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WHY ART & DESIGN AT UVU

- Our students enjoy a high placement rate and our Graphic Design program has been named one of the top in the nation by Graphic Design USA.
- Students graduate with publication and award credits, which contribute to their marketability and competitive edge.
- Students can pursue flexible degree options that suit their needs and goals. We offer a range of emphases to expand opportunities for students' needs and interests.
- Our programs immerse students in research and design through faculty-accompanied travel experiences.
- Students benefit by participating in professional organizations and developing connections with industry-recognized faculty, who consistently exhibit and publish their work on a national and international level.
- Acclaimed visiting artists mentor students on topics related to each visual arts discipline.

“Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time.”

—Thomas Merton



The Mangos are Still Green, Yoli Lara
@yolizmalarastudio

GETTING STARTED

Art & Design is a diverse field with several areas of emphasis that can lead to dynamic careers and professional success. Upon graduation, students are prepared for careers as art directors, gallery managers, illustrators, painters, photographers, sculptors, printmakers, web designers, comic book artists, concept artists, animators, illustrators, teachers, writers, photojournalists, studio owners, and more.



Family Mirror, Natasha Huhem @tashahuhemphoto

CHOOSE YOUR TRACK

UVU offers five types of bachelor’s degrees in Art & Design:

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ART & DESIGN

The BA in Art & Design allows students to pursue a highly individualized curriculum and graduate with well-rounded competencies in visual art. Students may choose coursework from areas such as 2D and 3D design, sculpture and ceramics, art history, graphic computer applications, and professional preparation for careers in the arts.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ART & DESIGN

Similar to the BA in Art & Design, the BS in Art & Design provides students with all-encompassing visual art courses that can be mixed and matched according to student interests. Additionally, students pursuing a BS in Art & Design have the opportunity to take more elective courses from other disciplines and thereby broaden their skillset before graduation.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ART EDUCATION

Share your love of art with the world. With a Bachelor of Science in art education, students become familiar with general and secondary art education curriculums. Our aspiring art educators can also focus on a single studio area within visual arts such as painting or drawing, illustration, sculpture or ceramics, or printmaking.



BACHELOR OF ART IN ART HISTORY

Art history unlocks the understanding of visual culture, human achievement, and human expression. The Bachelor of Art in art history degree helps students prepare for an array of arts-related jobs, including art dealership, art directorship, and work in museums and galleries. It also provides the necessary foundation for graduate studies in art history, which, in turn, helps students prepare for careers in postsecondary teaching, museum curatorship, and museum directorship.

BACHELOR OF FINE ART IN ENTERTAINMENT DESIGN

Entertainment Design is an interdisciplinary degree that encompasses concept, character, story, place, and time relevant to the evolving entertainment industry. As an Entertainment Designer, you will create realities and visual experiences that excite minds by combining art and technology to bring extraordinary experiences to life in toys, games, comics, movies, environments, and more.

BACHELOR OF FINE ART IN ART & DESIGN

The areas of emphasis within the BFA program are as follows:

GRAPHIC DESIGN

The graphic design program provides a detailed exploration of communication, form, and expression through analog and digital methodologies. By learning rigorous research methods and developing their own processes, students become adept critical thinkers and visual communicators. This competitive program prepares students for a career in design as well as potential graduate education.

ILLUSTRATION

The illustration program is ideal for students wanting to pursue careers in traditional illustration, digital illustration, or animation. Figure drawing, children’s book illustration, anatomy and figure structure, flash animation, 3D computer rendering, and advanced illustration are just a few of the classes available to students.

PAINTING AND DRAWING

The painting and drawing area prepares students to be creatively diverse visual artists. Students will develop visual literacy, technical proficiency in various media, attention to detail, critical thinking, and historical knowledge with the goal of creating works of art that express their own unique voice and vision. Within the painting and drawing program, students emphasize in one of three overlapping disciplines: drawing, painting, or printmaking.

PHOTOGRAPHY

The photography area emphasizes both commercial and fine art photographic approaches. On-location travel and extensive hands-on instruction will push students outside their comfort zone and expose students to a wide variety of photographic techniques and career opportunities. Students will learn critical thinking, historical context, technical aptitude, and creative exploration.

SCULPTURE AND CERAMICS

The sculpture and ceramics program will help you build a strong foundation of design fundamentals, technical skills, and knowledge of materials. Whether throwing clay on a potter’s wheel or carving stone, students can discover endless creative opportunities using a variety of substrates and applications to express their creativity.

For broad studies in these fields, UVU also offers three associate degrees in Art & Design:

ASSOCIATE OF ART IN ART AND DESIGN

Similar to the BA in Art & Design, students choose among a large course list of visual art courses to gain an all-encompassing familiarity with visual art.

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN ART & DESIGN

Similar to the BS in Art & Design, students combine Art & Design courses with studies in other disciplines to prepare them for a unique career path within or beyond the art world.

