

VISUAL ART STUDIES, B.A.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Altoona

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Visual Art Studies offers students the opportunity to explore studio work in Art within the context of a broader liberal arts education. Students can learn fundamental techniques and concepts common to the Visual Arts. Emphasis is also put on creative problem solving through advanced investigations of artistic themes and issues. Coursework includes requirements (classes) related to the portfolio preparation necessary for employment in creative fields or for education at the graduate level.

What is Visual Art Studies?

Visual arts studies is the creative, theoretical, and critical exploration of making images, objects, and ideas through various artistic media. Visual Art Studies may be a good fit for you if you are happiest drawing, painting, sculpting, designing, working with the computer or performing in unique ways. If you don't have a lot of experience making art—no worries! Maybe you enjoy looking at art or writing or reading about it? Visual Art Studies may be for you! There are no required skillsets or portfolio reviews required for admission into Visual Art Studies. The faculty are experienced at introducing an array of tools, materials, and methods to beginning students.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT VISUAL ART STUDIES (<https://altoona.psu.edu/academics/bachelors-degrees/visual-art-studies>)

You Might Like This Program If...

- You get a kick out of seeing how things are made.
- You have ideas and opinions about your world—big, small, and everything in between.
- You want to be a part of a vibrant inclusive community of creative thinkers and makers.
- You need to fill your artistic toolbox with more tools, technologies, and materials.
- You love making or fixing stuff.
- You customize the day-to-day things around you to make them more you.