GENERAL FINE ARTS

Bachelor of Fine Arts

60 CORE CREDIT HOURS

60 MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

0 ELECTIVE CREDIT HOURS

ABOUT THE MAJOR

The BFA Program is considered to be the professional degree for those students interested in graduate school or pursuing other career opportunities in the visual arts. The intensity of this degree results in students becoming proficient in a specific studio area while augmenting it with studio areas outside their concentration. The BFA in Art program at UWG currently offers seven concentrations that are chosen by the student after they have completed their foundation classes.

The current concentrations offered at UWG are: Art Education, Ceramics, Community Arts, Graphic Design, Painting, Photography, Printmaking, and Sculpture

ABOUT THIS MAP

This program map is intended ONLY as a guide for students to plan their course of study. It does NOT replace any information in the Undergraduate Catalog, which is the official guide for completing degree requirements. Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UWG, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Animator
- Ceramics Designer
- Concept Artist
- Fashion Designer
- Glass Blower or Designer
- Illustrator
- Interior Designer
- Printmaker
- Tattoo Artist
- Web Designer

ADD A CERTIFICATE

- Arts Management
- Museum Studies
- Public History

Visit westga.edu/program-maps for the latest version of this major map.

VISIT WOLFWATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION.

HAVE A QUESTION? CHECK IN WITH YOUR ADVISOR!

HONORS COLLEGE

Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!

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YEAR 1

TERM 1: FALL

C1: ENGL 1101 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
English Composition I

M: MATH 1001 OR 1111 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Quantitative Skills & Reasoning or College Algebra

F: ART 1006 OR 1009 — 3 CREDIT HOURS

F: ART 1007 — 3 CREDIT HOURS

ART 1017 — 0 CREDIT HOURS

S1: WORLD HISTORY — 3 CREDIT HOURS

A: HUMANITIES — 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE ENGL 1101; REQUIRED TO EARN C OR HIGHER.
- COMPLETE ART 1006, 1007 (C OR BETTER).
- EARN 18 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS.

TERM 2: SPRING

C2: ENGL 1102 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
English Composition II

F: ART 1006 OR 1009 — 3 CREDIT HOURS

F: ART 1008 — 3 CREDIT HOURS

ART 1018 — 0 CREDIT HOURS

I2: INSTITUTIONAL OPTIONS — 2 CREDIT HOURS

P1: US HISTORY — 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE ENGL 1102; REQUIRED TO EARN C OR HIGHER.
- COMPLETE ART 1008, 1009 (C OR BETTER).
- EARN 18 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS.

18 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 14 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 32 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK
- Enroll in Art Foundations Courses.
- Start taking University Core courses such as ART 1201, and remember it is important to take a mix of Art and University Core throughout your 4 years!
- Attend the Art Program Gathering (The Gathering).
- Meet with your Art Mentor (one will be assigned).
- Visit the Center for Academic Success (if you want some extra help).
- Talk with your mentor about the BA and BFA degree plans.

FIND YOUR PLACE
- Join the Art Student Union.
- Attend Art Infuse and Art Incend.
- Meet with art mentor.
- Explore what the University has to offer, Ingram Library, UREC etc.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES
- Go to an Art Exhibition Reception.
- Attend a capstone exhibition.
- Attend the Faculty or Alumni Exhibition and Reception in the Fall.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS
- Visit the Carrollton Art Center, Southeastern Quilt & Textile Museum, or local gallery.
- Attend School of the Arts lectures and events; if you are not on the Newnan campus, be sure to visit the Vault Gallery.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF
- Focus on time management: make sure that in addition to doing well in all of your classes that you are making time for yourself throughout the week.
- Explore UWG's Wellness Hub.

PAVE YOUR PATH
- Investigate the concentrations offered in ART.
- Passionate about more than one subject? Consider a minor within CACSI.

YEAR 2

TERM 1: FALL

ART 3301, 3601, 3701, 3801 OR 3901 — 9 CREDIT HOURS

F: ART 2201 OR 2202 — 3 CREDIT HOURS

T1: SCIENCE + LAB — 4 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONES:
- STUDENT SHOULD APPLY TO THE BFA IN ART (GENERAL FINE ART)
- EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS (C OR BETTER IN ART CLASSES)

TERM 2: SPRING

ART 3301, 3601, 3701, 3801 OR 3901 — 6 CREDIT HOURS

F: ART 2201 OR 2202 — 3 CREDIT HOURS

T2: NON-LAB SCIENCE — 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONE:
- EARN 12 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS (C OR BETTER IN ART CLASSES).

16 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 12 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 28 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK
- Continue taking University Core classes.
- Secondary Art Core.
- Choose your concentration.
- Mid-Program Review.
- Continue meeting with art mentor.
- Take ART 2000, ART 2201 and 2202.

FIND YOUR PLACE
- Volunteer to help out at Art Infuse and Art Incend.
- Continue meeting with art mentor.
- Attend visiting artist presentation.
- Enter work into The Eclectic.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES
- Participate in Critique with a Visiting Artist.
- Attend a visiting artist lecture.
- Initiate an SRAP grant with art faculty.
- GPA 3.2 or above? Consider applying to the Honors Program.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS
- Seek out an Internship.
- Study Abroad.
- Visit Atlanta, see what it has to offer: The High Museum, MoCA GA, Atlanta Contemporary Arts Center, Binders, Sam Flax, etc.
- Participate in Art Takeover

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF
- Utilize the free and confidential resources at the campus Counseling Center if needed.
- Take a group fitness class, explore the outdoors, or use the gym at University Recreation.

