SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Bachelor of Fine Arts
Major: Studio Art
Specialization: Painting
2023-2024 Sample 4-Year Plan
Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student		Student ID#		Student Phone #	
Advisor		Minimum GPA	2.50	Minor/Career Interest(s)	

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the Undergraduate Catalog.

First Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 111	Drawing I		3	F/S	
MCOM 265	Basic Photography		3	F/S	
DSGN 121	Design I 2D		3	F	
General Electives			3	F/S	
ENGL 101	Composition I (SGR #1)	p. Placement	3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	14		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 112	Drawing II	p. ART 111	3	F/S	
ART 122	Design II Color		3	F/S	
ART 123	Three-Dimensional Design		3	S	
DSGN 110	Creative Thinking		3	S	
SGR #5	Mathematics	p. Placement	3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Second Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 231	Painting I		3	F/S	
ART 251	Ceramics I		3	F/S	
ARTH 211	History of World Art I (SGR #4)		3	F	
CMST 101	Foundations of Communications (SGR # 2)		3	F/S	
SGR #6	Natural Science		3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 201	First Review	p. ART 112, ART/DSGN 121, ART 122, ART 123 (or 4 Studio Arts studios)	1	S	
ART 241	Sculpture I		3	F/S	
ART 281	Printmaking I		3	F/S	
ARTH 212	History of World Art II		3	S	
SOD Elective	Cross Disciplinary Experience	See catalog for elective list	3	F/S	
ENGL 201	Composition II (SGR #1)	p. ENGL 101	3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	16		

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Semester: F = Fall, S = Spring, SU = Summer

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Third Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 331	Painting II	p. ART 231	3	F/S	
ARTH 320	Modern Art and Architecture	p. ARTH 212 (every other fall semester)	3	F/S	
GDES 101	Computer Graphics		3	F/S	
SOD Elective	Cross Disciplinary Experience	See catalog for elective list	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Science	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines.	3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 211	Drawing III: Figurative	p. ART 111 (every other spring)	3	S	
ART 301	Second Review	p. ART 201	1	S	
ART 3XX	300 Level Studio Elective	Not to include 3xx level painting	3	F/S	
ART 431	Painting III	p. ART 331	3	F/S	
ARTH 490	Seminar: History of Modern Art and Design		3	S	
SGR #6	Natural Science		3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	16		

Fourth Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 3XX	300 Level Studio Elective	Not to include 3XX level painting	3	F/S	
ART 432	Painting IV	p. ART 431	3	F/S	
ART/ARTH/GDES	SOD Elective	ART/ARTH/GDES/AHSS 110	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Science	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines.	3	F/S	
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities	Choose non-ART or ARTH course	3	F/S	
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ART 212	Drawing IV: Mixed Media	(every other spring)	3	S	
ART 401	Thesis Exhibition	Capstone	1	F/S	
ART 433	Painting V	p. ART 432	3	F/S	
ART 482	Travel Studies		1	F/S	
DSGN 452	Design Capstone		2	S	
General Electives	Taken as needed to reach 120 credits		4		
		Total Credit Hours	13		

Comments/Notes

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the Honors program requirements.

Studio Arts students must maintain at least a major GPA of 2.6; overall GPA or 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the duration of the program. A grade of a "C" or better is required in all ART, ARTE, ARTH, GDES, DSGN, LA, ARCH, and ID courses.

As part of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, students in this program must complete/earn:
- a minimum of 33 upper division credits (300-400 level courses)
- a capstone course in the major

Students with any modern language experience are strongly encouraged to complete the free modern language placement test at
https://www.sdstate.edu/modern-languages-global-studies/mfl-placement-information

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