

Studio Arts

Associate of Arts

61-63 credit hours

The Studio Arts degree is designed to prepare students to enter a bachelor degree in art or run an art gallery or studio. Students must successfully submit for adjudication a portfolio reflecting the work completed in the required courses to attain this degree. Upon completion students will be able to:

- Apply general and specific skills needed to be successful as a working studio artist.
- Evaluate their artwork targeting areas of needed improvement and noting areas illustrating skill.
- Create a portfolio that demonstrates their own aesthetic style developed from a foundation of historically prominent schools of thought.

Any student who is ineligible for state, national, or industry licensure or certification is ineligible for entry into this program.

Institutional and Related Requirements – 3 hours

UNIV 101 – Freshman Seminar – 3

New Mexico General Education Common Core (NMGECC) – 35 or 37 hours

I. Communicating Effectively – 9 hours

Required Courses:

ENG 102 – English Composition – 3

ENG 104 – English Composition & Research – 3

COMM 101 – Interpersonal Communication – 3

or COMM 102 – Public Speaking – 3

II. Mathematics – 3 or 4 hours

Recommended Courses:

MATH 113 – Liberal Arts Math – 3

or any MATH course listed in the NMGECC

III. Science – 8 hours

Recommended courses:

BIOL 113/L – Biology for General Education/Lab – 4

CHEM 113/L – Chemistry for Today/Lab – 4

or any science with a lab listed in the NMGECC

IV. Social Science – 6 hours

Recommended Courses:

PSCI 102 – American National Government – 3

PSY 101 – Introductory Psychology – 3

SOC 101 – Introductory Sociology – 3

or any two Social Sciences from different disciplines listed in the NMGECC

V. Fine Arts and Humanities – 6 or 7 hours

a. Fine Arts – 3 hours

Recommended courses:

MUS 113 – Music Appreciation – 3

THTR 121 – Beginning Acting – 3

Must be from a different discipline than ART

b. Humanities – 3 or 4 hours

Recommended Courses:

HIST 101 – Survey of American History to 1877 – 3

HIST 102 – Survey of American History since 1877 – 3

HIST 121 – Survey of Western Civilization to 1500 – 3

HIST 122 – Survey of Western Civilization since 1500 – 3

SPAN 101 – Beginning Spanish – 4

or any Humanities course listed in the NMGECC

and an additional course from IV. or V. Social Science, Humanities or Fine Arts – 3 hours

Choose an additional Social Science, Humanities or Fine Arts course listed in the NMGECC

Program Requirements – 17 hours

ART 101 – Beginning Drawing – 3

ART 135 – Design I – 3

ART 165 – Art History I – 3

ART 221 – Painting I – 3

ART 231/L – Ceramics I/Lab – 4

ART 299 – Programmatic Capstone – 1

Electives – 6 hours

Recommended courses:

ART 131 – Art Appreciation – 3

ART 137 – Drawing II – 3

ART 166 – Art History II – 3

ART 210 – Digital Photography I – 3

ART 232/L – Ceramics II/Lab – 4