Art and Design at NMU

The objective of the Art and Design Department is to prepare students for participation in the professional fields of art, design and education, broadening the scope of their experience by providing intellectual support for art beyond the limits of studio skills. The department, through Northern Michigan University’s DeVos Art Museum, also provides students with exposure to exhibitions exemplifying the cultural breadth of the visual arts from national, regional and local sources, including the university’s permanent art collection. Graduates of the program are employed throughout the country in careers ranging from art directors and art teachers to entrepreneurs of large and small enterprises.

Liberal studies and art courses are combined in programs that lead to the bachelor of fine arts, bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, or a two-year associate of applied arts degree. The department also offers the required courses for art teacher certification, a non-teaching art and design minor and an art history minor.

The department provides support courses in the technical communications major (see “Interdisciplinary and Individually Created Programs” section of this bulletin). Information for students interested in a career in architecture can be found in the “Preprofessional Programs” section.

All of the department’s faculty members are regionally and nationally recognized for their work.

In each area of concentration, the Art and Design curriculum provides students with a broad knowledge of concepts, social issues, procedures and tools to prepare them for the design and production of art objects at a professional level. Areas of concentration include:

- ceramics
- electronic imaging
- environmental design
- digital cinema
- drawing/painting
- furniture design
- graphic communication
- illustration
- jewelry/metalsmithing/blacksmithing
- photography
- printmaking
- product design
- sculpture
- woodworking

Student Organizations

- Art Students League
- National/Michigan Art Education Association

Department Facilities

The Art and Design department has professionally equipped, safe, and new, state-of-the-art studios to support 14 concentrations. The following equipment is included in the classroom/studios:

- large induction furnace
- ceramic kilns
- casting and blacksmithing facilities
- computer labs
- woodworking, papermaking, digital video facilities
- photography darkrooms (color and black and white)
- professionally equipped lighting studios

The library collection in Art and Design includes:

- over 10,000 volumes
- 50 journals and periodicals
- large slide collection

The department has the DeVos Art Museum and a museum director for its many national, regional, local, faculty and student exhibitions, as well as the Students’ Art Gallery.

Types of Course Offerings

The following courses provide artists with greater depth in the supporting knowledge of the visual arts. The study of humans, their behavior and the context of art are incorporated into the content of all major courses.

Concentration: Courses comprising one studio area or studio concentration—100-, 200-, and seminar-level courses.

Cognates: Courses developing the concepts drawn from sociology, psychology, and the physical sciences that are used by artists.
Art History: Courses devoted to the study of Western and non-Western art and architecture within a historical framework. Since Art and Design is primarily a studio department, art history courses take as their central concern (though not exclusive) concepts that are relevant to the studio artist.

Individual Art Review: A series of courses required of art and design majors to develop at each level as professional artists. All work is evaluated by the faculty.

Associate Research: Courses arranged with the major professor of the studio concentration for students working toward an associate degree. Courses offer an opportunity for students to advance their skills and experience with studio equipment.

Department/Program Policies
Students must purchase supplies individually and/or contribute to a purchasing cooperative for the studio courses in which they are enrolled.

Community college transfers should take liberal studies courses and art courses in the areas of design, drawing and history of western art.

Students majoring in art and design education must maintain a grade point average of 2.70 or greater with no grade below a “C” in the professional education sequence, the major and/or minors and required cognates combined.

Prerequisites for Individual Art Review
Students registering for AD 203 Individual Art Review, AD 303 Individual Art Review and AD 403 Individual Art Review must complete the following prerequisites prior to enrollment:
1. Instructor permission.
2. Receive a grade of “S” in all previous Individual Art Review courses.
3. Complete the required lower cognate courses and their selected studio concentration with a “B-” (2.70) average.

