

STUDIO ART (MFA)

Department Website (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/art/>)

NYSED: 19522 **HEGIS:** 1002.00 **CIP:** 50.0702

Program Description

The MFA in Studio Art is a two year full-time interdisciplinary program. Classes include: group critique, seminar in contemporary art, writing for artists, and critical theory. In addition, MFA students have one full day a week of individual studio meetings with visiting artists and faculty.

Our Full and Part time faculty includes writers, art critics, and visual artists who work in all media. Visiting artists, and guests at our roundtable discussions, enhance the program's connection to the greater art world.

The MFA studios and art department facilities are all located in one building, on Stuyvesant Street in the East Village. The private studios are accessible 24/7, and available over winter and summer break. The Art department facilities include: a wood and metal shop, printmaking, photography, ceramics, and digital labs.

During their time at NYU, MFA students will exhibit their work at the Art Department's Gallery (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/departments/art-and-art-professions/exhibitions-and-events/80wse-gallery/>). This includes a First year group show, a solo project, and a final thesis show. There is also an Open Studio Event once a year, which is open to the public.

Teaching

All MFAs are given the opportunity to work as a course assistant during their first year. In their second year they are hired to teach an introductory level studio art course for NYU.

Career Opportunities

Graduates of the MFA program are represented by galleries, featured in contemporary museums and biennials, and recipients of prestigious fellowships and artist residencies. Many hold positions as critics, teachers, designers, and curators.

Accreditation (NASAD)

NYU is an accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (<https://nasad.arts-accredit.org/>) (NASAD).

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Admissions

Admission to graduate programs in the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development requires the following minimum components:

- Résumé/CV
- Statement of Purpose
- Letters of Recommendation
- Transcripts
- Proficiency in English

See NYU Steinhardt's Graduate Admissions website (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/admissions/how-apply/graduate-students/>) for additional information on school-wide admission. Some programs may require additional components for admissions.

See How to Apply (<https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/degree/mfa-studio-art/how-apply/>) for admission requirements and instructions specific to this program.

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		
<i>Core Courses</i>		
ART-GE 2987	Interdisciplinary Proj: Articulating Visual Art (2 semesters, 4 credits per semester)	8
ART-GE 2988	Interdisciplinary Proj: Contemporary Practice (2 semesters, 4 credits per semester)	8
ART-GE 2990	Graduate Studio (4 semesters, 4 credits per semester)	16
ART-GE 2993	Visiting Artist, Curator, and Faculty Critiques (4 semesters, 4 credits per semester)	16
ART-GE 2996	MFA Seminar (2 semesters, 2 credits per semester)	4
ART-GE 2997	Thesis Project	4
ARTCR-GE 2803	Theories of Art and Culture	4
Total Credits		60

Sample Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester/Term		
ART-GE 2990	Graduate Studio	4
ART-GE 2993	Visiting Artist, Curator, and Faculty Critiques	4
ART-GE 2987	Interdisciplinary Proj: Articulating Visual Art	4
ART-GE 2988	Interdisciplinary Proj: Contemporary Practice	4
Credits		16
2nd Semester/Term		
ART-GE 2990	Graduate Studio	4
ART-GE 2993	Visiting Artist, Curator, and Faculty Critiques	4
ART-GE 2996	MFA Seminar	2
ARTCR-GE 2803	Theories of Art and Culture	4
Credits		14
3rd Semester/Term		
ART-GE 2990	Graduate Studio	4
ART-GE 2993	Visiting Artist, Curator, and Faculty Critiques	4
ART-GE 2987	Interdisciplinary Proj: Articulating Visual Art	4
ART-GE 2988	Interdisciplinary Proj: Contemporary Practice	4
Credits		16
4th Semester/Term		
ART-GE 2990	Graduate Studio	4
ART-GE 2993	Visiting Artist, Curator, and Faculty Critiques	4
ART-GE 2996	MFA Seminar	2
ART-GE 2997	Thesis Project	4
Credits		14
Total Credits		60

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will be able to:

1. Synthesize critique and intellectual reflection into individual artistic production culminating in a thesis exhibition of contemporary and critical relevance.
2. Demonstrate critical thinking as it applies to the conceptual and aesthetic foundation of individual studio practice.
3. Analyze and examine the process of artistic production through guidance and critique with faculty, visiting artists, curators and critics.
4. Communicate clearly and effectively both verbally and in writing the link between theory and individual artistic practice with specific attention to historical and cultural contexts.

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

Steinhardt Academic Policies

Additional academic policies can be found the Steinhardt academic policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/graduate/culture-education-human-development/academic-policies/>).