

# VISUAL ARTS (MINOR)

## Program Description

From prehistoric cave art to the digital media of today, human beings across the globe and through the ages have used visual forms to understand and shape their world. Painting, sculpture, and architecture as well as ornament, design, printmaking and photography have provided rich traditions of visual expression and communication, and the development of new media has greatly expanded this visual repertoire. Different cultures, in different places and at different times, have valued and conceptualized vision and made use of the visual arts in a variety of ways. The visual arts investigate and re-imagine the physical, social, cultural, and spiritual spheres of human existence and offer arguments about and interpretations of these realms. The Art and Art History major at NYU Abu Dhabi invites students to explore the objects, practices, meanings, and institutions that constitute the visual arts in diverse cultures, from comparative, historical, and cross-disciplinary perspectives.

The Art and Art History curriculum is global in its focus and pays special attention to cross-cultural encounters, to an understanding of art in comparative frameworks, and to the dialogues between Art and Art History and the humanities, sciences and other arts. The wide range of courses on offer in Abu Dhabi can be supplemented with courses on other traditions, periods and topics at New York University's other sites.

## Minors in Art and Art History

The minors in Art and Art History allow students to focus on the making of art or the history and theory of art by selecting four courses from one of the tracks in the Art and Art History program. Minor in Art and Art History permits students to explore their own creative abilities in a range of media or to ask questions about the evolution of arts practice through time and within a variety of cultures.

## Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Minor Requirements</b>		
Select four Visual Arts courses <sup>1</sup>		16
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>16</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students may substitute up to one Art History class.

## Policies

### NYU Policies

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

### NYU Abu Dhabi Policies

A full list of relevant policies can be found on NYU Abu Dhabi's undergraduate academic policies page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/abu-dhabi/academic-policies/>).