Criteria for Remaining in the Art and Design Program
1. Students in AD 203 Individual Art Review must receive a grade of “S” to proceed into upper-level courses in art and design.
2. Students in AD 303 Individual Art Review must also receive a passing grade of “S.”
3. Both courses may be repeated, but students receiving one or more grades of “U” or Withdrawal will not be allowed to continue in the program.

Bachelor Degree Programs
Liberal Studies: Complete information on the liberal studies requirements and additional graduation requirements, including the health promotion requirement, is in the “Liberal Studies Program and Graduation Requirements” section of this bulletin (38-44).

Courses within each major that can be used to satisfy liberal studies requirements are listed with the Roman numeral (in brackets) that coincides with the liberal studies division the course falls under.

Art and Design Education Major
Teaching certification for K-12 art is obtained by completing a major/minor in art and design and the professional education sequence.

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<td>100 level art studios, including, if established by adviser, AD 120, AD 122 and AD 134.</td>
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Professional Education
ED 201 Introduction to Education 2
ED 231 Teaching and Learning in the Secondary Classroom 4
AD 248 Introduction to Art Education 4
ED 301 Dimensions of American Education 2
AD 302 Media and Methodology for Art Education 4
ED 319 Teaching of Reading for Secondary Teachers 3
ED 349 Teaching for Diversity, Equity and Social Justice in the Secondary School Community 2
AD 350 Curriculum Theory and Objectives in Art Education 4
AD 361 Teaching Special Education and the General Classroom Teacher 2
ED 483 Educational Media and Technology 2
ED 430 Teaching in the Secondary School 11
ED 450 Seminar in Teaching 1

Note: The art education courses listed above must be taken sequentially.

Art and Design Major with Double Minor
The major in art and design, together with minors in associated fields, prepares students especially well for particular career goals. This planning is done with the aid of faculty advisers.

Total Credits Required for Degree 125
Liberal Studies 30-40
Health Promotion 2

Required Courses in Major 43
AD 160 Physical Structures and Concepts 4
AD 175 Visual Structures and Concepts 4
AD 270 Social Structures and Concepts 4
AD 360 Methodology and Visual Form or AD 375 Perception and Visual Form 4
AD 470 Value and Visual Form 4

Art History Elective 4
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AD 200 Native American Art and Architecture of the Great Lakes (4 cr.) [VI]
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AD 355 Twentieth Century Art and Architecture (4 cr.) [VI]
AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design (4 cr.)

Individual Art Review
AD 103 Individual Art Review 1
AD 203 Individual Art Review 2
AD 303 Individual Art Review 2
AD 403 Individual Art Review 2

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Art and Design Major with Single Minor
The major-minor combination provides breadth and depth of experience for professional performance while allowing students to minor in an area of art and design according to their interests or specific vocational aims.

Total Credits Required for Degree 125
Liberal Studies 30-40
Health Promotion 2

Required Courses in Major-Minor 63
AD 160 Physical Structures and Concepts 4
AD 175 Visual Structures and Concepts 4
AD 270 Social Structures and Concepts 4
AD 360 Methodology and Visual Form
AD 375 Perception and Visual Form or AD 470 Value and Visual Form 4

Art History Electives 8
Choose from the following:
AD 200 Native American Art and Architecture of the Great Lakes (4 cr.) [VI]
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Minor 20
Outside the Art and Design Department 20

Additional Minor 20
Outside the Art and Design Department 20
**Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree**

This degree is for students who wish to be fully prepared professionals in the visual arts with the appropriate credentials for participation in professional associations in various fields of art and design. The program combines the advantages of professional art school experience with the university's concern for intellectual support of professional action. It prepares students to participate more broadly in the arts beyond the limits of studio skills.

