**Art Studio**

**Description of the major:**
Coastal Carolina University’s art studio program exposes students to the various techniques, processes and experiences needed to develop personal direction and creative expression in art. Students choose between six major areas of concentration in visual arts: ceramics, drawing, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. Minor programs in visual arts include art education, art history, graphic design, new media and digital culture, and photography.

**The student experience:**
- The program is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).
- The award-winning visual arts faculty is known regionally, nationally and internationally.
- Visual and performing arts scholarships are available to students who demonstrate outstanding abilities in art and academic achievement. Students must submit a portfolio for consideration. Awards recipients are recommended by the art department. For academic profiles of recent recipients, please visit [www.coastal.edu/meritawards/meritawardprofiles](http://www.coastal.edu/meritawards/meritawardprofiles).
- Art studio internships are available. Students are professionally supervised and receive practical experience while working in art-related businesses, galleries or museums.
- CHROMA, the student organization for Art Studio and Graphic Design, sponsors various lectures, workshops, trips and other events to supplement in-class experience.
- Study abroad programs are offered each summer to destinations such as Italy, France, England, Greece, China and Thailand.
- Students are encouraged to participate in the production of award-winning magazines: *Tapestry* (alumni), *Archarios* (literary/arts), *Tempo* (style/features). Art director/designer positions carry stipends.
- The Pre-Professional Studio (ARTS 440/ARTD 440) offers hands-on, real-world experience in the production of professional quality posters, magazines, websites and more.
- 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 the bachelor’s degree alone.

**Beyond the classroom:**
Career opportunities for art studio majors include animator, art critic, art dealer, art director, art editor, art librarian, art therapist, cartoonist, creative director, display artist, exhibits specialist, fashion illustrator, filmmaker, 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, visual information specialist and more.

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