# USC Roski School of Fine Arts



The USC Gayle Garner Roski School of Fine Arts was renamed in honor of the \$23 million pledge by Los Angeles arts patrons Gayle Garner Roski and Edward P. Roski Jr. According to Dean Ruth Weisberg, "This gift will allow us to pursue our vision of the crucial role the arts can play in the 21st century and to take a leadership role in developing the art school of the future."

he USC Roski School of Fine Arts provides a well-balanced education in the creative, interpretive and critical processes essential to practicing art. In lectures, seminars, studio work and one-on-one meetings, faculty and students energetically challenge fixed notions of art and culture. The distinguished, dedicated faculty comprises leading artists exhibiting in museums and galleries throughout the world. The school offers B.F.A. and B.A. degrees for undergraduate studies and Master's degrees in Fine Arts and Public Art Studies.

Each year the school attracts approximately 275 undergraduate majors, over 1,000 liberal arts students and 50 graduate students. As the first art school in the region, the USC School of Fine Arts is committed to the frontier of artistic exploration. The school's intermedia area is devoted to the expanding role of technology in the visual arts, while maintaining a strong foundation in traditional artistic practice. This broad-based education imbues students with an appreciation for the variety of artistic expression yet encourages them to discover their individual creative voices.

The school boasts excellent facilities. Equipped with 15 workstations supporting all intermedia software, the new Helene V. Galen Intermedia Lab is among the most sophisticated, up-to-date digital studios of its kind in a school of fine arts. The Makens Family Painting and Drawing Wing offers brand new classrooms specifically designed for the interaction of traditional media and state-of-the-art technology. Other facilities include two spacious photography studios with all new equipment and superb studios for woodwork, metalwork and ceramics. The Architecture and Fine Arts Library houses more than 75,000 volumes, including unique special collections and more than 250,000 slides. USC is a major cultural center in Los Angeles, and work by students, faculty and renowned artists is regularly exhibited at the Helen Lindhurst Fine Arts Gallery, the new Gayle and Ed Roski Master of Fine Arts Graduate Gallery and the USC Fisher Gallery.

Southern California provides a fertile cultural environment for the practice and study of fine arts. In Los Angeles, there are more galleries and museums per capita than anywhere else on the planet. These include the Getty Center, the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA), the Norton Simon Museum, and the Pacific Asia Museum, as well as hundreds of commercial galleries and alternative spaces, many in close proximity to the campus. Museums, galleries, advertising agencies, design firms, artist studios, and the music and film industries offer a wealth of internship and employment opportunities.

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# **General Information**

#### **Degrees Offered**

At the undergraduate level, the school offers the Bachelor of Fine Arts. The Bachelor of Arts (fine arts-studio arts) is offered in conjunction with the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences. The School of Fine Arts also offers six minor programs in studio arts and participates in a 3-D animation minor in conjunction with the School of Engineering's Information Technology Program and a communication design minor in conjunction with the Marshall School of Business and the Annenberg School for Communication.

Degrees offered at the graduate level are: Master of Fine Arts, Master of Public Art Studies, and a dual degree, Master of Public Art Studies/Master of Planning.

# Minimum Grade Point Average Requirements

A minimum grade of C (2.0) or higher is required in all studio and art history courses for all undergraduate majors and minors in the School of Fine Arts. A grade of C- or lower will not satisfy a major or minor requirement. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 must be maintained by all candidates for the Master of Fine Arts and Master of Public Art Studies.

# **Undergraduate Admission**

Admission to the School of Fine Arts at the undergraduate level is granted through the USC Office of Admission. A supplementary application form and portfolio information is available to download at *finearts.usc.edu*. Applicants applying before January 10 for the

fall semester will receive priority consideration for admission to the university. The deadline for transfer applicants for the fall semester is February 1.

A portfolio consisting of 10 to 15 images in slide form or on a cd, in addition to the supplemental application, is required for all B.F.A. or B.A. (Fine Arts-Studio Arts) studio applicants. Portfolios must be sent directly to the School of Fine Arts. For additional information, please call the USC School of Fine Arts at (213) 740-2787 or email finearts@usc.edu.

