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Bachelor of Arts in Art History

Degree Requirements | Units
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General education | 50
Major core requirements | 43
General electives | 27
Total units needed for graduation | 120

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**LOWER-DIVISION CORE UNITS ART HISTORY 6-8**

- ARTH 160 A & B Art History L.C. 8
- OR
- ARTH 210: Intro to Art History 3-4
- ARTH 211: Intro to Art History 3-4

**Lower-Division Studio/Language Courses 5-8**

- ARTS 104: 2D/3D Fundamentals (or equivalent) Language
  - OR
  - one beginning studio course in any medium

**Upper-Division Core Units 15 - 20**

- Period Courses: Students must complete requirements A, B, and C
  - A) One upper-division course from three of the five categories listed below (three courses total):
    - Ancient: ARTH 420 422 424
    - Medieval: ARTH 430 432
    - Renaissance/Baroque: ARTH 440 442 444 450
    - 18th through 19th Centuries: ARTH 452 454 460
    - History of Photography: ARTH 456
    - B) Modern/Contemporary, one upper-division course required:
      - ARTH 460 464 465 466
    - C) Non-Western, One upper- or lower-division course required:
      - ARTH 470B 470B 474 476

**Recommended Electives For Art History Majors 7 - 12**

In consultation with the advisor, the art history major will choose additional language courses and/or upper-division courses from any of the following:

1. A, B and C above; and Gallery and Museum Methods
   - ARTH 494
2. Special topic courses
   - ARTH 480
3. Course in a related field outside the Art Department with approval of the faculty and the department chair.
   - For Example
     - ANTH 327 Archaeology of North America
     - CALS 220 Chicano/Latino Arts and Literature
     - HIST 400 History of Roman Republic
     - NAMS 205 Introduction to Native American Arts
     - NAMS 338 Native American Cinema

**Capstone Experience 3 - 5**

A senior project consisting of the following:

- A. ARTH 490H Proseminar on Art Historical Method/Capstone Paper (4 units). Students must complete two papers in upper-division courses before being admitted to the Proseminar.

- B. Optional Senior Thesis/Honors Thesis:
  - With prior approval, students may write a scholarly paper overseen by two art history faculty. The student receives assistance in preparing this paper by enrolling in one of the following courses:
    - 1. ARTH 491H Senior Thesis (1 unit).
    - Student must enroll with two different advisors
    - 2. ARTH 492 Honors Thesis (2 units), by consent of art history faculty. Student must enroll with two different advisors.

**TOTAL UNITS**

Note: Reading comprehension of at least one foreign language is essential for Art History majors. Students are advised to develop competence in French, German, Italian, and/or Spanish; however, the prospect of eventual specialization may make other languages advisable in particular instances.