP, 110, 111PP, 120SE, 122CC, 134, 137
- B. Upper division elective: One additional course from Area A above or from the following4 _____

Art History 136D, 136I, 136O, 136W, 136Y, 140E; **Environmental Studies** 135A;
Film and Media Studies 190V; **Geography** 126, 128, 153C, 182, 183; **Psychology** 107;
Sociology 126, 134, 134A; **Theater** 122, 123, 124, 125, 132, 149, 153

How can I receive more information about the resources at UCSB?

For **more general information** about the campus, housing, student resources, other departments, faculty, and so forth, you should view a copy of the UCSB General Catalog, located at: <http://my.sa.ucsb.edu/catalog/Current/>

How can I receive more information about financial aid?

UCSB Student Financial Services
Phone (805) 893-2432
2101 Student Affairs/Administrative Services Building (SAASB)
Santa Barbara, CA 93106

Are there resources for careers or internships on campus?

Yes! Career Services is a great resource for students. They offer numerous workshops, internships, and one-on-one sessions to students in finding their niche in the job world after graduation. www.career.ucsb.edu for more information.

G) CAREERS IN ART & ART RELATED FIELDS

UCSB's art major is excellent preparation for graduate study. This liberal arts major offers students a general education as well as a strong foundation in art practice. Many of our undergraduates have gone on to graduate study in art, architecture, film, digital media, museum curation, teaching, art therapy, urban planning, and all forms of design at some of the most respected institutions including UC Berkeley, Yale, UCLA, Washington University, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, California Institute of the Arts, California College of the Arts, Claremont College, the Slade London, among many others.

Many of our students choose to enter careers without further education very successfully. Due to our focus on excellence, many of our students use their conceptual, creative and organizational talents in managerial roles for private companies and non-profits, galleries and museums, or pursue entrepreneurial tracks as artists, photojournalists, and designers (web and other forms).

Students interested in teaching art at a university or community college should plan to complete a Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree. Teaching at the high school (secondary) level requires the California single subject teaching credential. Students considering this last option should discuss their plans with the credential advisor in UCSB's Graduate School of Education.

For any of these directions, speak to your undergraduate advisor early in your studies at UCSB! Work with Career Services to learn how to apply to internships and jobs! www.career.ucsb.edu.