Students who have not been admitted to the School of Fine Arts may complete a maximum of 20 units at USC. No further course work may be taken until admitted. Students who complete the maximum number of units without gaining admission to the school will be advised to select another major. Students are encouraged to contact the school's Student Services Office, Watt Hall 116, (213) 821-1290, for advisement and assistance.

# **Graduate Admission**

Applications for admission to the graduate programs of the School of Fine Arts are evaluated by the USC Office of Admission before being forwarded to the school. Students must be admitted by both the Graduate School and the School of Fine Arts. The Graduate School's general admission requirements include official transcripts of all previous college and university work.

Applicants to all graduate programs in the School of Fine Arts must submit a supplemental application, available at *finearts.usc.edu*, and three letters of recommendation from instructors or persons able to comment on the applicant's creative work. Please note the additional admission requirements on the supplemental application form.

# Advisement

Academic advisement is provided to fine arts majors, minors and graduate students through the School of Fine Arts Student Services Office in Watt Hall 116, (213) 821-1290. The staff advisors provide information regarding academic life at the university, program requirements, policies and procedures to assist students with their degree completion. Majors are required to meet with the advisor before registering each semester. Appointments may be scheduled at most times during the academic year.

#### **International Study Options**

Fine Arts majors may take advantage of art courses offered through study abroad programs in Canberra, Australia; Cape Town, South Africa; and Florence or Cortona, Italy. These options are described on pages 67 through 73. Please contact USC Overseas Studies Office in CAS 104, (213) 740-3636, or www.usc.edu/LAS/overseas for complete information, program requirements and applications.

# **Undergraduate Degrees**

# Bachelor of Fine Arts

The B.F.A. is a four-year studio intensive program in preparation for a career in the fine arts, and/or related fields or pursuit of a master of fine arts degree. With few required courses or electives and a wide variety of media from which to choose, the B.F.A. provides ample opportunity to explore and develop a strong personal vision in art.

Introductory courses focus on technique and conceptual context while building a solid grounding in art history and critical theory. Advanced students work on self-generated independent projects under the guidance and mentoring of individual faculty members. Emphasis in the last year is on the production of a professional quality portfolio of work.

# **Curriculum Requirements**

The B.F.A. requires a total of 128 units, including 96 units of fine art requirements.

REQUIRED COURSES		UNITS
FA 101a	Drawing	4
FA 102	Design Fundamentals	4
FA 106	Sculpture I	4
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
FA 250	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy II	4
FA 350	Art Theory and	
	Criticism	4
FA 450x	Senior Seminar	4
One course from	the following:	
AHIS 363	Race, Gender and Sexu	ality
	in Contemporary Art	4
AHIS 370	Modern Art III:	
	1940 to the Present	4
PAS 371	Art in the Public Realm	1:
	Contemporary Issues	4

Fine Arts electives:

Select 24 additional units from the following: FA 100-299 studio, no "x" classes

Select 40 additional units from the following: FA 300-499 studio

Total units: 96

# **General Education Requirements**

The university's general education program provides a coherent, integrated introduction to the breadth of knowledge you will need to consider yourself (and to be considered by other people) a generally well-educated person. This new program requires six courses in different categories, plus writing and diversity requirements, which together comprise the USC Core. See pages 60 and 229 for more information.

# Bachelor of Arts, Fine Arts (Studio Arts)

The bachelor of arts is a liberal arts degree that provides the student with a combination of studio art and the choice of a minor field of study such as communication, multimedia, education, business, film or computer animation. The B.A. program offers a more flexible and broad academic education than the bachelor of fine arts degree while still providing a meaningful experience in the studio area that can be an asset in preparing for many art-related careers.

# **Curriculum Requirements**

The bachelor of arts (B.A.) requires a total of 128 units including 64 units of fine arts requirements.

FA 101a	Drawing	4
FA 102	Design Fundamentals	4
FA 106	Sculpture I	4
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
FA 250	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy II	4
FA 350	Art Theory and	
	Criticism	4
FA 450x	Senior Seminar	4
One course from	the following:	
AHIS 363	Race, Gender and Sexua	ılity
	in Contemporary Art	4
AHIS 370	Modern Art III:	
	1940 to the Present	4
PAS 371	Art in the Public Realm:	
	Contemporary Issues	4

REQUIRED COURSES

Fine Arts electives:

UNITS

Select 16 additional units from the following: FA 100-299 studio, no "x" classes

Select 16 additional units from the following: FA 300-499 studio

Total units: 64

# **General Education Requirements**

The university's general education program provides a coherent, integrated introduction to the breadth of knowledge you will need to consider yourself (and to be considered by other people) a generally well-educated person. This new program requires six courses in different categories, plus writing, foreign language and diversity requirements, which together comprise the USC Core. See pages 60 and 229 for more information.

