

Virginia Tech Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree , Major in Studio Art

Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Visual Arts

TRANSFER GUIDE
Catalog Years: 2025-26

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Complete at Virginia Tech		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation	No VT Equivalent	ART 1504	3	
ENGL 1105	3	ENG 111 College Comp I		BFA Degree Core Courses	12	
ENGL 1106	3	ENG 112 College Comp II or ENG 113 Technical-Professional Writing		ART 1604	3	
ART 2385	3	ART 101 History of Art: Prehistoric to Gothic	Both ART 2385 and 2386 are required for the Studio Art major at Virginia Tech. VCCS students are encouraged to take ART 101 to meet this requirement, and ART 102 as one of their UCGS transfer course electives (see below).	ART 2514	3	Can be satisfied by taking ART 221 through the VCCS
VT Pathways	3	Any UCGS Humanities or Literature		ART 2524	3	Can be satisfied by taking ART 241 through the VCCS
VT Pathways	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (not History)		ART 2664	3	Can be satisfied by taking PHT 101 or PHT 164 through the VCCS
VT Pathways	3	Any UCGS History		ART 3854	3	
VT Pathways	4	Any UCGS Natural Sciences		ART 4564	3	
VT Pathways	3-5	Any UCGS Math		Restricted Electives	24	Students will take 24 credits of art electives as part of the Studio Art major
ART 2386	3	ART 102 History of Art: Renaissance to Modern	Both ART 2385 and 2386 are required for the Studio Art major at Virginia Tech. VCCS students are encouraged to take ART 102 prior to	Free Electives	0-9	Taken as needed to get to 120 credits overall for completion of degree

			starting at Virginia Tech as one of their UCGS transfer course free electives.			
Free Elective	3-4	Any UCGS transfer course				
ART 1404	3	ART 121 Foundations of Drawing				
ART 1204	3	ART 131 Two Dimensional Design				
ART 1214	3	ART 132 Three Dimensional Design				
ART 2XXX Free Elective Credit	3	ART 200 Survey of Non-Western Art or ART 215 History of Modern Art				
ART 231 = ART 2554 All other courses transfer as Free Elective Credit	6	<p>Choose two courses from:</p> <p>ART 130 Intro to Multimedia*</p> <p>ART 140 Introduction to Graphic Skills*</p> <p>ART 180 Intro to Computer Graphics*</p> <p>ART 223 Life & Figure Drawing</p> <p>PHT XXX*</p> <p>Additional Studio Art courses (eg ART 125 Painting, ART 153 Ceramics, ART 231 Sculpture, ART 271 Printmaking)</p>	<p>Recommended to pursue ART 231, as it transfers as ART 2554, Introduction to Sculpture, which is required for the Studio Art Major at Virginia Tech. All other courses listed transfer as free-elective credit.</p>			
	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.			
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60-66		

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

General Guaranteed Admission Agreement:
<https://www.vt.edu/admissions/transfer/vccs.html>

This degree program is covered by Virginia Tech's Guaranteed Admission Agreement.

By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admission to the Studio Art Major, BFA Degree:

- Complete a transferable VCCS associate degree.
- Earn a minimum GPA of 3.4 or higher in your degree program. GPA calculations, including in the case of repeated coursework, will follow VCCS policies.
- Meet the minimum admissions requirements for your intended major by completing with a grade of "C" or higher any and all of the "required" coursework for the program as outlined in the [Admissions Transfer Roadmap](#).

Meet all other requirements outlined in the agreement and apply through the standard transfer admissions process.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **Transfer Initiatives Office:** <https://advising.vt.edu/transfer-student-advising.html>
- **Admission Application:** See dates for Fall or Spring admission at <https://vt.edu/admissions/undergraduate/apply/dates-and-deadlines.html>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://finaid.vt.edu/>

FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid: Information at studentaid.gov

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

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of an Associate Degree results in some lower-division general education requirements being met when you transfer to Virginia Tech.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** AP, IB, and CLEP are evaluated for credits <https://www.registrar.vt.edu/Transferable-Credit.html>
- **Catalog Year:** Catalog year is determined by the first semester of attendance at the community college post high-school graduation.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The completion of an Associate Degree concurrent with high school results in up to half the required credits (120) towards a BFA degree, with all general education courses satisfied (except those unique to Virginia Tech). Students will be enrolled as a freshman for orientation and engagement purposes.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Located in rural area, with 2600-acre campus, 37,000 on and off campus students, and a 14:1 student-faculty ratio

- Transfer students have both on-campus and off-campus housing options, including a living community on-campus just for transfer students (all majors). <https://lhp.vt.edu/lhc/transfer.html>
- Virginia Tech is a diverse campus with students from over 40 states and 115 countries.
- Students can attend full-time or part-time.
- Classes are most typically offered Monday – Friday, 8am – 5pm

Learn more about our university at <https://vt.edu/about/facts-about-virginia-tech.html>

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at Virginia Tech.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Graduates of the Studio Art major at Virginia Tech apply their skills in a variety of careers. Some become professional artists; others pursue commercial careers in photography, painting, illustration, and fabrication. Others seek their Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in specific studio disciplines or postgraduate degrees in related art fields like Art Therapy, Art Education, and Exhibit Design.

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

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- **World Class Facilities & Faculty:** Learn from national and internationally renowned professional artists in state-of-the-art, purpose built teaching studios at Virginia Tech's new Creativity & Innovation District (CID) building.
- **Arts & Technology:** The Studio Art major integrates emerging technologies into hands-on, material-based experience that is grounded in historical tradition and informed by contemporary artistic practices. Our studios provide access to an impressive suite of fabrication technology including laser cutters, mills, lathes, 3D printers, CNC routers and plasma cutters in addition to fully equipped wood and metal shops, large format digital printers, and facilities for printmaking and screen-printing.
- **Exhibition Experience:** The exhibition of completed work is a critical part of the artistic process that allows artists to engage with their community. As part of the Studio Art BFA, students work independently on a personally designed project during their final year, which culminates in a capstone show. Each student is provided with a personal studio space and works closely with an individual mentor during this part of the program. Virginia Tech hosts several galleries including those at the Moss Art Center, the Perspective Gallery at Squires Student Center, SOVA's own Armory Gallery, and the student-run downtown XYZ Gallery. These venues provide our students with access to a wide array of artistic perspectives and outcomes, connecting them with working professionals and providing context for the senior capstone experience.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- Please follow the suggested coursework outlined above.
- Due to the sequencing and scheduled offering of course requirements, **it will take transfer students 2.5-3 years** (5-6 Fall/Spring semesters) to complete the Studio Art major at Virginia Tech after transferring.

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?