

ART, B.A. (ARTS AND ARCHITECTURE)

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: University Park

End Campus: University Park

Career Paths

As a graduate with an Art B.A. and a broad interest in the individual and collective power of the arts to enrich human understanding, you will have artistic skills and critical sensibilities that can become lifelong assets. Just as art can awaken us to new experiences, exploring new ways to integrate knowledge from diverse sources helps make these experiences concrete and alerts us to notice things not otherwise obvious. Broadening learning to embrace studio-based practices of making and critical reflection opens up options for linking personal and professional career interests, and these can have an enduring impact on what and how one learns.

Careers

The Art B.A. experience collects and collates many different modalities of thinking and knowing, repositions them around what we know, and helps us see gaps and what we don't know. The Art B.A. experience takes these familiar and new understandings and provides an environment for helping you discover your personal voice in the work you create. Contemporary studio art practice embraces any conceptually appropriate material and method that best articulates your artistic intention. In addition, professional practice opportunities are embedded into the program that can lead to future accomplishments after school.

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Due to the emphasis put on developing your personal vision and distinctive artistic voice, an Art B.A. graduate will have a heightened sense of individual perspective and an understanding of multiple ways of engaging with ideas, and these dispositions become foundational skills in assessing future educational and professional directions.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GRADUATE STUDIES
(<https://arts.psu.edu/degrees/mfa-art>)

Professional Resources

- College Art Association (<https://www.collegeart.org/>)
- National Art Education Association (<https://www.arteducators.org>)
- National Council of Art Administration (<https://www.ncaaart.org>)
- Pennsylvania Art Education Association (<https://sites.google.com/paea.org/paea/home>)