# Minor and Honors Programs

# Minors in Fine Arts

The School of Fine Arts offers minors in fine arts as supplements to major fields of specialization in other departments and schools for students whose academic programs do not permit the opportunity to pursue one of the school's regular degree options. There are six intensive studio minors - in painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, two-dimensional studies, and digital media-based imaging as well as interdisciplinary graphics minors in communication design and 3-D animation. There is a separate application for fine arts minors.

Candidates for the minors in the School of Fine Arts will be counseled by an academic advisor in the School of Fine Arts.

# Minor in Communication Design

The core of this minor is communication design. In addition to courses in design, visual literacy and digital imaging, this minor includes optional courses in business, communication, journalism and marketing, allowing students to translate their design foundation in ways that are directly relevant to their career paths. The total number of units required for the minor is 24.

REQUIRED COURSES		UNITS	
FA 102	Design Fundamentals	4	
One lower divisi	ion course (4 units) chosen		
from the followi	ng:		
FA 150	Visual Culture and		
	Literacy I	4	
FA 202	Design II (corequisite:		
	FA 203)	4	
FA 210	Introduction to Digital		
	Photography	4	
FA 215	Introduction to Digital		
	Video and Interactivity	4	
Four upper divis	sion courses (16 units) chose	en	
from the followi			
ACCT 410v	Accounting for		

rour upper divis	sion courses (16 units) chosen	
from the followi	ng:	
ACCT 410x	Accounting for	
	Non-Business Majors	4
BAEP 423	Management of Small	
	Businesses	4
BAEP 451	The Management of New	
	Enterprises	4
BAEP 454	The Entrepreneurial	
	Business Plan	4
BUAD 307	Marketing Fundamentals	4
COMM 321	Communication in the	
	Virtual Group	4
COMM 339	Communication	
	Technology and Culture	4

COMM 340	The Culture of New
	Media 4
COMM 375	Business and Professional
	Communication 4
FA 302	Design III 4
FA 310	Digital Photo Studio 4
FA 315	Multimedia Studio 4
FA 320	Video Studio 4
FA 332	Typography 2
FA 402	Advanced Design
	Projects 4, max 12
FA 410	Advanced Digital
	Photo Studio 4, max 12
FA 415	Advanced
	Multimedia Studio 4, max 12
FA 420	Advanced Video
	Studio 4, max 12
JOUR 340	Introduction to Advertising 4
JOUR 342	Advertising Media and
	Analysis 4
JOUR 343	Advertising Design and
	Production 4
MKT 405	Advertising and Promotion
	Management 4
MKT 406	Practicum in Advertising
	and Promotion Design 4
MKT 450	Consumer Behavior and
	Marketing 4
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# Minor in Digital Media-based Imaging

This minor deals with art making using new technologies, including digital photography, digital video and computer imaging. Course work includes choice of classes in history of photography, digital media, visual literacy and computer imaging. The professional aspects of this minor assist students in developing careers in fine arts, communication, engineering, film, journalism and in any area where there is a need for flexible and creative imaging using digital media. The total number of units required for the minor is 28.

REQUIRED COURS	ES	UNITS
Lower division		
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
FA 209a	Photography	4
FA 210	Introduction to Digital	
	Photography	4
FA 215	Introduction to Digital	
	Video and Interactivity	4
Three upper different the follow	ivision courses (12 units) cho	osen
AHIS 373	History of Photography	_
	Pictorialism to	
	Postmodernism	4

AHIS 469	Critical Approaches to		
	Photography		4
CTAN 451	History of Animatio	n	2
FA 310	Digital Photo Studi	0	4
FA 315	Multimedia Studio		4
FA 320	Video Studio		4
FA 350	Art Theory and Cris	ticism	4
FA 410	Advanced Digital		
	Photo Studio	4, max 1	2
FA 415	Advanced		
	Multimedia Studio	4, max 1	2
FA 420	Advanced Video		
	Studio	4. max 1	2

