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Department of Art History
Minor in Art History

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Why Art History?

Humankind’s cultural inheritance is encoded in the language of art. We offer students critical insights into this inheritance and the ways that art and cultural expression have developed over time and across the continents, deepening their knowledge of the past and the ways that the past shapes the present. We sharpen students’ visual skills, essential for success in an increasingly visual world. We develop students’ writing abilities, an essential foundation for any career. We spark students’ imaginations with images and objects that have endured centuries and have been worshipped or violated, stirred revolution or gone missing, delighted or outraged. In keeping with the university’s global mission, we offer courses in American (including Native American, African American and Latin American), European, African, Asian and Islamic art and architecture. Through the study of the full range of artistic creativity, we challenge students to become citizens of the world.

Minor Requirements

The minor in Art History requires 18 credits of course work, including at least four courses at or above the 200-level. Students must distribute their courses among at least three different areas of the following five:

- Before the year 1400
- 1400-1700
- 1700-1900
- 1900-present
- African, Asian, Islamic, Latin American or Native American art

No more than two 100-level courses may be counted toward the 18 minimum credits.

Areas of Study

- Visual and Media Studies
- Material Culture Studies
- Architecture, Urban Design and the Environment
- Art, Politics and Society
- Race and Gender in Art
- Globalization and the Art Market
- Art, Literature and Performance

What’s special about this program?

Our department ranks among the top programs in the nation. Our faculty has an international reputation for excellence in teaching and research. We are in a unique position at the center of a constellation of units that emphasize the art object, including Art and Design, Art Conservation, Museum Studies, Material Culture Studies and the University Museums, among others. By virtue of UD’s proximity to major cities, we expose students to world-class collections of art and architecture.

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Ways to get involved

Our Art History Club provides opportunities for visiting museums and art exhibitions, as well as to learn about careers in the field. Through the Summer Scholars and McNair Scholars programs, students can engage in independent research. Students are also encouraged to study abroad and seek internships.

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