

What is Art?

The B.F.A. is a selective art program providing in-depth instruction in the visual arts through a high concentration of coursework in the Department of Art. Admission is based on portfolio evaluation. The B.F.A. is oriented toward professional practice or admission to a master's degree program.

What are the major requirements?

Go to www.catalogs.umn.edu/programs.html and select "undergraduate majors."

How do I declare an Art major?

You will be required to declare a major by the time you have completed 60 credits.

1. Talk with someone from the department: an adviser, a professor, or a teaching assistant, to learn more about the field of art and the B.F.A application.
2. When you decide upon an art major, meet with the Coordinator of Advising from the department to complete a Major Program form.
3. Bring a copy of the completed form to your CLA student community.
4. If you decide to change your major, contact your CLA student community for information on the new major's declaration process.

What can I do with a major in Art?

Skills

Art majors develop skills that are applicable to a wide variety of careers. These skills include:

- Specialized skills in a fine arts field
- Verbal and written communication skills
- Creative problem solving skills
- Listening, clarifying, questioning and responding skills
- Ability to work well with diverse groups
- Research skills and the ability to work with details

Employment

Common areas of employment for this major include but are not limited to:

- Arts and Culture— independent studios, galleries and museums, production, technician, designer
- Media—writing, editing, public relations, advertising, commercial art, critics
- Business—marketing, human resources, sales, consulting, recruiting, agents
- Education—art/music/dance therapy, teaching, research, student affairs
- Nonprofit—fundraising, programming, management, exhibition and display

Today's workplace requires individuals with interpersonal skills, the ability to communicate effectively, an ability to solve problems, and adaptability. CLA graduates find that they are

For more information:

About the Art major:
Undergraduate Advising
E223A Regis Center
(612) 625-1848
<http://artdept.umn.edu>

About CLA requirements, graduation, and other information about majors:
CLA Arts Student Community
560 Heller Hall
(612) 624-7504
<http://arts.class.umn.edu>

or
CLA Martin Luther King, Jr.
Program
19 Johnston Hall
(612) 625-2300
<http://www.class.umn.edu/mlk/mlk@class.cla.umn.edu>

About careers, internships, and community learning opportunities in this major and others:
Career and Community
Learning Center
135 Johnston Hall
(612) 624-7577
www.cclc.umn.edu
cclc@class.cla.umn.edu

About graduation with honors:
CLA Honors Division
20 Nicholson
(612) 624-5522
www.cla.umn.edu/honors/honors@class.cla.umn.edu

well-prepared in all these areas and that their education—especially when combined with experience gained through internships, volunteer positions, past jobs, and other collegiate involvement—makes them competitive.

The **Career & Community Learning Center** provides students with the tools to identify and pursue potential careers. An extensive resource room, career courses and workshops, and a helpful staff are just some of the ways we can help.

Remember!

You have not declared a major until you have:

- completed a Major Program form with your major adviser,
- filed a copy with the major department,
- and filed a copy with your CLA student community.

Don't forget: keep a copy for yourself!