School of Visual and Media Arts

Art
Kevin Bell, Director

The School of Art provides a comprehensive education in studio art, including intensive hands-on studio practice, art history, criticism, and theory. Programs provide thorough professional training for students interested in careers in the field of art.

Degree offerings include the B.A., B.F.A., M.A., and M.F.A. in Art. Areas of specialization are Ceramics, Drawing, Painting, Photography, Printmaking and Sculpture. An M.A. degree in Art with concentrations in Studio Art and/or Art History is also offered, as well as courses that prepare students for licensure for teaching art.

Media Arts
Mark Shogren, Director

The School of Media Arts has degree programs at both undergraduate and graduate levels. The undergraduate program offers a B.A. degree that consists of a uniquely integrated curriculum centered in digital technology as a storytelling and artistic medium. The course of instruction is comprehensive and combines the areas of digital filmmaking and integrated digital media. The undergraduate program also offers a B.F.A. degree with specializations in

- Digital Filmmaking,
- Integrated Digital Media

The graduate program offers an M.F.A., which provides an intensive, dedicated program in either Digital Filmmaking or Integrated Digital Media. The Digital Filmmaking track offers the student comprehensive training in the areas of writing, directing and editing. The Integrated Digital Media track focuses on the areas of digital composing, digital image design, animation, and interactive digital media. In addition, the School has a comprehensive Media Arts Minor program and a substantial number of on-line courses and elective summer classes that provide students the opportunity to enhance the artistic part of their educational experience. For more information on the academic programs and to experience the creative work of Media Arts undergraduate and graduate students please visit the Media Arts website (https://catalog.umt.edu/pages/null/).

Advanced Placement Policy

All students, including those who have taken AP examinations, must submit a portfolio to challenge art courses. Undergraduate students may challenge foundations courses only ARTZ 105A; ARTZ 106A; and ARTZ 108A.

Portfolios are reviewed at the beginning of each semester. The challenge process waives the requirement to take a specific class, but does not provide any credits. The process of portfolio reviews is as follows:

- students submit a portfolio of ten .jpeg files or pieces of actual work to the school office two weeks prior to the beginning of the semester.
- If challenging more than one course, students submit examples of work for each course, for example:
  - ten drawing samples for ARTZ 105A,
  - ten color works for ARTZ 106A, and/or
  - ten 3-D pieces for ARTZ 108A.

Transfer Students

Students with transfer credits from another institution must contact the school director for review of transfer transcripts to assess course equivalents.

Baccalaureate Degrees

- Art B.A. (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/ba-art/)
- Art B.A. - Art Education (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/ba-art-education/)
- Art B.F.A (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/bfa-art/)
- Art B.F.A - Art Education (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/bfa-art-education/)
- Audio and Media Design B.F.A. (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/bfa-audio-media-design/)
- Media Arts B.A. (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/ba-media-arts/)
- Media Arts B.F.A. (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/bfa-media-arts/)
- Media Arts B.F.A - Game Design and Interactive Media (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/bfa-media-arts-game-design-interactive-media/)

Minors

- Art History and Criticism (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/minor-art-history/)
- Art Studio (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/minor-art-studio/)
- Media Arts (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/minor-media-arts/)

Undergraduate Certificates

- Creative Entrepreneurship Certificate (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/certificates/creative-entrepreneurship)
- Digital Design Certificate (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/digital-design/)
- Documentary Film Certificate (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/documentary-film/)
- Graphic Design Certificate (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/graphics/)
- The New West: Art and the Environment Certificate (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/creative-entrepreneurship/)
- Sonic Arts Certificate (http://catalog.umt.edu/colleges-schools-programs/arts-media/visual-media-arts/sonic-arts/)

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