

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

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2026-27 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition.

Art, B.A. at University Park Campus

The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ART 11 (First Year Seminar)*	1 ART 111*	3
ART 110*	3 ART 122Y (W; US)*	3
ARTH 111 (GA; IL)**	3 ARTH 112 (GA; IL)**	3
ENGL 15, 15A, or 30H (GWS)†	3 World Language ³	4
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (GQ)†	3
World Language ³	4	
	17	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Additional Course for Major (see list)* ¹	3 Additional Course for Major (see list)* ¹	3
Additional Course for Major (see list)* ¹	3 Additional Course for Major (see list)* ¹	3
World Language ³	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course (GQ)†	3 General Education Course	3
Supporting Course from Art History* ²	3 General Education Course	3
	16	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C (GWS)†	3 ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (GWS)†	3
Additional Course for Major (see list)* ¹	3 General Education Course	3

BA Fields ⁴	3 Supporting Course for Concentration* ²	4
General Education Course	3 Supporting Course for Concentration* ²	3
Supporting Course from Art History* ²	3	
	15	13

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
BA Fields ⁴	3 Elective Course	2
General Education Course	3 Elective Course	3
General Education Course	3 BA Fields ⁴	3
World Cultures Course ⁵	3 Supporting Course for Concentration* ²	4
Supporting Course for Concentration* ²	4	
	16	12

Total Credits 120

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major

‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education

Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

¹ ADDITIONAL COURSES (15 credits)

Select 15 credits from ART 201 (3), ART 203 (3), ART 211Y US (3), ART 217 (3), ART 220 (3), ART 223 (3), ART 230 (3), ART 240 (3), ART 250 (3), ART 251 (3), ART 260 (3), ART 280 (3), ART 296 (3), ART 297 (3), ART 299 IL (3), DART 202 (3), DART 203 (3), DART 204 (3), DART 205 (3), DART 206 (3), DART 213 (3), DART 297 (3), PHOTO 100 GA (3), PHOTO 201 (3), or PHOTO 202 (3) (Sem: 3-8)

² SUPPORTING COURSES AND RELATED AREAS (21 credits)

(Include at least 15 credits at the 300 or 400 level.)

-Select 15 credits from one of the following areas of concentration: ceramics, drawing and painting, new media/digital arts, photography, and sculpture (Sem: 3-8)

-Select 6 credits in art history (Sem: 1-8)

³ World Language (0-12 credits): Student must attain 12th credit level of proficiency in one world language in addition to English. This proficiency must be demonstrated by either examination or course work. See the Placement Policy for Penn State World Language Courses.

⁴ B.A. Fields (9 credits): Additional Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Arts, World Languages, Natural Sciences, Quantification (may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major; world language credits in this category must be in a second world language in addition to English or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the first language). Credits must be selected from the list of approved courses.

⁵ World Cultures courses can be found at: <https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/course-lists/ba-world-cultures/> (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/course-lists/ba-world-cultures/>)

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

All incoming Schreyer Honors College first-year students at University Park will take ENGL 137H/CAS 137H in the fall semester and ENGL 138T/CAS 138T in the spring semester. These courses carry the GWS designation and satisfy a portion of that General Education requirement. If the student's program prescribes GWS these courses will replace both ENGL 15/ENGL 30H and CAS 100A/CAS 100B/CAS 100C. Each course is 3 credits.

Bachelor of Arts Requirements:

Bachelor of Arts students must take 9 credits in Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Fields (Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; Arts; World Languages [2nd language or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the 1st]; Natural Sciences; Quantification). The B.A. Fields courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major. See your adviser and the Degree Requirements section (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/academic-information/>) of this Bulletin.

Bachelor of Arts students must take 3 credits in World Cultures. See your adviser and the full list of courses approved as World Cultures courses (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/course-lists/ba-world-cultures/>).