

Art

at Coastal Carolina University

What does an art major study?

Coastal Carolina University's art program exposes students to the various techniques, processes and experiences needed to develop personal direction in art or to gain the skills needed to become professional designers. Students choose between two major areas of concentration: graphic design or fine arts. The graphic design area includes study in graphic design, illustration, and photography. Fine arts includes study in ceramics, drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpture. Art education includes the study of fine arts, photography, graphic design, and illustration for the purpose of teaching K-12.

Why study art at Coastal Carolina University?

- The program has earned national accreditation with the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).
- All students are required to participate in a second year review of their work and a senior exhibit during their last semester at Coastal Carolina University. All work submitted for the senior exhibit will be juried by a committee of art faculty and critiqued by an outside juror.
- Visual and Performing Arts Scholarships are available to students who demonstrate outstanding abilities in art and present SAT scores of at least 1,000 or ACT scores of 21 and have a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 3.0. Students must complete a Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship Application and submit a portfolio.
- Art studio internships are available. Students are professionally supervised and receive practical experience while working in art-related businesses or museums.
- Through the MAT graduate program, art studio majors can become certified to teach art in the public school system and enter the market at a higher pay level than with just the bachelor's degree.

What are some career options for art majors?

Career prospects for art majors include animator, art critic, art dealer, art director, art editor, art librarian, art therapist, cartoonist, creative director, display artist, exhibits specialist, fashion illustrator, film maker, gallery director, graphic designer/artist, illustrator, medical and scientific illustrator, painter, photo editor, photographer, print maker, professor/instructor/teacher, publishing curator, sculptor, set designer, textile designer and visual information specialist.

What kind of courses do art majors take?

ARTS 103	Fundamentals of Art I - Two dimensional design
ARTS 202	Graphic Design Techniques - Production for the graphic designer
ARTS 111	Drawing I - Materials and techniques of drawing
ARTS 208	Sculpture - Materials and techniques of sculpture
ARTH 105	History of Western Art - From the Paleolithic through the Gothic periods
ARTS 211	Painting with Water Media - Concepts of water-based painting

Whom can I contact for more information?

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