

ART (ART HISTORY) - BACHELOR OF ARTS

The art history program is designed to give the student a broad familiarity with the visual arts through the factual and theoretical study of aesthetics, cultural contexts, iconography, pictorial traditions, stylistic development and technical practices. Students are encouraged to take related courses in anthropology, history, languages and literature, music history, philosophy, religion, theatre and costume history.

Students must complete all University degree requirements, which include: General Education requirements, Viewing a Wider World requirements, and elective credits to total at least 120 credits with 48 credits in courses numbered 300 or above. Developmental coursework will not count towards the degree requirements and/or elective credits, but may be needed in order to take the necessary English and Mathematics coursework.

Prefix	Title	Credits
General Education		
<i>Area I: Communications</i>		<i>10</i>
<i>English Composition - Level 1</i> ¹		
<i>English Composition - Level 2</i> ¹		
<i>Oral Communication</i> ¹		
<i>Area II: Mathematics</i> ²		<i>3-4</i>
<i>Area III/IV: Laboratory Sciences and Social/Behavioral Sciences</i>		<i>10-11</i>
<i>Area III: Laboratory Sciences Course (4 credits)</i> ¹		
<i>Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences Course (3 credits)</i> ¹		
<i>Either an Area III/IV: Laboratory Sciences Course or Social/Behavioral Sciences Course (4 or 3 credits)</i> ¹		
<i>Area V: Humanities</i> ¹		<i>3</i>
<i>Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts</i>		
ARTH 2110G	History of Art I	3
<i>General Education Elective</i>		
ARTH 2120G	History of Art II	3
Viewing a Wider World ³		6
Departmental/College Requirements		
Both ART 2110G and ART 2120G count towards Area VI and the General Education elective and Departmental/College Requirements		
ARTS 1121	Foundations in Art	3
ARTH 2136	Writing in Art	3
ARTH 479	Methodologies and Theories of Art and Art History	3
Choose one 1000/2000-level studio art course ⁴		3
Choose two 300-level art history courses ⁴		6
Choose two 400-level art history courses ⁴		6
Choose three 300/400-level art history courses ⁴		9
Choose three art department electives		9
Second Language: (required see below)		
Electives, to bring the total credits to 120 ⁵		38-40
While 6 credits can be either ARTS at any level or ARTH at upper-division level, 3 credits must be Upper-Division level ARTS/ARTH		
Total Credits		120

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See the General Education (<http://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/general-education-viewing-wider-world/>) section of the catalog for a full list of courses.

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A Mathematics General Education course is required for the degree but students may need to take any prerequisites needed to enter the course selected first.

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See the Viewing a Wider World (<http://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/general-education-viewing-wider-world/#viewingawiderworldtext>) section of the catalog for a full list of courses.

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Please see the Courses (<http://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/arts-sciences/art/#coursestext>) tab of the Art Department page within this catalog to determine which courses are Studio Art (ARTS) and which are Art History (ARTH).

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Elective credit may vary based on prerequisites, dual credit, AP credit, double majors, and/or minor coursework. The amount indicated in the requirements list is the amount needed to bring the total to 120 credits and may appear in variable form based on the degree. However students may end up needing to complete more or less on a case-by-case basis and students should discuss elective requirements with their advisor.

Second Language Requirement

For the Bachelor of Arts- Art with a concentration in Art History there is a two year second language requirement for the degree. Students must demonstrate a reading knowledge of a second language either by completing the 2120 or 2140 course or by taking a 300-level literature course (FREN, GRMN, SPAN, PORT, JAPN or CHIN). **Art History majors may not use SIGN 2110 American Sign Language III to fulfill the language requirement.**