

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
MFA Department of Art
Matriculation Guide

Prerequisites to Graduate Study

1. A bachelor's degree in Art, or its equivalent, from an institution accredited by one of the six regional accrediting associations is eligible for admission to the M.F.A in the Department of Art.
2. At least 15 semester hours of upper-level Studio Art.

College graduates who do not meet the above admission requirements may petition to enter the M.F.A. program by alternate admission. The Department of Art Graduate Faculty will make the decision for alternate admission after reviewing the applicant's transcripts, letters of recommendation and portfolio. The Department of Art Faculty reserves the right to interview students seeking alternate admission to the program.

Course Requirements

Students may choose a major studio area from among painting, printmaking, drawing, photography, graphic design, ceramics, and sculpture. Students may choose up to 9 hours of elective credits that can serve as a minor area of concentration.

YEAR 1

Fall (9 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration
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ARTS 5393 Seminar in Art History-Aesthetics
Mid-semester MFA Faculty Advisory Committee selection
End of Semester Semester Review

Spring (9 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration
ARTS 5391 MFA Seminar in Art
ARTS 531_ Minor Area of concentration
End of Semester Continuation reviews scheduled

Summer (3 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration

YEAR 2

Fall (9 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration
ARTS 531_ Minor Area of concentration
ARTS 5393 Seminar in Art History-Aesthetics
End of Semester Semester Review

Spring (9 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration
ARTS 531_ Minor Area of concentration
ARTS 5393 Seminar in Art History-Aesthetics
End of Semester Thesis proposal created
End of Semester Semester Review
End of Semester Focused work begins

Summer (3 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration

YEAR 3

Fall (9 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration
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ARTS 5393 Seminar in Art History-Aesthetics
Mid-semester Outline of the thesis to committee chair
Two weeks later Outline comments returned from chair
End of semester Semester Review

Spring (9 sem. hrs.)

ARTS 531_ Area of concentration
ARTS 5398 MFA Exhibition
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First week of semester Thesis first draft to committee chair
Two weeks later First draft comments returned from chair
One week later Thesis second draft, one copy to each committee member. Include all sections (with illustrations/figures/tables/animations/video/sequences/sound-bites)
Two weeks later Second draft comments returned from committee
Two weeks later Thesis final draft to committee chair
One week later Final draft with suggested revisions returned from chair
On date grades are due Signed thesis to College of Liberal Arts Dean

Part-time Students

Part-time graduate students must still meet the requirements of full-time candidates. They must complete their degrees within a 7-year period of time. The graduate coordinator works with part-time students in advising regarding course selection as well as graduate review schedule and thesis projects.