

# VISUAL ARTS (B.A.)

The Visual Arts Major is most suited for students seeking a diversified academic experience combined with a focus in art. Approximately one-third of the curriculum is based in studio courses and two-thirds in general education subjects, allowing students to explore their studio concentration within the context of a broad liberal arts education. The program is based in the Department of Art and Design (<http://www.montclair.edu/art-and-design/>). For further information, go to: Visual Arts, (BA). (<https://www.montclair.edu/art-and-design/academic-programs/undergraduate-programs/visual-arts-ba/>)

120 credits of coursework is required for the baccalaureate degree with a minimum 2.0 overall GPA, and a minimum 2.0 major GPA.

## Program Requirements Overview

Code	Title	Credits
	General Education Requirements	36
	World Languages and Cultures Requirements	3-9
	Major Requirements	60-63
	Free Electives	21-12
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>120</b>

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Department Core Requirements</b>		
ARFD 101	Surface	3
ARFD 103	Color and Light	3
VIST 102	Visual Culture	3
<b>Program Core Requirements</b>		
ARFD 100	Perceptual Drawing	3
ARFD 104	Space	3
ARFD 200	Time	3
ARST 301	Integrative Studio I	3
ARST 312	Art Forum	3
ARST 404	Integrative Studio II	3
ARST 406	Integrative Studio III	3
VIST 106	Modern Visions 1400-1945	3
VIST 205	History of Contemporary Art	3
VIST 305	Theories of Looking: Critical Theory and Visual Culture	3
ENTR 201 or ENTR 260	The Entrepreneurial Mindset and Innovation Introduction to Innovation and 3D Printing	3
COED 401 or ARST 450	Cooperative Education Experience I Professional Practices in the Visual Arts	3
<b>Lower Level Major Electives</b>		
Complete four courses from the list below.		12
<b>Upper Level Major Elective</b>		
Complete one course from the list below.		3-6
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>60-63</b>

## Lower Level Major Electives

Code	Title	Credits
ARST 201	Objects in Clay	3
ARST 202	3D and Extended Media	3
ARST 203	Accessory Design	3
ARST 204	Painting	3
ARST 205	Photography	3
ARST 206	Printmaking	3
ARST 207	Sculpture	3

## Upper Level Major Electives

Code	Title	Credits
ARED 463	Art in the Community	3
ARGS 480	Field Trip in Studio	2-8
ARST 305	Commercial Photography	3
ARST 308	Aural Electronics	3
ARST 309	Art and Games	3
ARST 321	Ceramics and Digital Prototyping	3
ARST 322	Visual Programming	3
ARST 450	Professional Practices in the Visual Arts (only available as an elective if COED 401 has been completed in the Program Core.)	3
ENTR 301	Creating Your Startup Business Model	3
ENTR 360	Advanced Innovation and Digitally Mediated Making	3
ENTR 460	Applied Digital Innovation Design, and Lean Fabrication	3

## General Education Requirements

Click here for a list of courses that fulfill General Education categories. (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/general-education-requirements-ba-bs/>)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>A. New Student Seminar</b>		
Complete a 1 credit New Student Seminar course.		1
<b>C. Communication</b>		
1. Writing		3
2. Literature		3
3. Communication		3
<b>D. Fine and Performing Arts</b>		
ARFD 100	Perceptual Drawing (Fulfilled in the major.)	
<b>F. Humanities</b>		
1. Great Works and Their Influences		
VIST 106	Modern Visions 1400-1945 (Fulfilled in the major.)	
2. Philosophical and Religious Perspectives		3
<b>G. Computer Science</b>		
Complete a 3 credit Computer Science course.		3
<b>H. Mathematics</b>		
Complete a 3 credit Mathematics course.		3
<b>I. Natural Science Laboratory</b>		
Complete a 4 credit Natural Science Laboratory course.		4
<b>J. Physical Education</b>		
Complete a 1 credit Physical Education course.		1

**K. Social Science**

1. American and European History	3
2. Global Cultural Perspectives	3
3. Social Science Perspectives	3

**L. Interdisciplinary Studies**

Complete a 3 credit Interdisciplinary Studies course.	3
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**Total Credits** **36**

## World Languages and Cultures Requirements

Click here for a list of courses that fulfill World Languages and Cultures categories. (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/world-languages-and-cultures-requirements/>)

Code	Title	Credits
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**World Languages**

Based on language placement exam, complete one or two sequential 3-6 courses in the same language. **Requirement is automatically fulfilled by language major courses.**

**World Cultures**

Requirement may be fulfilled by course selected in General Education 0-3 - Social Science: Global Cultural Perspectives. Requirement may also be fulfilled by major coursework. See list of courses.

**Total Credits** **3-9**

## Recommended Roadmap to Degree Completion

This four-year plan is provided as an outline for students to follow in order to complete their degree requirements within four years. This plan is a recommendation and students should only use it in consultation with their academic advisor.

**First Year**

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
GENERAL EDUCATION: (A) New Student Seminar		1 GENERAL EDUCATION: (C2) Literature	3
GENERAL EDUCATION: (C1) Writing		3 GENERAL EDUCATION: (H) Mathematics	3
ARFD 101		3 ARFD 103	3
ARFD 100		3 ARFD 200	3
ARFD 104		3 VIST 106	3
VIST 102		3	
<b>16</b>		<b>15</b>	

**Second Year**

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
GENERAL EDUCATION: (C3) Communication		3 GENERAL EDUCATION: (F2) Humanities – Philosophical and Religious Perspectives	3
GENERAL EDUCATION: (I) Natural Science Laboratory		4 GENERAL EDUCATION: (K1) Social Science – American and European History	3
VIST 205		3 ENTR 201 or 260	3

Lower Level Studio Elective 1	3	Lower Level Studio Elective 3	3
Lower Level Studio Elective 2		3 Free Elective or GENERAL EDUCATION: (L) Interdisciplinary Studies (if ENTR 260 is completed)	3
<b>16</b>		<b>15</b>	

**Third Year**

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
GENERAL EDUCATION: (K2) Social Science – Global Cultural Perspectives		3 GENERAL EDUCATION: (G) Computer Science	3
World Language 1		3 World Language 2	3
VIST 305		3 ARST 301	3
Lower Level Studio Elective 4		3 ARST 312	3
Upper Level Studio Elective		3 Free Elective	3
<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>	

**Fourth Year**

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
GENERAL EDUCATION: (K2) Social Science – Social Science Perspectives		3 GENERAL EDUCATION: (J) Physical Education	1
World Cultures		3 COED 401 or ARST 450	3
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
Free Elective		3 Free Elective	3
ARST 404		3 ARST 406	3
<b>15</b>		<b>13</b>	

**Total Credits 120**