Art A.A. Degree

FULL TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2026-27

GE Pattern: Cal-GETC

Total Units: 63

First Year

Semester 1

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	ART 300 Drawing and Composition I	3		
Req	ART 320 Design: Fundamentals	3		
GE	ENGL C1000 College Composition **or** ENGL C1000H[H] Honors College Composition	3 3		1A
GE	MATH 300 Introduction to Mathematical Ideas	3		2
GE	any Area 4 (Social & Behavioral Sciences) course (from 2 academic disciplines)	3		4

Semester 2

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	ART 370 Three Dimensional Design	3		
Req	ARTH C1100 Art: Stone Age Through the Middle Ages	3		3A
RE	ART 304 Figure Drawing I	3	ART 300	
RE	ART 390 Ceramics	3		
GE	any Area 1C (Oral Communication) course	3		1C

Second Year

Semester 3

16 Units

TRANSFER PATH

Potential Transfer Majors:

- Art B.A.

Potential Career/Options After Completing a Bachelor's Degree:

A degree in Art prepares students for a career in art, illustration, art administration, and many other art fields, as well as providing many transferable skills like creativity, problem solving, flexibility, and patience.

Advising Notes:

- This map is designed for students who are able to take 12 units or more each semester, which is considered a full-time load. It shows one possible way to finish the program in two years. See a counselor to adjust the coursework to meet your specific needs.
- This degree can be completed using either the local AA/AS general education (GE) pattern or the Cal-GETC transfer GE pattern. See a counselor to determine which pattern is best for you based on your academic goals.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly known as ENGWR 300/480).

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	ARTH 308 Renaissance Tradition in Art	3		
RE	ARTPH 305 Digital Photography	3		
RE	ART 361 Printmaking: Survey	3		
GE	any Area 1B (Critical Thinking and Composition) course	3		1B
GE	any Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course	3		5B
GE	any Area 5C (Science Lab) course[1]	1		5C

[1] The Area 5C (Science Lab) course must correspond with either the Area 5A (Physical Sciences) or Area 5B (Biological Sciences) course and must be taken concurrently or after the lecture course.

Semester 4

17 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	ART 442 Introduction to Art Gallery Operations	2	(see below)	
RE	ART 327 Painting I	3	ART 300 or 320	
GE	any Area 3B (Humanities) course	3		3B
GE	any Area 4 (Social & Behavioral Sciences) course (from 2 academic disciplines)	3		4
GE	any Area 5A (Physical Sciences) course	3		5A
GE	any Area 6 (Ethnic Studies) course	3		6

ART 442 prerequisite: Successful completion of two studio courses from ART, ARTNM, or ARTPH

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES		
Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list

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Other Notes to Students Preparing to Transfer:

- Students will want to use work created in all of the art courses to build a portfolio, which is often a requirement for transfer into an art program.
- See ASSIST.ORG for the transfer requirements of the institution to which you plan to transfer.
- The CSU system requires every student receiving a bachelor's degree to be knowledgeable about the Constitution of the United States, American history, and state and local government. This requirement is generally known as the American Institutions requirement. Students can complete this requirement at ARC before transferring. See a counselor for a list of approved courses.

Honors Courses (H):

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or better who complete 15 or more units of Honors coursework earn an Honors Transfer Certificate and can take advantage of honors-to-honors transfer agreements with highly selective colleges and universities, both public and private.