

VISUAL ARTS

Associate of Arts

The Associate of Arts with a field of study in Visual Arts is a program of study that combines studio courses in art and design with a broad range of liberal arts courses. The two-year degree program prepares students for creative positions in the workforce and provides skills, values and knowledge in the liberal and creative arts. Additionally, students are prepared for transfer into university bachelor's degree programs and are trained in portfolio preparation.

If transferring to another college, check with an advisor to see specific program requirements for the Visual Arts requirement.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Graduates will apply critical thinking skills using the formal elements and principles of design in two-dimensional media.
2. Graduates will apply critical thinking skills using the formal elements and principles of design in three-dimensional media.
3. Graduates will demonstrate their ability to develop a theme using media as a means of personal expression.
4. Graduates will demonstrate their research of their surroundings using Art Historical References, with an emphasis on composition and context.
5. Graduates will demonstrate their ability to create a digital artwork portfolio.

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Field of Study - 18 credit hours

Fine Arts Foundation ¹

ARTS 1311	Design I	3
ARTS 1312	Design II	3
ARTS 1316	Drawing I	3
ARTS 1317	Drawing II	3
ARTS 2348	Digital Media	3

Fine Arts Elective ¹

Select one of the following: 3

ARTS 2316	Painting I	
ARTS 2317	Painting II	
ARTS 2326	Sculpture	
ARTS 2333	Printmaking	
ARTS 2341	Metals	
ARTS 2346	Ceramics I	
ARTS 2347	Ceramics II	
ARTS 2356	Photography I (Fine Arts Emphasis)	
ARTS 2357	Photography II (Fine Arts Emphasis)	

STC Core Curriculum - 42 credit hours

Complete 42 credit hours of required Core Curriculum including the following: ^{2,3} 42

Creative Arts Elective

ARTS 1303	Art History I	
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Language, Philosophy & Culture Elective

ARTS 1304	Art History II	
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Total Credit Hours 60

¹ Additional materials and supplies will be required in all Fine Arts foundation and elective studio courses. It is the responsibility of the student to purchase these materials when needed.

² In addition to the courses in the Field of Study, the student is required to take 42 credit hours from the STC Core Curriculum.

³ Students who select a 3 credit hour Mathematics course to fulfill the Mathematics component of the Core Curriculum must take 4 credit hours to complete the Component Area Option for the Core Curriculum.

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Recommended Course Sequence

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall		
HIST 1301 or HIST 2327	United States History I or Mexican-American History I	3
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
ARTS 1316	Drawing I	3
ARTS 1311	Design I	3
Credit Hours		12
Spring		
HIST 1302 or HIST 2328	United States History II or Mexican-American History II	3
ENGL 1302	Composition II - Rhetoric	3
ARTS 1317	Drawing II	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum		3
Credit Hours		12
Summer		
GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3
Speech Elective - Component Area Option - Core Curriculum		3
Recommended		
SPCH 1311	Introduction to Speech Communication	
SPCH 1315	Public Speaking	
Credit Hours		6
Second Year		
Fall		
Mathematics Elective - Core Curriculum		3-4
Recommended		
MATH 1332	Contemporary Mathematics	
MATH 1414	College Algebra	
Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum		4
ARTS 1312	Design II	3
ARTS 1303	Art History I	3
Component Area Option - Core Curriculum (if required)		1
Credit Hours		14
Spring		
GOVT 2306	Texas Government	3
ARTS 1304	Art History II	3
Life and Physical Sciences Elective - Core Curriculum		4
Fine Arts Elective - Field of Study ¹		3
ARTS 2348	Digital Media	3
Credit Hours		16
Total Credit Hours		60

¹ Courses to be chosen from Field of Study