ART, BA: COMMUNITY ARTS

This undergraduate degree offers students a concentrated studio art experience to complement a broad exposure to the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, and natural sciences. Bachelor of Arts (Art) students have four course tracks to choose from: Studio Arts, Design Studies, Community Arts, and Digital Fabrication and Design.

The courses required and recommended for this track are listed on the "Requirements" tab. The "Plan of Study" tab suggests course sequencing across all four years so students can meet the degree requirements. Students are required to complete 18 studio credits after the First Year Program, but may take more studio courses as part of their Directed Electives if they desire.

Requirements
The Bachelor of Arts (Art) degree requires a total of 120 credits for graduation distributed as follows:

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University Core
The minimum number of credits required to complete the Bachelor of Arts is 120; the minimum number of credits required to complete the Bachelor of Fine Arts is 130. Students who need background preparation courses in math, English, foreign language, and chemistry may need additional credits.

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1 Learn more about the General Education Requirements (http://catalog.uwm.edu/policies/undergraduate-policies/#generaleducationtext).
2 Credit may be utilized in required curriculum areas.
### Electives

Select 30 credits from Peck School of the Arts or the University. 

Total Credits: 48

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#### Year 1

**Fall**

- ART 101 Drawing 1
  - Credits: 3

- ART 106 Art Survey: Creative Practice, Culture and Context
  - Credits: 3

- ART 108 2D Studio: Concept, Color and Composition
  - Credits: 3

- University Core
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**Spring**

- ART 109 3D Studio: Form, idea and Technique
  - Credits: 3

- ART 118 Digital Arts: Culture, Theory, Practice
  - Credits: 3

- Directed Elective 2
  - Credits: 3

- University Core
  - Credits: 3

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Total Credits: 15

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#### Year 2

**Fall**

Students are reminded that admission to the Art & Design Program requires completion of the 36-credit Art-Intended requirements and that all First Year Program courses must be completed in the first 45 credits (usually in fall semester of sophomore year).

- 200-level studio in Art
  - Credits: 3

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  - Credits: 3

- ARTHIST 101 Ancient and Medieval Art and Architecture
  - Credits: 3

- 150 Multicultural America (any discipline)
  - Credits: 3

- University Core
  - Credits: 3

**Spring**

- ART 306 Introduction to Community Art
  - Credits: 3

- ARTHIST 102 Renaissance to Modern Art and Architecture
  - Credits: 3

- Directed Elective 2
  - Credits: 3

- ART 309 Issues in Contemporary Art
  - Credits: 3

- University Core
  - Credits: 3

Total Credits: 15

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#### Year 3

**Fall**

- 300-level and above Studio Concentration
  - Credits: 3

- Advanced Art History choice
  - Credits: 3

- Directed Elective 2
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#### Year 4

**Fall**

- 300-level and above Studio Concentration
  - Credits: 3

- Advanced Art History choice
  - Credits: 3

- Directed Elective 2
  - Credits: 3

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1. Consult your academic advisor in the Peck School of the Arts Student Services Office for requirements in the Core Curriculum. PSOA Arts Distribution Requirement is part of the 45-credit Core: 9 credits outside of Art & Design, in 3 of the 4 other departments in PSOA (Dance, Music, Theatre, or Film, Video, Animation, and New Genres).

2. The 30 credits Directed Electives can be courses in Art & Design and/or other disciplines to be chosen in conjunction with Art & Design Undergraduate advisor, followed by faculty in the areas of interest. Courses required to satisfy the Cultures and Communities Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/letters-science/cultures-communities-undergraduate-certificate/) can be part of the Directed Electives or University Core. 150 Multicultural America is a prerequisite for ART 306, and is recommended as a Directed Elective.

