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Welcome to the Art Department at Arkansas Tech University

The art department is committed to quality visual arts education consistent with the high professional standards. To achieve its mission the art department seeks to provide:

- A strong core foundation in visual art concepts, skills, processes, technology, and other art media.
- Substantive curriculum content that challenges students to think critically in both creating and responding to art.
- Historical perspectives necessary for student understanding the role of the art across time, as a form of communication, and in cultural contexts.
- Opportunities for developing and assessing a portfolio consistent with areas of professional specialization.
- Leadership in developing and providing access to visual arts programming for the University and Community

The department has three major components leading to the baccalaureate degree. The first, Art Education, provides a foundation of art skills, methodology, and advanced work through teaching internships necessary for teacher licensures. The Fine Arts area, concentrates on drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics, sculpture, and other special art interests. The Graphics Design program enables a student to develop the skills and techniques required to engage in the various fields of advertising art. All three curricula lead to the bachelor of arts degree. The department also offers a service course required in the area of general education.

All majors will enroll in a foundations core made up of ART 1303, Introduction to Drawing; ART 1403, Two-Dimensional Design; ART 2403, Color Design; ART 2413, Three Dimensional Design; ART 2103, Art History I, World and Art; and ART 2303, Figure Drawing. Graphic Design and Art Education students are expected to include Art 1203, Introduction to Graphic Design in their foundations core. These courses may be taken in a semester. All art majors are required to enroll in twelve hours of art history.

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