

Art



Student Success Center
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USM Art Department

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POSSIBLE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Additional education, training or experience may be required.

- Agent/Business Manager or Artists & Performers Archivists, Curator, and Museum Technicians
- Arts, Entertainment and Recreation Industry Guide
- Art Director
- Art Therapists
- Art and Drama Teachers, Post-secondary
- Commercial and Industrial Designers
- Desktop Publishers
- Fashion Designers
- Floral Designers
- Graphic Designers
- Jewelers/Precious Stone and Metal Workers
- Kindergarten Teacher
- Makeup Artist
- Multimedia Artists and Animators
- Painters, Sculptors, and Illustrators
- Photographers

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

USM ART is a nationally accredited program that prides itself on giving students a rigorous studio experience, historical understanding of the complexity of art practices, and the critical skills needed to become informed visual artists, art educators and art historians.

USM ART offers a liberal arts degrees in art history, studio arts, and art and entrepreneurial studies, which combines study of studio arts with courses in business, financial management and marketing. Students can customize their experience within these various degree options to meet their own needs.

USM ART programs offer a low student-teacher ratio, mentorship and peer learning. A sense of community flourishes within the department and is reinforced by the dedicated and attentive staff, who are all practicing artists or art historians. Capstone seminars are also offered in art education and art history.

DEGREES & CONCENTRATIONS OFFERED

Graduation Planner: usm.maine.edu/success/gradplanner

Degree Offered: Bachelor of Arts

Major Offered: Art

Concentrations Offered: Art and Entrepreneurial Studies
Art History

Minors Offered: Art History
Studio Art

ACQUIRED TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Ability to Work in Teams or Independently

Complex Problem Solving/Analysis

Communication-Oral and Written

Establishing and Maintaining Relationships

Judgment and Decision Making

Manual Dexterity

Originality & Creative Thinking

Organizing, Planning, and Prioritizing Work

Selling or Influencing Others

Thinking Creatively

Visualization & Visual Color Discrimination

For more information on transferable skills go to:
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WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS MAJOR?*

AREA	EMPLOYERS	INFORMATION/STRATEGIES
ART MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES Administration Curatorial Conservation Publications Exhibit Design/Prep	Government or private museums Local historical societies Galleries	-Intern or volunteer in an art museum. -Develop strength in art history areas. -Earn a business minor. -Acquire strong skills in research, fund-raising, speaking, and writing. -Earn an advanced degree for greater career opportunities. -Each specialty has varying qualifications and required training. -Develop good interpersonal skills, including teamwork.
COMMERCIAL ART Computer Graphics Advertising Medical/Scientific Illus. Animation	Advertising agencies Design/manufacturing firms Publishing companies Television/motion picture industry Internet media companies	-Maintain an up-to-date physical and digital portfolio of your work. -Gain relevant experience through part-time jobs and internships. -Develop attention to detail and ability to meet deadlines. -Supplement curriculum with course work in advertising or business. -For medical illustration, take coursework in anatomy and biology.
MEDIA Journalism: Production Design, Art Criticism Video or Illustration Animation/Cartoons	Newspapers Magazines Websites Book publishers	-Develop excellent grammar and writing skills. -Learn HTML and other computer programs to prepare for online work. -Become comfortable working in a deadline-oriented atmosphere. -Work with campus or local newspapers. -Create a portfolio of work samples, especially published works.
To learn about these areas and much more visit: whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major © 2011 What Can I Do With This Major - The University of Tennessee		

ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Internships

ART 400 Internship in the Visual Arts
For more information Contact Department.

Study Abroad

FMI contact USM International Programs.
usm.maine.edu/international

Clubs & Organizations

Community of Arts -Living Learning and Life Style Floors, [Words and Images](#), [Free Press](#), For a complete list of student organizations:
webapp.usm.maine.edu/pathways/list

USM Corporate Partners

The USM Corporate Partners are over 350 business people, from nearly 100 companies.
usm.maine.edu/corporatepartners

Fun Facts

Did you know? The current record highest price paid for a painting is for The Card Players by Paul Cézanne, which sold for more than \$250 million in 2011.

HELPFUL CAREER LINKS

USM e-Recruiting: USM's career network for job and internship searches. usm.experience.com

O*NET OnLine: Learn more about a career opportunity by researching it with O*NET. onetonline.org

Occupational Outlook Handbook: Learn more about a career opportunity by researching it with OOH. bls.gov/oooh

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS *to name a few...*

[American Institute of Graphic Arts](#)

[The Society of Illustrators](#)

[National Cartoonists Society](#)

[Association of Medical Illustrators](#)

[Press Photographers - Careers in Photojournalism](#)

[American Association of Art Museums](#)

[Animation World Network](#)

[American Art Therapy Association](#)

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