# Minor in Drawing

**REQUIRED COURSES (24 UNITS)** 

Students enrolled in the minor in drawing will develop their creativity and technical drawing skills, as well as deepen their understanding of contemporary art. Foundation courses provide the fundamentals of spatial rendering, composition, figure drawing and visual expression. Advanced courses require more ambitious projects, personal direction, research and sustained focus. The minor is available to all USC students who wish to develop their abilities to communicate through visual means, or who wish to develop skills for conceptualization and problem solving. The minor in drawing can assist the students in art-related work, as well as creative pursuits such as printed works with images, Web sites, games and animation. A total of 24 units are required for this minor.

FA 101ab	Drawing	4-4	
FA 201a	Life Drawing	4	
Optional extra	lower-division cours	e:	
FA 150	Visual Culture a	ınd	
	Literacy I	4	
FA 201b	Life Drawing	4	
* *	division courses (12 u	nits) chosen	
from the follow	U		
FA 301	Advanced Draw	ring 4	
FA 311	Printmaking	Printmaking 4	
FA 331	The Human Fig	The Human Figure in	
	Narrative Drawi	ing 2	
FA 350	Art Theory and	Criticism 4	
FA 401	Topics in Advar	nced	
	Drawing	4, max 12	
FA 411	Topics in Advar	nced	
	Printmaking	4, max 12	
Minor in Pain	ting		

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Within both western and non-western traditions, painting has a long history as a site for aesthetic experience and cultural questioning. This minor allows students to immerse themselves in painting, as well as developing a grasp of the critical issues surrounding it. Foundation courses provide the fundamentals of color, composition, medium and drawing. Advanced courses require more ambitious projects, personal direction, research and sustained focus. Students majoring in many areas of the humanities may pursue this minor to augment their understanding of one of the key media in the arts. The minor is available to all USC students who wish to develop their painting skills. A total of 24 units are required for this minor.

#### REQUIRED COURSES (24 UNITS)

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Three lower division courses (12 units) chosen from the following:

FA 101a	Drawing	4
FA 102	Design Fundamentals	4
FA 105	Painting I	4
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
FA 205ab	Painting II	4-4
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Three upper division courses (12 units) chosen from the following:

FA 305	Advanced Painti	ng	4
FA 311	Printmaking		4
FA 350	Art Theory and	Criticism	4
FA 405	Topics in Advan	ced	
	Painting	4, max 1	2
FA 411	Topics in Advan	ced	
	Printmaking	4, max 1	2

# Minor in Photography

REQUIRED COURSES

The photography minor provides an in-depth experience in all aspects of photography. The well-equipped darkrooms allow individual hands-on exploration of black and white and color processes, camera types, historical and traditional printing methods, lighting and film technology. It also includes a foundation in photo theory and criticism. This minor is appropriate for students interested in an intense experiential exploration of the medium of photography. The total number of units required for the minor is 28.

Lower division co	ourses (16 units)	
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
FA 209ab	Photography	4-4
FA 210	Introduction to Digital	
	Photography	4
One upper division the following:	on course (4 units) chosen	from
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AHIS 373	History of Photography	
	Pictorialism to	
	Postmodernism	4
AHIS 469	Critical Approaches to	

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ı	l wo	upper	division	courses (	8 units):	

FA 309	Advanced Photo	graphy	4
FA 310	Digital Photo St	udio	4
FA 350	Art Theory and	Criticism	4
FA 409	Topics in Advan	ced	
	Photography	4, max 1	2
FA 410	Advanced Digita	ıl	
	Photo Studio	4, max 1	2

#### Minor in Sculpture

This minor focuses on making, organizing and manipulating objects and their spatial relationships in a range of materials such as wood, fiberglass, clay, plaster, latex and metal. Course work includes choice of classes in sculpture, ceramics, visual literacy, public art, moldmaking, metal and casting. The three-dimensional skills taught in this minor intersect with many other disciplines including architecture, cinema-television, special effects, engineering design, urban planning and any other areas where skills in maquette and model building are relevant. The total number of units required for the minor is 28.