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**Art and Design Concentrations**

- **Ceramics**
  - General Requirements 59
  - AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4
  - Specific Requirements 28
  - AD 116 Sculpture 4
  - AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4
  - AD 216 Sculpture: Bronze and Aluminum Casting 4
  - AD 220 Drawing/Illustration 4
  - Metalworking or Woodworking Elective 4
  - Art and Design Electives 8

- **Digital Cinema**
  - General Requirements 59
  - AD 117 Photography: Black and White 4
  - AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication 4
  - AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction 4
  - AD 234 Electronic Imaging: Web Design 4
  - AD 334 Electronic Imaging: 3D 4
  - Art and Design Electives 8

- **Drawing and Painting**
  - General Requirements 59
  - AD 250 History of Western Art and Architecture 4
  - AD 355 Twentieth Century Art and Architecture 4
  - Specific Requirements 28
  - AD 115 Printmaking: Serigraphy and Intaglio 4
  - AD 117 Photography: Black and White 4
  - AD 122 Ceramics: Handbuilding Techniques or AD 116 Sculpture or AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication
  - Art and Design Electives 16

- **Electronic Imaging**
  - General Requirements 59
  - AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4
  - AD 117 Photography: Black and White 4
  - AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication or AD 218 Graphic Communication: Studio Practices
  - Art and Design Electives 16

Because of the nature of the differences in the BFA vocational applications, each concentration requires a different set of support courses. The specific requirements for each concentration follow.
### Environmental Design

**General Requirements** 59
- AD 260 Why America Looks This Way 4  
  *Required as part of the art history electives.*

**Specific Requirements** 28
- DD 100 Technical Drafting with Introduction to CAD 4  
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4  
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction 4  
- AD 234 Electronic Imaging: Digital Photography, Animation and Desktop Video 4  
- DD 102 Engineering Graphics or  
  DD 302 Architectural Drawing: Residential or  
- DD 303 Architectural Drawing: Commercial 4  
- AD 116 Sculpture or  
  AD 122 Ceramics: Handbuilding Techniques or  
- AD 123 Jewelry/Metalsmithing or  
- AD 124 Woodworking: Joinery and Greenwood 4

**Art and Design Electives** 4  
- Students may substitute geography or drawing and design courses with adviser approval.

### Furniture Design

**General Requirements** 59
- AD 360 Methodology and Visual Form 4  
  *Required as part of the cognate electives.*  
- AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4  
  *Required as part of the art history electives.*

**Specific Requirements** 28
- AD 116 Sculpture 4  
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4  
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction or  
  AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication or  
- AD 129 Environmental Design: Image Basis or  
- AD 334 Electronic Imaging: 3D 4

**Art and Design Electives** 16

### Graphic Design

**General Requirements** 59
- AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4  
  *Required as part of the art history electives.*

**Specific Requirements** 28
- AD 116 Sculpture 4  
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4  
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction 4  
- AD 216 Sculpture: Bronze and Aluminum Casting 4  
- WD 140 Introduction to Welding 4

**Art and Design Electives** 12  
- Students may substitute engineering technology courses with adviser approval.

### Illustration

**General Requirements** 59
- AD 250 History of Western Art and Architecture 4  
- AD 355 Twentieth Century Art and Architecture 4  
- AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4  
  *All are required as part of the art history electives.*

**Specific Requirements** 28
- AD 114 Painting 4  
- AD 117 Photography: Black and White 4  
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction 4  
- AD 234 Electronic Imaging: Web Design 4  
- AD 334 Electronic Imaging: 3D 4  
- AD 434 Electronic Imaging: Seminar 4  
- AD 116 Sculpture or  
  AD 122 Ceramics: Handbuilding Techniques or  
- AD 123 Jewelry/Metalsmithing or  
- AD 124 Woodworking: Joinery and Greenwood 4

### Jewelry, Metalsmithing and Blacksmithing

**General Requirements** 59  
- AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4  
  *Required as part of the art history electives.*

**Specific Requirements** 28
- AD 116 Sculpture 4  
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4  
- AD 216 Sculpture: Bronze and Aluminum Casting 4  
- WD 140 Introduction to Welding 4

