THE STUDY OF ART develops creative problem solvers, critical thinkers and disciplined researchers, equipped with the values, knowledge and skills related both to the field of art and to the whole experience of living. Students explore technical, conceptual, theoretical and art history studies, as well as learn to express their own creative talents.

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Art and Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) with 10 concentrations:
- Art Education
- Art History
- Ceramics
- Drawing
- Fibers
- Graphic Design
- Painting
- Photography
- Printmaking
- Sculpture

Minor: Art. Pre-art therapy track.

The Xavier Advantage:
- Study in Italy in the Rome Summer Study Abroad program.
- Intern and work in faculty-mentored positions at museums, design showrooms, magazine and electronic media, foundations and businesses.
- Engage in original research with faculty and present at the National Conference of Undergraduate Research.
- Learn gallery installation techniques, and exhibit thesis work locally and in regional art galleries.

Xavier art graduates go on to:
- American Greetings
- Cincinnati Public Schools faculty
- Cleveland Institute of Art faculty
- Kenner/Hasbro
- Mid-Ohio Psychological Services
- www.thefashionlist.com
- Graduate programs at Canberra School of Art (Australia), City University of London, Pratt Institute, Rhode Island School of Design

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THE PROGRAM

The Department of Art offers two art degrees: The Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) degree is distinguished from the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Art degree by its intensity, structure and required number of hours in art. Students may choose from 10 concentrations (see Academic Requirements on page 4.)

The art faculty engages in research and publishing, exhibiting their art competitively nationally and internationally. They are active in a wide array of professional and civic organizations. Professors are committed, first and foremost, to teaching, with studio classes meeting five hours weekly. The faculty is readily available to work with students outside the classroom. Art classes are typically small, and students and faculty get to know each other on an individual basis.

In addition to traditional studies, art students at Xavier:

► Can choose to study art in Italy in the Rome Summer Study Abroad program. In addition to exceptional learning opportunities on-site in Rome and the Vatican City, art students may also travel to Venice, Assisi, Capri, Pompeii and more.

► Take advantage of faculty-mentored, for-credit internships or employment opportunities at places such as the Design Consortium, Art Beyond Boundaries, Cincinnati Art Museum, Taft Museum, AmeriCorps, Cleveland magazine, AIGA Cincinnati, Anthony Munoz Foundation, F&W Media, and DeCioccio Showroom.

► Engage in original research working directly with faculty. Students also are chosen annually to present at the National Conference of Undergraduate Research.

► Learn how to install art shows through hands-on gallery experience.

► Get the opportunity for solo exhibitions for their thesis work and showings at regional galleries while still undergraduates.

RESOURCES

The Department of Art is located in the Cohen Center, which features spacious and well-equipped studios and an art gallery. Outstanding facilities include a state-of-the-art graphic design lab, photography lab with traditional and digital capabilities, and studios in ceramics, drawing, fibers, painting, printmaking and sculpture. The open studio policy allows creativity to flow daily from 7 a.m.-2 a.m.

The University Art Gallery exhibits both professional and emerging artists, and provides valuable experience to art students and a strong link to the Cincinnati community. Each Xavier art studio major shows in a solo or group exhibition prior to graduation.

Faculty-mentored, for-credit internships and employment opportunities for students are offered at such sites as The Design Consortium, Art Beyond Boundaries, Cincinnati Art Museum, Taft Museum, AmeriCorps, Cleveland magazine, AIGA Cincinnati, Anthony Munoz Foundation, F&W Media and DeCioccio Showroom. Additional art courses are offered in the Rome Summer Study Abroad program.

OUTCOMES

Students earning BA and BFA degrees choose a variety of careers in areas including: illustration, graphic design, exhibition design, industrial design, museum administration, gallery operations, inter/exterior design, art therapy, teaching art (pre K-12), restoration and conservation, and photography.

Graduates also have established professional practices in design, ceramics, jewelry, fibers and painting as working studio artists.

A sampling of positions accepted by recent Xavier graduates includes:

► Art director, The Food Group
► Art teacher, K-12, Cincinnati Public Schools
► Art therapist, Good Samaritan Hospital
► Graphic artist, American Eagle
► Graphic designer, American Greetings
► Professional counselor, Mid-Ohio Psychological Services
► Professor, Cleveland Institute of Art
► Program coordinator, Monster.com
► Toy designer/sculptor, Kenner/Hasbro
► Web designer, University of Louisville
► Writer, www.thefashionlist.com

Xavier art graduates have also been accepted into graduate programs at institutions including:

► Barren College of Art (Ireland)
► Canberra School of Art (Australia)
► Case Western University
► City University London (England)
► Clemson University
► Medical College of Georgia at Augusta
► Ohio University
► Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts
► Pratt Institute
► Rhode Island School of Design
► Savannah College of Art and Design
► Southern Illinois University Edwardsville
► The Ohio State University
► University of Louisville
► University of Oregon
► Vanderbilt University

THE COLLEGE & THE CITY

The College of Arts and Sciences is the oldest and largest college at Xavier University. Its goal is to provide excellent liberal arts education in the Jesuit tradition that prepares students for careers, professional or graduate school, and life in a global society.

Centrally located in the heart of the Midwest and set along the Ohio River, Cincinnati is a thriving city, offering college students in the region a wide range of opportunities for internships and careers. Culture and entertainment ranges from the Cincinnati Art Museum to the Cincinnati Reds. Affordable and accessible, Cincinnati is rated one of the “most wired” U.S cities (Forbes Magazine), most sociable city in the world (mashable.com), and one of the top 15 U.S. cities to live and work (Fortune Magazine).
CORE CURRICULUM

The foundation of Xavier’s success is its commitment to its Jesuit heritage. The Core Curriculum embodies Xavier’s mission and philosophy of education and serves as a valuable foundation for all undergraduate students. Within the Core, the four-course Ethics/Religion and Society (E/RS) Focus fosters students’ understanding of socially significant issues through study of the humanities, especially literature, philosophy and theology, as well as the social and natural sciences. Along with courses in their major, Xavier students also take Core courses in: cultural diversity, English composition, fine arts, foreign language, history, literature, mathematics, philosophy, science, social science and theology.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Core Curriculum: Minimum 64 credit hours

Concentrations: Students majoring in art choose one of 10 concentrations: art education, art history, ceramics, drawing, fibers, graphic design, painting, photography, fibers, graphic design, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture.

Major in art: 52 semester hours in art, with 40 of those hours distributed among studio courses and nine in history of art courses. Drawing I and 2D/3D design and drawing are required foundation courses, along with freshman and senior seminars. Extended experience (three semesters minimum) in one area leading to a senior concentration and exhibition (if in a studio area) also is necessary. Students who concentrate in art education complete 28 hours in education licensure courses in addition to the required art hours.

Major in fine arts: 73 semester hours in art, with 51 of those hours distributed among studio courses and 12 in history of art courses. Drawing I and 2D/3D Design and Drawing are required foundation courses, along with freshman and senior seminars. Extended experience (18 credit hours) in one area leading to a senior concentration and exhibition (if in a studio area) also is necessary. Since the BFA degree requires a greater depth of study, many students seek to reduce their course load by testing out of Core Curriculum liberal arts courses and/or by attending summer school. The BFA degree usually is a prerequisite for acceptance into Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree programs.

XAVIER AT A GLANCE

Founded in 1831, Xavier University is a Jesuit Catholic university in Cincinnati, Ohio, annually ranked among the nation’s best universities. Its three colleges offer 85 undergraduate majors, 54 minors and 11 graduate programs to 7,019 total students, including 4,368 undergraduates.

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