REQUIRED COURSES		UNITS
FA 106	Sculpture I	4
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
Eight lower division	on units chosen from the	
following:		
FA 101a	Drawing	4
FA 112	Ceramics	4
FA 136	Modeling and Mold	
	Making	2
FA 206	Sculpture II	4
FA 212	Wheel Throwing	2
FA 213	Clay and Glazes	2
FA 236	Metal	2
FA 246	Construction Technique	es 2

Three upper division courses (12 units) chosen from the following:

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FA 306	Advanced Scul	pture 4
FA 312	Advanced Cera	amics 4
FA 366	Art and Site	4
FA 406	Topics in Adva	ınced
	Sculpture	4, max 12
FA 412	Topics in Adva	ınced
	Ceramics	4, max 12
FA 436	Art and Techn	ology 4
PAS 400	Contemporary	Public Art 4

# Minor in Two-Dimensional Studies

This minor is designed for students who wish to augment their understanding of art in general in two-dimensional areas, rather than complete a minor that focuses on one medium. This minor provides a broad scope of courses in 2-D media and studies. This minor is open to any USC student, especially those interested in animation to sharpen their drawing, color and compositional skills. Students interested in the vast varieties of digital visual communication can develop

better color and compositional skills. Total number of units required is 28.

REQUIRED COURS	REQUIRED COURSES (28 UNITS)	
Four lower div	ision courses (16 units) chos	en
from the follow	ving:	
FA 101ab	Drawing	4-4
FA 102	Design Fundamentals	4
FA 105	Painting I	4
FA 150	Visual Culture and	
	Literacy I	4
FA 201ab	Life Drawing	4-4
FA 205ab	Painting II	4-4
FA 207abx	Two-Dimensional Art	
	Workshop	2-2
FA 210	Introduction to Digital	
	Photography	4
FA 215	Introduction to Digital	
	Video and Interactivity	4
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Three upper division courses (12 units) chosen from the following:

FA 301	Advanced Drawi	ing 4
FA 305	Advanced Painti	ng 4
FA 310	Digital Photo St	udio 4
FA 311	Printmaking	4
FA 315	Multimedia Stud	dio 4
FA 331	The Human Fig	ure in
	Narrative Drawin	ng 2
FA 350	Art Theory and	Criticism 4
FA 401	Topics in Advan	ced
	Drawing	4, max 12
FA 405	Topics in Advan	ced
	Painting	4, max 12
FA 411	Topics in Advan	ced
	Printmaking	4, max 12

# Minor in 3-D Animation

The 3-D animation minor merges theoretical concepts and practical skills to prepare students for a career in their major field of work with incorporation of 3-D animation and interactive technologies. Through integration of three major disciplines (cinema, fine arts and information technology), students gain a solid foundation in a wide range of important industry and academic skills. Two concentrations are available depending on professional goals and career or industry objectives. Refer to the School of Engineering's Information Technology program, page 620, for course requirements.

# Honors in Multimedia Scholarship

This program offers qualified undergraduate students an opportunity to approach their discipline(s) of study through the critical application of multimedia expression and scholarship. The student experience will be characterized by smaller classes taught by leading faculty members and enriched by a program of lecture series, visiting scholars, symposia and conferences. For complete program requirements, see the Interdisciplinary Programs section, page 103.

# **Graduate Degrees**

# Master of Fine Arts

A two-year program administered in collaboration with the Graduate School, the Master of Fine Arts is a professional degree in the practice of art preparing students to pursue careers as professional artists. The opportunity to gain experience as a teaching assistant is available on a competitive basis. Applicants must hold a Bachelor of Fine Arts, or equivalent, from an accredited school. The intended area of primary interest must be indicated and the applicant must provide 20 images or videos of recent work. Transfer work applicable to the M.F.A. degree must have been completed within five years of the date of application. Supplemental applications are available at finearts.usc.edu.

Supplemental applications and related materials should be sent directly to: Graduate Programs, School of Fine Arts, Watt Hall 104, University of Southern California, University Park, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0292. Applicants wishing to have their portfolios returned should include a stamped, selfaddressed envelope or mailing container.

