



Art History 2013-2014

The Art History program prepares students for upper division study at other institutions and provides fundamental training in world art studies. The Art History faculty are intensely involved in their disciplines and are professionally dedicated to promoting each student's understanding of the place of art in history.

The study of Art History provides the student with an awareness of art, economic, political, religious, and social history, a heightened sensitivity to art-related issues, and the ability to think critically about art & art history. Knowledge of Art History engenders a heightened understanding of history, a familiarity with the major issues in human cultural development, and exposure to the artistic expressions of varied cultures and civilizations.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Students will be able to collect and assess primary and secondary source information and successfully analyze and comment on that information in the form of a reasoned 8-10 page term paper, complete with a full bibliography (works cited page), utilizing the MLA format.
- Students will be able to demonstrate in written form a strong awareness of the political, social, religious, and technological factors that influence cultures and change in those cultures.

Career Opportunities:

Career opportunities include the following: college professor, teacher, arts administrator, museum/gallery curator, corporate art advisor, museum docent, slide librarian, consultant on historical style for film and TV production, museum conservator, historical conservationist, art critic, tour guide, travel consultant, research assistant, and art dealer.

Units required for Major: 48

Units required for Certificate: 48

Associate Degree Requirements:

- English proficiency: ENGL 1A, 1AH, 1S & 1T, ESLL 26 or equivalent.
- Mathematics proficiency: MATH 57, 105, 108 or equivalent.

A minimum of 90 units is required* to include:

- All Foothill General Education requirements (30 Units)
- Core courses (36 Units)
- Support courses (12 Units)

*Additional elective course work may be necessary to meet the 90-unit minimum requirement for the associate degree.

NOTE: All courses pertaining to the major must be taken for a letter grade. In addition, a GPA of 2.0 or higher is required in all core and support courses for the degree or certificates.

Program Types:

AA = Associate in Arts Degree.

CA = Certificate of Achievement.

Additional Information:

NOTE: One to two years of French, Spanish, Italian, or German is strongly recommended for students intending to continue in Art History at a 4-year institution. Students who wish to specialize in Asian Art should consider one or two years of Japanese or Chinese.

Core Courses: 36 Unit(s)

- ART 1* Introduction to Art (4.5 Units)
- ART 2A History of Art: History of Western Art from Prehistory through Early Christianity (4.5 Units)
or ART 2AH Honors Art History: History of Western Art from Prehistory through Early Christianity (4.5 Units)
- ART 2B History of Western Art from the Middle Ages to the Renaissance (4.5 Units)
or ART 2BH Honors History of Western Art from the Middle Ages to the Renaissance (4.5 units)
- ART 2C History of Western Art from the Baroque to Post-Impressionism (4.5 Units)
or ART 2CH Honors History of Western Art from the Baroque to Post-Impressionism (4.5 Units)
- ART 2D African, Oceanic & Native American Art (4.5 Units)

- or ART 2F Introduction to Asian Art (4.5 units)
- or ART 2G Introduction to Islamic Art (4.5 units)
- ART 2J American Art (4.5 Units)
- ART 2E A History of Women in Art (4.5 Units)
- ART 3 Modern Art & Contemporary Thought (4.5 Units)

* Recommended before taking Art History courses if no previous experience in art.

Support Courses: 12 Unit(s)

- ANTH 2A Cultural Anthropology (4 units)
- ART 4A Drawing I (4 Units)
- HIST 4A History of Western Civilization to 800 AD (4 Units)
- HIST 4B History of Western Civilization: 700-1800 (4 Units)
- HIST 4C History of Western Civilization 1789 - Present (4 Units)
or HIST 4CH Honors History of Western Civilization (4 Units)
- PHIL 24 Comparative Religions: East (4 units)
or PHIL 25 Comparative Religions: West (4 units)
- PHIL 30 Introduction to Critical Thinking (4 units)
- PHOT 10 History of Photography (4 units)
or PHOT 10H Honors History of Photography (4 units)

Certificates:

Certificate of Achievement in Art History 48 Unit(s)

A Certificate of Achievement is awarded upon completion of the Core and Support Courses. General education courses are not required.