

The studio art program stresses a strong foundation in the fine arts, as well as the liberal arts, on which to build careers in the arts, communication, advertising, and related fields. Students also are prepared for graduate study leading to an MFA in studio art or MAT in art education. The program in art history emphasizes the historical, cultural, and formal contexts of art and visual culture, preparing students for graduate study as well as careers in museums, cultural advocacy, marketing, communication, and other fields.

B.A. Studio Art

Studio art majors choose one area of concentration from Ceramics, Digital Imaging, Drawing, Painting, Photography, Printmaking, or Sculpture. The studio art major takes courses not only in his or her field of concentration but is also encouraged to experiment in other media to broaden his or her knowledge of the studio arts and to form a foundation for further development. The senior capstone experience is a solo exhibition in the PC Galleries.

B.A. Art History

The major in art history is designed for undergraduates interested in a humanistic education, as well as for those who may pursue careers in college-level teaching, research, museums and galleries, historic preservation, and related careers. The art history division emphasizes the historical, cultural, and formal contexts of art. Art history majors begin study in introductory surveys of major artistic achievements from antiquity to the 21st century, and then deepen their knowledge in courses covering individual aspects and periods.

Minors

Art History: The minor in art history emphasizes the historical, cultural, and formal contexts of art and visual culture.

Studio Art: A studio minor can be earned in ceramics, digital imaging, drawing, painting, photography, printmaking, or sculpture. All studio minors participate in a group exhibition in the spring of their senior year.

Business and Innovation: This interdisciplinary program introduces students to core concepts and practices in business and innovation, and requires a concentration track in Organizations and Entrepreneurs, Global Engagement, Applied Science, or Design Thinking.



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PLACES AND PEOPLE

Operating within two gallery spaces, the **Reilly Art Gallery** and **Hunt Cavanagh Art Gallery**, **PC Galleries** presents exhibitions and public programs focusing on contemporary art, innovative artistic practice, and interdisciplinary cultural activity. Undergraduate students have the opportunity to become part of the curatorial process, learn about the marketing and business aspects of the galleries, and work alongside prominent contemporary artists.

Art and art history faculty members have expertise in areas that include drawing; painting; photography; digital imaging; theories of sacred space; “Old Masters,” such as Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, and Rembrandt; modern and contemporary artists; and art of the Ancient Classical World, and hold degrees from institutions that include the Rhode Island School of Design, Stanford, the University of Colorado, Indiana University, Emory, Dartmouth, NYU, Harvard, and Brown.

Selected Places of Employment

Art League Rhode Island • Boston College
 Cambridge Savings Bank • College Light Opera Company
 Connecticut Landmarks • Elizabeth Grant Photography
 Executive Search Partners Inc. • Fred Astaire Dance Studio
 Fulbright Program • Institute of Contemporary Art Boston
 Pierre Frey • Pili Montilla • Providence College
 Rugg Road Paper Co. • Samuels & Associates • Sian Heder
 Sullivan Papain Block McGrath Coffinas & Cannavo, P.C.
 The Catholic University of America
 Walt Disney World Company
 White Heron Theatre Company • Wolf & Company, PC
 Elementary/secondary schools throughout the U.S.

Selected Graduate Schools

Boston College
 Curry College
 Delta State University
 Northeastern University
 NYU Steinhardt
 Penn State University
 Providence College
 Saint Joseph’s University
 University of Leeds
 University of Massachusetts Amherst
 Vanderbilt Law School

86%

of fine and performing arts graduates are employed or attending graduate school

(Providence College classes of 2019 – 2023)

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