

# Bachelor of Art or Bachelor of Science



Through cooperation with departments across the campus, the B.A./B.S. degrees offer advising tracks in integrated design, arts administration, arts management and a preprofessional advising track in art therapy. The B.A. and B.S. in art is also for students interested in sustainability and the environment.

## Our Program

The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in art is a comprehensive degree that focuses on the study of art, design and art history in the context of a broader program of general study. The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in art is a comprehensive degree that focuses on the study of art, design and art history in the context of a broader program of general study including the sciences, mathematics and a technology field.

## Clubs, Groups, Events

An active visiting artist and scholar program enhances our illustration program at our School of Art and Design. Visiting artists and scholars are scheduled throughout the academic year giving students the opportunity to meet like-minded people working in their field.

## Faculty and Opportunities

Students can participate in the annual juried Ars Nova exhibition. The exhibition is sponsored by Blick Art Materials and students are eligible to win cash prizes.

### Faculty

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NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

**School of Art and Design**

*College of Visual and Performing Arts*

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## Degree Requirements

Faculty and advisors are ready to help art and design students leverage outstanding course offerings across NIU to prepare them with the skills needed for success.



### Art History Requirements (18 credit hours)

ART 100 Drawing Foundation I (3)  
ART 101 Drawing II Foundation (3)  
ART 102 2-D Foundation (3)  
ART 103 3-D Foundation (3)  
ARTS 200 Beginning Life Drawing (3)  
ART 499 Capstone Seminar (3)

### Art History Requirements (6 credit hours)

ARTH 282 Intro to World Art (3)  
ARTH 292 Intro to Modern Arts & Design (3)

### Art Electives (24 credit hours)

ART / ARTH / ARTS / ARTD  
300/400 level Electives (9)  
ART / ARTH / ARTS / ARTD electives (15)  
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#### Foreign Language Requirement (12 credit hours)

Four years of high school foreign language  
(all in one language) or four semesters in college.

### B.S. DEGREE — SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

#### Math / Science / Technology (6-8 credit hours)

Math, science and technology courses must be approved by School of Art and Design and must be beyond courses required for the general education program.

### TOTAL ART HISTORY MAJOR HOURS: 48-60

Minimum graduation requirements for NIU:

- Minimum of 120 semester hours earned for degree.
- Forty of the 120 hours must be upper-level (300 and/or 400 level) courses.

## Contact Information

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## Career Information

The synthesis of art, humanities and technology prepares students for a wide range of personal and career pursuits informed by learning about traditional and emerging technologies, complex systems and creative markets. Through cooperation with departments across the campus, the B.A./B.S. degrees offer preprofessional advising tracks in art therapy and integrated design.

Career outcomes obtained from the Department of Labor Occupational Outlook Handbook.



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