



NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Major: Art and Design

Degree: M.F.A.

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Student Learning Outcomes and proposed Methods for collecting data (from assessment plan)

Student Learning Outcomes	
1	Possess comprehensive knowledge of history and current issues facing the art professions.
2	Possess broad insights into the unique contributions of art to human cultures.
3	Demonstrate a high level personal motivation and the capacity to develop ideas with persistence.
4	Possess comprehensive understanding of business practices related to career opportunities in art and/or design.
5	Use materials and processes relevant to stated artistic intentions with a high level of sophistication in a single or cross-disciplinary specializations.
6	Demonstrate evocative development of visual content illustrating insightful understanding of the relationship between concepts, materials, and visual qualities.
7	Be able to insightfully contextualize personal artistic production in relation to other artists and cultures working with similar ideas.
8	Apply theory to create sophisticated solutions to pragmatic problems using a broad range of media, tools and techniques viable in the contemporary marketplace.
9	Demonstrate advanced ability to think critically about artifacts in relation to society and culture.
10	Apply comprehensive knowledge of cultural, social, and psychological factors.

Methods of Assessment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ART 615: Introduction to Studio Practices (1, 2) • 1st Year Review (1-8) • 2nd Year Review (1-8) • One Person Thesis Exhibition or Presentation (1-9) • One Person Exhibition or Presentation Documentation Paper – Thesis and Documentation (1-10) • Performance in Art History Required Courses (1, 2, 9, 10) • Grades from Selected Studio Courses Related to Area of Focus (5, 6) • Comprehensive Exam (1-4, 7, 9, 10) • ART 715 (2, 4)