3. The 12 Art History credits count in the Core Curriculum. Six credits (ARTHIST 101 and ARTHIST 102) count as Humanities GER.
supporting materials, as described below, for review by the Art & Design Scholarship Committee:

1. Art & Design Incoming Portfolio Scholarship Application Form. Complete the online form here (https://uwm.edu/arts/apply/).
2. Portfolio of artworks. Provide 8 – 10 examples of artwork from the past two years. If including drawings, we recommend at least three from observation (not from photographs). Identify each image by media, size, and year of completion in a separate document. JPEG files at 2000 px max preferred.
3. As a part of the online application you will provide a personal statement that relates to your interest in Art & Design and how your work at Peck School of the Arts will help you achieve your career goals.

Art & Design awards Incoming Scholarships based on this incoming portfolio. Admitted students interested in applying for scholarship aid should do so by December 15 for priority consideration. Portfolios will be accepted after this date but may not be considered for scholarships.

General information: art-admission@uwm.edu; https://uwm.edu/arts/art-and-design/.

**Advancement to Major**

Students accepted into the Art & Design program receive priority registration over non-art majors. To advance to the Art & Design major, students must complete the requirements outlined below:

1. Complete First Year Program courses (15 credits; see course list below)
2. Oral and Written Communications Competency Part A (OWC-A)
3. Quantitative Literacy Competency Part A (QL-A)
4. A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
5. Students pursuing the Design and Visual Communication BFA have additional requirements: complete ART 124, ART 221, and ART 223 with a B- or better; and pass the Design and Visual Communication Portfolio review.
6. Students should complete the above to advance to major within the first 45 credits.

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**Appeal Process**

An appeal process is established for students who do not meet the department’s criteria for classification, GPA, and area of concentration enrollment management requirements. The appeal process will provide an opportunity for individual students to request advancement to the art major or enrollment into courses as exceptions to the department’s enrollment policies based on defined, pre-determined conditions. All appeals are to be directed to the Undergraduate Advisor or PSOA advisor, who will forward the appeals to the department chair or appropriate appeals committee. The department chair or appeals committee will consult with the First Year Program Director, area head, faculty, advisors, and student if necessary before making a decision.

**Advising**

Location: Theatre 120
Reception Hours: 9AM-4PM Monday through Friday (closed on university holidays)
Contact: (414) 229-4763

Academic advising is an important aspect of long-term academic success. At the Peck School of the Arts, we offer professional academic advising in the following undergraduate disciplines: art, dance, film, music, and theatre.

Advisors provide students with individualized advising to assist them in areas such as: degree requirements, major options, course selection, campus resources, college success strategies, graduation assessment, academic policies and procedures, etc.

For more information on Peck School of the Arts advising, please visit http://uwm.edu/arts/advising/.

**Honors in the Major**

Honors in the Major is granted to students who have earned a GPA of 3.500 or greater in the major and the academic department’s recommendation.

High Honors in the Major is granted to students who have earned a cumulative GPA of 3.500 or greater and the academic department’s recommendation.

Departmental Honors are granted to students recommended by their academic department for Honors excellence in performance not reflected in the GPA.

Dean’s Honors are granted to students with major achievements in one or more of the arts.

**Honors in the Peck School of the Arts**

**Dean’s Honor List**

GPA of 3.750 or above, earned on a full-time student’s GPA on 12 or more graded credits in a given semester.

**Honors College Degree and Honors College Degree with Distinction**

Granted to graduating seniors who complete Honors College requirements, as listed in the Honors College (http://catalog.uwm.edu/opportunities-resources/honors-college/) section of this site.

**Commencement Honors**

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.500 or above, based on a minimum of 40 graded UWM credits earned prior to the final semester, will receive all-university commencement honors and be awarded the traditional gold cord at the December or May Honors Convocation. Please note that for honors calculation, the GPA is not rounded and is truncated at the third decimal (e.g., 3.499).
Final Honors
Earned on a minimum of 60 graded UWM credits: Cum Laude - 3.500 or above; Magna Cum Laude - 3.650 or above; Summa Cum Laude - 3.800 or above.