

COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Arts – Art History Concentration

This degree map is based on the current Academic Catalog and is subject to change. Please note that the degree map is designed to give you a sense of roughly how courses might be distributed over a 4-year degree. Your exact schedule will differ depending on a range of factors though we recommend taking a minimum of 15 credits each fall and spring semester. Regular consultation with your academic advisor is the best way to make sure that you are taking the courses you need in the right order to ensure efficient progress through your degree program.

Sample 4-Year Plan

VISUAL ARTS

First Year					
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits		
ART 100 2D Foundations	3	ART 190 Digital Foundations	3		
Recommended: Gen Ed (1/15) WRIT 103 Foundations in Composition	3	ART 101 3D Foundations	3		
Gen Ed - First Year Seminar (2/15)	3	ARTH 210 Ancient to Medieval Art	3		
Gen Ed course (3/15)	3	Gen Ed Course (5/15)	3		
Gen Ed Course (4/15)	3	Gen Ed Course (6/15)	3		
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15		

Second Year					
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits		
ARTH 220 Renaissance to Contemporary	3	Visual Arts Elective (1/3)	3		
Gen Ed History or Global Perspectives: Art History Course Non-Western (7/15)	3	Visual Arts Elective (2/3)	3		
Free Elective course	3	Gen Ed Course (10/15)	3		
Gen Ed course (8/15)	3	Gen Ed Course (11/15)	3		
Gen Ed Course (9/15)	3	Gen Ed Course (12/15)	3		
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15		

Third Year					
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits		
Upper level Art History course (1/3)	3	Upper level Art History course (2/3)	3		
Visual Arts Elective (3/3)	3	Free Elective course	3		
Free Elective course	3	Free Elective course	3		
Gen Ed – Arts/Music, Theater, or Dance (13/15)	3	Free Elective course	3		
Gen Ed course (14/15)	3	Gen Ed course (15/15)	3		
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15		

Fourth Year				
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits	
Upper level Art History course (3/3)	3	Art History Capstone (students choose one): ARTH 410 Independent Study in Art History ARTH 498 Internship in Art History ARTH 490 ART History Research Capstone	3	
Free Elective course	3	RECOMMENDED: Art History elective	3	
Free Elective course	3	Free Elective course	3	
Free Elective course	3	Free Elective course	3	
Free Elective course	3	Free Elective course	3	
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15	

Winter/Summer College - Optional

While not required, Winter and Summer sessions are offered each year and may help you stay on track or get ahead. You may take up to seven (7) credits during Winter College and up to 14 credits during Summer College.

VISUAL ARTS BA (Art History)

Curriculum Checklist

42 credits

Foundations (15 credits)

- ____ ART 100 2D Foundations (3)
- ____ ART 101 3D Foundations (3)
- ____ ART 190 Digital Foundations (3)
- ____ ARTH 210 Ancient to Medieval Art (3)
- ____ ARTH 220 Renaissance to Contemporary Art (3)

Concentration (15 credits)

- ____ Non-Western Art History Course (3)
- ARTH 230; 253; 311*; 330*; 340*; or 350*
- Three Upper Level courses in Art History (9)
- ARTH 230; 251; 252; 253; 257; 302*; 303*; 304*; 307*; 308*; 309*; 310*; 311*; 340*; 350*; or 370*
- ____ Capstone Course: Choose one (3):
 - ARTH 410* Independent Study in Art History (3)
 - ARTH 498* Internship in Art History (3)
 - ARTH 490* Art History Research Capstone (3)

Visual Arts Electives (12 credits)

- ___ RECOMMENDED: Art History Elective (3) (EXCLUDING ARTH 110 and ARTH 120)
- ___ RECOMMENDED: Art History Elective (3) (EXCLUDING ARTH 110 and ARTH 120)
- __ Choose two Visual Arts Electives (ART; GRDS or ARTH) (3)
- EXCLUDING ARTH 110 and ARTH 120



General Education Requirements

(45 credits)

Note: Some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in your major program including directed Gen Ed courses noted below

- Foundations (15 credits)
 - Directed Gen Ed in History Choose one:
 - o ARTH 230 Intro to Asian Art
 - ARTH 257 History of the Art Market
 - ARTH 302* The Greco-Roman World
 - ARTH 303* Medieval Art and Society
 - ARTH 304* Italian Renaissance Art
 - ARTH 307* 19th Century Art
 - ARTH 340* Islamic Art and Architecture
- Interconnections (9 credits)
- Citizenship & Responsibility (6 credits from at least two goals)
 - Directed Gen Ed Global Perspectives, **Choose one:** o ARTH 253 History of Fiber and Fashion
 - ARTH 330* Latin American Art
 - ARTH 350* Latin American Art
 ARTH 350* Art of Africa and Oceania
- Natural World & Technologies (9 credits)
- Creativity & Expression (6 credits)
 - ARTS NASAD Requirement = Choose one:
 - Any course in Music, Theater or Dance

Degree Requirements

All students must obtain a minimum of 120 credits, complete all General Education requirements, and all requirements for the selected major. Meet with your advisor and consult Degree Works to monitor your progress and for all graduation requirements.

A minimum GPA of 2.0 in the major and overall are required.

*Denotes advanced coursework Students must take a minimum of 42 credits of advanced coursework. Advanced coursework can be met in major courses, minor courses, free elective courses, and general education courses. Courses that meet this requirement are designated in Banner.