ART HISTORY

Why are images important? How do we read artworks? What do objects made in bygone eras tell us about those times, and what do these interpretations tell us about ourselves? Art history majors learn to look carefully, analyze information and produce researched narratives that clarify why art matters.

PROGRAMS



DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Bachelor of Arts in History
- Art History Minor
- Museum Studies, Certificate

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Art history majors learn to look carefully, analyze information, and produce research-informed narratives that clarify why art matters. To this end, students learn about major movements, artists, and artworks in relation to their sociocultural contexts. Courses provide a chronological overview of the history of world art, in-depth study through practicing critical analysis and research writing, and opportunities for obtaining real-world experience.

REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Fine Arts
- Critical Thinking
- Public Speaking
- Cultural Appreciation
- Research
- Writing Skills

CAREERS

- Creator
- Teacher
- Museum Director
- Producer
- Marketing Coordinator
- Photographer

EMPLOYERS

- 410 Project
- Capstone Publishing
- Fort Wayne Civic Theatre
- Girl Scouts River Valleys Council
- Reallife Cooperative of Savage
- LifeTouch

INSPIRED ACTION



EMPLOYMENT RATE

83.3%

of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

Graduates: 10 Respondents: 7 link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up

MEDIAN SALARY

\$51,660

The median annual wage for Arts and Design occupations in May 2023.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Arts and Design occupations, at link.mnsu.edu/art-history-salary

PROGRAM WEBSITE



hss.mnsu.edu/art

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN - ART HISTORY, BA

First Year (Fall)	First Year (Spring)		
ART 101 Design Foundations (3) ART 260 Art History Survey I (3) World Languages Course (4-5) General Education Course (3) General Education (1-2)	ART 261 Art History Survey II (3) World Languages Course (4-5) General Education (3-4) General Education Course (3)		
Second Year (Fall)	Second Year (Spring)		
ART 460 Ancient Art (3) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (4)	ART 417 Medieval Art (3) OR ART 467 Art of the Islamic World (3) ART 462 Renaissance Art (3) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3)		
Third Year (Fall)	Third Year (Spring)		
ART 466 Realism to Postmodernism (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (3) General Education (1)	ART 417 Medieval Art (3) OR ART 467 Art of the Islamic World (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) Elective Course in Minor (3)		
Fourth Year (Fall)	Fourth Year (Spring)		
ART 391 Portfolio Review (0) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Minor (3)	ART 496 Senior Thesis (1) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Major (3)		

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