PAVE YOUR PATH
- Draft Artist Statement and think about Resume development (experience, skills, exhibitions).
- Submit work to the Juried Student Exhibition.
- Take part in the Art Atelier.
- Apply for a Student Assistant position.

YEAR 3

TERM 1: FALL

ART 3302 OR 4303 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Ceramics course option

ART 3602 OR 4604 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Painting course option

ART 3700, 3702, 3703, 3704, OR 3705 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Photography course option

ART 4078 — 0 CREDIT HOURS
Mid-Program Review

ART HISTORY ELECTIVE — 3 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

I1: ART 2000 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Oral Communication and the Visual Arts

MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE MID PROGRAM REVIEW (GENERAL FINE ARTS)
- EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS (C OR BETTER IN ART CLASSES)
- STUDENT MUST DEVELOP AND SUBMIT A PLAN THAT OUTLINES HOW THEY WILL COMPLETE THEIR GFA STUDIO SEQUENCE FOR APPROVAL AS PART OF THE MID-PROGRAM REVIEW.

TERM 2: SPRING

ART 3802, 4803, OR 4804 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Printmaking course option

ART 3902 OR 3903 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
Sculpture course option

GENERAL FINE ART ELECTIVE — 3 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

S2: SOCIAL SCIENCE — 3 CREDIT HOURS

A: HUMANITIES — 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONES:
- EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS (C OR BETTER IN ART CLASSES)
- DISCUSS WITH ADVISOR AND FACULTY MENTOR HOW THE STUDENT WILL FULFILL THE 12 HRS. OF THE REQUIRED ART GENERAL FINE ART STUDIO CLASSES

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 30 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK
- Continue taking University Core classes.
- Secondary Art Core.
- Choose your concentration.
- Mid-Program Review.
- Continue meeting with art mentor.
- Take ART 2000, ART 2201 and 2202.

FIND YOUR PLACE
- Volunteer to help out at Art Infuse and Art Incend.
- Continue meeting with art mentor.
- Attend visiting artist presentation.
- Enter work into The Eclectic.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES
- Participate in Critique with a Visiting Artist.
- Attend a visiting artist lecture.
- Initiate an SRAP grant with art faculty.
- GPA 3.2 or above? Consider applying to the Honors Program.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS
- Seek out an Internship.
- Study Abroad.
- Visit Atlanta, see what it has to offer: The High Museum, MoCA GA, Atlanta Contemporary Arts Center, Binders, Sam Flax, etc.
- Participate in Art Takeover

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF
- Utilize the free and confidential resources at the campus Counseling Center if needed.
- Take a group fitness class, explore the outdoors, or use the gym at University Recreation.

PAVE YOUR PATH
- Draft Artist Statement and think about Resume development (experience, skills, exhibitions).
- Submit work to the Juried Student Exhibition.
- Take part in the Art Atelier.
- Apply for a Student Assistant position.

YEAR 4

TERM 1: FALL

ART 4998 — 0 CREDIT HOURS

ART STUDIO ELECTIVE — 3 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

GENERAL FINE ART STUDIO — 6 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

P2: POLS 1101 — 3 CREDIT HOURS
American Government

T3: STEM COURSE — 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE CAPSTONE I
- APPLY FOR GRADUATION
- EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS (C OR BETTER IN ART CLASSES)

TERM 2: SPRING

ART 4999 — 0 CREDIT HOURS

GENERAL FINE ART STUDIO — 6 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

ART STUDIO ELECTIVE — 3 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

ART STUDIO ELECTIVE — 3 CREDIT HOURS
See Advisor for Approved List of Electives

MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE CAPSTONE II
- EARN 12 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS (C OR BETTER IN ART CLASSES)
- COMPLETE 120 CREDIT HOURS (GRADUATE)

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 12 SPRING CREDIT HOURS = 27 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK
- Finish University Core classes.
- Capstone 1 & 2.

FIND YOUR PLACE
- Visit the Office of Career and Graduate School Connections to help you determine next steps for your academic or professional goals.
- Present your art or art history research at Scholars' Day.
- Meet with your art mentor, talk about your post-graduation goals.
- Consider becoming a Peer Tutor.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES
- Enter a national or regional juried exhibition.
- Travel to a professional Symposium/Conference. The Office of Undergraduate Research can help you find funding if needed.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS
- Go to a Conference or Symposium.
- Organize a gallery trip.
- Be part of a UWG volunteer program.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF
- Practice mindfulness and stress reduction techniques.
- Connect with like-minded peers on campus through the Center for Student Involvement and Inclusion.
- Plan to stay connected to UWG after you graduate. Visit the UWG Alumni Association.

PAVE YOUR PATH
- Prepare Resume/Portfolio.
- Apply for Jobs/Graduate School.
- Hold a leadership position (i.e. ASU President).
- Explore residency opportunities.