

TRANSFER GUIDE
Catalog Years: 2025-2026

Radford University Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art, concentration Digital Arts & Illustration
Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Visual Arts

COURSE REQUIREMENTS						
Complete at VCCS				Complete at Radford		
BACHELOR’S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			BACHELOR’S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 100	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		ART 101	0	First year experience for incoming freshman and transfer students
Foundation Writing	3	ENG 111 College Comp I		ARTG 280	3	Intro to Graphic Design (if not taken at VCCS as ART 180)
Writing Intensive	3	ENG 112 College Comp II or ENG 113 Technical-Professional Writing	Recommend ENG 112	ARTG 281	3	Graphic Design Production Techniques
ART 215 Art History Survey I	3	ART 101 History of Art: Prehistoric to Gothic or ART 102 History of Art: Renaissance to Modern		ARTG 381	3	3D Computer Graphics
General Education	3	Any UCGS Humanities or Literature		ARTG 384	3	Digital Illustration
General Education	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (not History)		ARTS 204	3	Sculpture I (if not taken at VCCS as ART 231)
General Education	3	Any UCGS History	Recommend HIS 102	ARTS 212	3	Figure Drawing (if not taken at VCCS as ART 223)
General Education	4	Any UCGS Natural Sciences		ARTS 221	3	Painting I (if not taken at VCCS as ART 125)
Foundation Math	3-5	Any UCGS Math	Recommend MTH 154 or higher	ARTS 262	3	Digital Photography
ART 216 Art History Survey II	3-4	Any UCGS transfer course	Recommend ART 102	ARTS 360	3	Video Art
	3-4	Any UCGS transfer course		ARTS 361	3	Stop Motion Animation
ARTS 111 Drawing I	3	ART 121 Foundations of Drawing		ARTS 415	3	Illustration

ARTS 101 2D Art Foundations	3	ART 131 Two Dimensional Design		ARTG 483	3	Interactive Motion Graphics
ARTS 102 3D Art Foundations	3	ART 132 Three Dimensional Design		ARTG 486	3	Emerging Technologies in Graphics Visualization
ARTH 316 Art Outside the West	3	ART 200 Survey of Non-Western Art or ART 215 History of Modern Art	Recommend ART 200	ARTS 301	3	Theory and Emerging Topics
ARTS 212 Figure Drawing ARTS 221 Painting I ARTS 251 Ceramics I ARTS 204 Sculpture I ARTG 280 Intro to Graphic Design	6	Choose two courses from: ART 130 Intro to Multimedia* ART 140 Introduction to Graphic Skills* ART 180 Intro to Computer Graphics* ART 223 Life & Figure Drawing PHT XXX* Additional Studio Art courses (eg ART 125 Painting, ART 153 Ceramics, ART 231 Sculpture, ART 271 Printmaking)	ART 223 = ARTS 212 Recommend ART 223 and an additional studio course from the following list: ART 125 = ARTS 221 ART 153 = ARTS 251 ART 231 = ARTS 204 ART 180 = ARTG 280	ARTS 363	3	Digital Photography II
	6-12		Students who have completed all prerequisites and community college requirements should take additional courses from the rows above or transfer elective courses to fulfill the 60-62 credit requirement.	ARTS 397	3	Concept Lab I
				ARTS 399	3	Concept Lab II
				ARTS 497	3	Senior Studio and Methods
				ARTS 499	3	Senior Exhibition and Promotion
				ARTH 420	3	20 th c. Art
				ARTH 423 or ART 429	3	History of Photography OR History of Graphic Design
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60-66		

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

Guaranteed Admission Agreement

By meeting the following criteria, students who complete the prescribed curriculum and meet the criteria below are guaranteed admission into Radford University.

- Earn a transferable associate degree
- Earn a minimum of 2.8 cumulative GPA
- Good standing at the current institution

Please visit the [TransferVirginia.org](https://www.transfervirginia.org) portal to find course requirements for different majors and **Transfer Guides** that outline course requirements for specific majors.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://admissions.radford.edu>
- **Admission Application:** By March 1 for priority fall admission and November 1 for priority spring admission at <https://www.radford.edu/admissions/apply/index.html>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://www.radford.edu/fin-aid>, FAFSA priority deadline March 1.
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** <https://studentaid.gov>

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Completing your English and Math courses in your first year is recommended
- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center www.TransferVirginia.org
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and an admissions counselor at Radford University within your first year. College Connect is available in your account at www.TransferVirginia.org

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- This degree is right for you if you want to develop digital and traditional skills.
- This degree is right for you if you want to be a digital artist, illustrator, or web designer.
- This degree is right for you if you want to work in the entertainment or media industry.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of the transfer-oriented degree program will satisfy the REAL Curriculum (lower division/general education) requirements. Students will need to complete all other University, college, and departmental requirements in order to obtain the baccalaureate degree from RU.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** Students completing the associate degree in high school should apply using the freshman application. If admitted, the student will

receive the benefits associated with the transferable associate degree (as noted prior).

- **Credit for Prior Learning:** AP, IB, and CLEP will be evaluated for credits (based on receipt and evaluation of scores). See <https://catalog.radford.edu/content.php?catoid=55&navoid=2617>
- **Catalog Year:** Students will be subject to the catalog in effect at the time of enrollment at RU unless otherwise requested.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Main campus is located in the city of Radford and our Radford University Carilion campus is located in Roanoke. RU is well-known for strong faculty/student bonds, vibrant student life and a commitment to student support.
 - Situated in the stunning landscape of southwest Virginia, there are plenty of nearby opportunities to explore the outdoors.
 - With 70+ bachelor's degree programs across a variety of disciplines, the classes at Radford are hands-on and designed to help you prepare for your chosen career path.
 - Transfer students have the option to live on-campus or off-campus within the local area.
 - Over 80% of students receive some form of financial aid.
 - 16 Division I teams and 300+ student organizations.
- Learn more about our university at www.TransferVirginia.org

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your Associate transfer degree post-high school satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the chance of completing your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid and have limited your future financial aid at Radford University?

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at www.TransferVirginia.org

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- 8-12 shows per year at the Radford University Art Museum, including a juried student show.
- Independent studios for seniors to develop their senior exhibitions.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- Of students who apply, about 65% of transfer applicants are accepted to Radford University and about 80% of the entering transfer class comes from Virginia community colleges.

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- Two portfolio reviews (Foundation Review in first year; Senior Review in last year)
- Senior exhibition at the Radford University Art Museum