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN ART & DESIGN

For this degree, students choose to emphasize in either graphic design, photography, or illustration. Each program is designed to prepare students for entry-level positions in the respective industry of study.

For more information, visit uvu.edu/artdesign/degrees.

Elements of Love, Anna Robinson, @acr.studios

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ART & DESIGN

INTERNSHIPS

Students working as employees of a business, agency, or institution performing duties that directly relate to their area of study may receive elective credit toward most majors. Internship credit is granted through completion of up to six credit hours of ART 281R or up to six credit hours of ART 481R or a combination of credit from each (six credits maximum in each area). All internship credit must be pre-approved through the appropriate area coordinator and verified with the Art & Design internship coordinator before registration.

EXHIBITIONS

Art & Design students have the opportunity to display their work publicly in different venues such as:

UVU MUSEUM OF ART AT LAKEMOUNT MANOR

The UVU Museum of Art is a dynamic institution recognized for engaged and diverse exhibitions, programs, and partnerships. Once finished, this eight-acre estate will provide a beautiful backdrop for student artwork to be displayed and admired by the community. Learn more at uvu.edu/museum/lakemount.

GALLERY 402

Located on the fourth floor of the Gunther Technology building, Gallery 402 is used primarily for BFA shows for graduating students. It also hosts smaller group and experimental shows.

THE ART & DESIGN GALLERY

The Art & Design Gallery hosts a range of exhibitions, focusing primarily on student BFA shows, group shows, area shows (such as illustration, photography, graphic design, etc.), and special exhibitions related to visiting artists. Hosted talks, guest lectures, and other events are planned as part of the exhibition lineup.



SCHOLARSHIPS

Performance scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate exceptional talent based on performance and perceived potential. To be considered for an Art & Design scholarship, applicants must submit a UVU scholarship application online.

ART & DESIGN SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Minimum of a 2.5 cumulative GPA

Must be a Utah resident

Must be a major in the Art & Design department

Learn more at uvu.edu/artdesign/students.

STEPS TO APPLY

1. Complete the UVU Admissions Application at uvu.edu/admissions
2. Complete the UVU Scholarship Application by March 1st
3. Submit a portfolio of work with application by March 1st

If you have questions about the scholarship or audition process, contact your area coordinator.

GET INVOLVED

STUDY ABROAD

The Department of Art & Design offers a variety of travel experiences, both for credit and not for credit. The annual Art & Design excursion to Italy introduces students to the history of art and architecture through visits to churches, museums, and other monuments. Other programs include painting in Italy and France, photography and illustration in the British Isles, and art history and photography in Northern Europe.

For more information on UVU's Study Abroad programs, visit uvu.edu/educationabroad.

TRAVEL EXCURSIONS

The department also regularly offers travel excursions. Previous destinations include New York, San Francisco, Capitol Reef Field Station, and the national parks of Utah.

ART BOOKS

Art & Design students and faculty have collaborated for years to create a series of published art books. These projects offer students opportunities to participate in engaged learning experiences, develop portfolio pieces, build relationships with faculty, and travel for artistic inspiration. Previous students have navigated across the Western Front, toured national parks in Utah, chased the Arthurian legend throughout the United Kingdom, surveyed American sites connected to the Civil War and civil rights, and explored the fairy-tale road of the Brothers Grimm in Germany.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

In the Art & Design Department at Utah Valley University, we seek to cultivate the creation and appreciation of the visual arts.

With degree offerings in graphic design, illustration, photography, painting and drawing, ceramics and sculpture, art education, and art history, we prepare students for a wide variety of careers and professional pathways. We focus on building the knowledge and skills needed to excel.

The arts inspire and challenge us. They provide places of harmony and repose, but they also call us to action, defying us to think in new ways. The arts teach us, encourage us, and unite us. At UVU, we explore the power and relevance of art and design in contemporary society and culture. We meld traditional methods with innovative approaches to create unique learning experiences.

As you consider your educational options at Utah Valley University, I encourage you to explore our website, meet with our advisors, reach out to our faculty, and talk with your family and friends about the value of becoming an Art & Design major or incorporating creative studies into your college experience.

Come and create with us – there is a place for you here!

—ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR TRAVIS LOVELL

Department Chair

MEET OUR FACULTY

Our exceptionally talented faculty members embody many areas of expertise and have owned graphic design firms, published original art history research, shot photography for Fortune 500 companies, and received recognition with international talent awards.

Learn more at uvu.edu/artdesign.

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

“I could go on for days about each of the professors... At the end of the day, the quality of education a student gets at UVU defies expectation. I would get my BA at UVU all over again if I was given the choice.”

—TALIA RUTH

“Without the connections I made at UVU and the work ethic the curriculum instilled in me, many of the opportunities I have had since then would not have been possible.”

—KATE BAXTER

Learn more at uvu.edu/artdesign

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