ART PRACTICES - BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

The BA in art practices allows students to explore their interests and refine their skills in ceramics, Integrated Media Arts Practices/IMAP (photography, digital media, video, integrated arts), painting and drawing, printmaking, and sculpture and post-studio practice. Students gain a broad understanding of the field of contemporary art and experience in contemporary art practices while pursuing a liberal arts degree at the university.

*Portfolio submission is not required to declare art practices as a major or minor.*

**Required Courses**

Students must complete the general requirements of the College of Arts and Sciences and the required courses listed below. Students must complete 39 credits in the major. See the Art Practices - Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) (catalog.colorado.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/programs-study/art-art-history/art-practices-bachelor-fine-arts-bfa/) page for information about admission to the BFA program.

All required major courses must be passed with a C- or better and cannot be taken pass/fail. Students must have a grade point average of at least 2.00 in the major in order to graduate, and no more than 45 credits in ARTS may be applied to overall graduation requirements.

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**Recommended Four-Year Plan of Study**

Consult the Four-Year Guarantee Requirements for information on eligibility. The concept of "adequate progress" as it is used here only refers to maintaining eligibility for the four-year guarantee; it is not a requirement for the major. To maintain adequate progress toward a BA in studio arts, students should meet the following requirements:

- Declare major by the beginning of the second semester.
- Complete ARTS 1010 and ARTS 1020, two level-1 studio classes and lower-division art history courses by the end of the third semester.
- Complete 30–36 credits in the major by the end of the sixth semester.

Students must also complete at least 12 upper-division ARTS/ARTH courses on the Boulder campus after starting the program.

Through the required coursework for the major, students will fulfill all 12 credits of the Arts & Humanities area of the Gen Ed Distribution Requirement, as well as fulfilling both categories (Global Perspective and U.S. Perspective) of the Gen Ed Diversity Requirement.

The BA degree requires a minimum of 45 upper-division (3000- and 4000-level courses) credits. Students are encouraged to consult with their advisor to ensure this general BA degree requirement is met by the fourth year.
Learning Outcomes

The undergraduate degree in art practices emphasizes knowledge and awareness of:

- The significance of the major traditions in art history.
- At least one discipline of art practices.
- Related critical issues in art practice.
- A wide range of stylistic approaches.

In addition, students completing a degree in art practices are expected to acquire the ability and skills to:

- Analyze their own works of art in terms of form and content.
- Interpret the work of others.
- Execute ideas in one or more artistic media.
- Demonstrate artistic ability and technical proficiency in one chosen medium.
- Communicate in verbal and written form the particular conceptual and perceptual attitudes and stances of their own artistic production.