**Art and Design Electives** 12  
- Students may substitute engineering technology courses with adviser approval.

### Photography

**General Requirements** 59

**Specific Requirements** 28
- AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication 4  
- AD 121 Digital Cinema: Introduction 4  
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction 4  
- AD 221 Digital Cinema: Animation or  
  AD 234 Electronic Imaging: Web Design 4

**Art and Design Electives** 12

### Printmaking

**General Requirements** 59

**Specific Requirements** 28
- AD 117 Photography: Black and White 4  
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4  
- AD 220 Drawing/Painting 4  
- AD 320 Drawing/Painting/Papermaking Seminar 4

**Art and Design Electives** 12
Art and Design Associate Degree Program
Associate of Applied Arts

This two-year art curriculum leads to an associate degree in one of three area majors: **media illustration**—electronic imaging (drawing/painting), drawing/painting, illustration, printmaking; **crafts**—ceramics, sculpture, metalworking, woodworking, product design/furniture design; or **industrial media**—electronic imaging (publishing, modeling), graphic communication, photography, digital cinema, environmental design.

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<td>Choose a 100 or 200 level courses from each of the two areas not chosen for the major.</td>
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*The media illustration concentration requires one additional course.

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**Product Design**

**General Requirements**
- AD 360 Methodology and Visual Form 4
- AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4

**Specific Requirements**
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4
- AD 122 Ceramics: Handbuilding Techniques 4
- AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication or 4
- AD 129 Environmental Design: Image Basis or 4
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction or 4
- AD 334 Electronic Imaging: 3D 4

**Art and Design Electives**
- Note: AD 124 or AD 224 count for the 100-level product design course in the art and design concentration. AD 123 or AD 223 count for the 200-level product design course.

**Sculpture**

**General Requirements**
- AD 355 Twentieth Century Art and Architecture 4

**Specific Requirements**
- AD 120 Drawing/Illustration 4
- AD 123 Jewelry/Metalsmithing 4
- AD 122 Ceramics: Handbuilding Techniques 4
- AD 223 Jewelry/Metalsmithing/Blacksmithing: Functional/Ornamental 4
- WD 140 Introduction to Welding 4

**Art and Design Electives**
- Students may substitute industrial technology courses with adviser approval.

**Woodworking**

**General Requirements**
- AD 360 Methodology and Visual Form 4
- AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design 4

**Specific Requirements**
- AD 116 Sculpture 4
- AD 118 Introduction to Graphic Communication or 4
- AD 129 Environmental Design: Image Basis or 4
- AD 134 Electronic Imaging: Introduction or 4
- AD 334 Electronic Imaging: 3D 4

**Art and Design Electives**
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MINOR PROGRAMS

Art and Design Minor

Total Credits Required for Minor 20
AD 175 Visual Structures and Concepts 4
Art and Design Electives 16

Students can either (1) choose from a broad range of art history and studio courses or (2) develop skills at a more advanced level by selecting all courses from a single area of concentration.

Note: This minor is not approved for teacher certification.

Art History Minor

The art history minor offers a unique combination of art history classes that address the varied interests of students. All courses within the minor are taught in a way that is relevant to the art major as well as the general student population.

Total Credits Required for Minor 20
AD 175 Visual Structures and Concepts 4
AD 300 Japan and the West* or
AD 355 Twentieth Century Art and Architecture (4 cr.) or
AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design (4 cr.)

Art and Design Electives 12
Choose from the following:
AD 200 Native American Art and Architecture of the Great Lakes (4 cr.)
AD 250 History of Western Art and Architecture (4 cr.)
AD 260 Why America Looks This Way (4 cr.)
AD 265 Art and Architecture of Japan* (4 cr.)
AD 300 Japan and the West: Crosscurrents in Art and Architecture (4 cr.)
AD 355 Twentieth Century Art and Architecture (4 cr.)
AD 365 History of Modern Craft and Design (4 cr.)

*Students may not apply both AD 265 and AD 300 toward the minor.