

The M.A. Program in Art History

Starting in Fall 2017, we offer two specializations in Art History at the MA level.

Specialization in Art History Research

The specialization in art history research offers preliminary study for the doctoral degree for students intending to be professional art historical researchers and educators.

Applicants with little background in art history but who have done exceptionally well as undergraduates in other disciplines will also be considered. Students in the Master of Arts art history specialization program must complete: a minimum of 33 semester-hours of graduate work; a thesis or master's research project; pass a comprehensive exam; and demonstrate a reading knowledge of one modern foreign language (traditionally, French, German, or Italian is the language chosen by students interested in pursuing doctoral study; however, another language may be substituted with the approval of the student's graduate advisory committee). Students who have not taken ARTH 486 as an undergraduate must take ARTH 586.

ARTH 701 - Seminar in Art History (6)

Art history electives (minimum—18)

ARTH 699A - Art History Master's Thesis (3)

OR ARTH 699B – Art History Master's Research Project (3)

Continuous enrollment in ARTH 699A or ARTH 699B is required until work is completed.

Specialization in Art History Teaching at the Two-Year College Level

The specialization in art history teaching provides preparation for teaching at the two-year college level where the Ph.D. is not required. Applicants with little background in art history but who have done exceptionally well as undergraduates in other disciplines will also be considered. Students in the Master of Arts art history teaching specialization program must complete: a minimum of 33 semester-hours of graduate work; two qualifying essays; pass a comprehensive exam; and demonstrate a reading knowledge of one modern foreign language. Students who have not taken ARTH 486 as an undergraduate must take ARTH 586.

ARTH 701 - Seminar in Art History (6)

Art history electives (minimum—21)

Including two courses from each of the following areas:

- Ancient, Middle Eastern, Medieval, and Early Modern Europe
- American, Modern, Contemporary, and Design
- Asian, African, Oceanian, Native American, Pre-Columbian, and Latin American
- ART 780 - Teaching at the College Level (3)