# **Program Requirements**

At least 48 units are required for the Master of Fine Arts, to be distributed as follows: FA 515 Visiting Artist Forum, 6 units, FA 520 Individual Studies, max 16 units; FA 555 Seminar in Art Theory and Criticism, 8 units; FA 550 Seminar: Contemporary Issues, 4 units; FA 551 Fine Art and Interdisciplinary Studies, 8 units; 400 or 500level electives outside of Fine Arts, 4 units; 594abz Master's Thesis, 4 units.

Master of Fine Arts students are evaluated by faculty during reviews held near the end of each semester. Before a student is recommended for the Master of Fine Arts, a comprehensive review of past work and professional goals is held. An exhibition of work at the end of the course of study and a written thesis, documented with visual material, complete the Master of Fine Arts program. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 on all graduate work is required for the Master of Fine Arts degree.

Complete details can be found in the School of Fine Arts Graduate Studio Guidelines, obtainable upon admission to the program.

# Master of Public Art Studies

The Master of Public Art Studies program is a two-year program administered by the School of Fine Arts and designed to meet the special training needs of individuals whose career goals are oriented toward professional work in public art. The long range objectives of the program are to provide students and professionals with the necessary skills, knowledge and experience to become successful administrators and problem solvers. The program is founded on the principle of using the facilities of the university both as a practical laboratory and as a catalyst for furthering dialogue, collaboration and research. The goal of the program is to build bridges between disciplines, the university and the community.

# **Admission Requirements**

Admission to the Public Art Studies program is granted through the USC Office of Graduate Admission, which receives and processes all applications, evaluates credentials and issues notification letters. The School of Fine Arts establishes and monitors the standards under which students are admitted. Admission to the university under the standard of the School of Fine Arts is determined by the Office of Graduate Admission on the recommendation of the Public Arts Studies

program. The following are the basic requirements: (1) a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Fine Arts degree or its equivalent from an accredited college or university comparable in standards to that awarded at USC; (2) a 3.0 overall GPA; and (3) three letters of recommendation. Credentials for admission must include a complete record of all previous colleges or universities attended. The GRE is required only if the applicant is applying for financial aid.

# Thesis Requirements

A master's thesis committee comprises three members: the director of the program, the primary reader and a professional from the student's area of emphasis (administration, history, practice).

The thesis committee shall be established after the student completes the second semester's course work. The committee, after a comprehensive review of the candidate's past work and professional goals, will determine if the student is to be recommended for advancement.

# **Program Requirements**

A minimum of 32 units, usually taken during a two-year period, is required, to be distributed as follows:

FIRST YEAR, FALL		UNITS
PAS 549	Public Art Communication	
	Management	2
PAS 561	Administration Survey	3
PAS 571	History Survey	3
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FIRST YEAR, SPRING		UNITS
PAS 550a	Public Art in the	UNITS
	Public Art in the Community	UNITS
PAS 550a	Community	
PAS 550a	Community Administration and	1
PAS 550a PAS 562	Community Administration and Program Development	1

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SECOND YEAR, FALL		UNITS
PAS 550b	Public Art in the	
	Community	1
PAS 585	Public Space, the Public	;
	Realm and Public Art	3
PAS 594a	Master's Thesis, or	
PAS 593a	Final Thesis Project	2
Elective	· ·	2

SECOND YEAR, S	PRING	UNITS
PAS 591	Field Internship Experience	1
PAS 594b	Master's Thesis, or	
PAS 593b	Final Thesis Project	2
Elective		4
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# Elective Requirement

Candidates for the Master of Public Art Studies must complete a minimum of 6 units of graduate level electives, chosen from any relevant area in the university, with departmental approval.

# **Dual Degree**

# Master of Public Art Studies/Master of Planning

The Master of Public Art Studies/Master of Planning dual degree program offers an unusually rich opportunity for students interested in developing a new knowledge base to become a successful professional working in the arena of public art administration, planning and community development. Los Angeles and the facilities at USC provide a unique learning laboratory to educate a more competitive professional with a better understanding of both the administration of public art and issues of urban planning.

Students must complete the following requirements in this program: 64 units, including 22 units in public art studies, 22 in policy, planning, and development, and 20 in a field of study with no more than 8 units taken from other USC programs.

PUBLIC ART STUDIES (22 UNITS)		UNITS
PAS 561	Administration Survey	3
PAS 562	Administration and	
	Program Development	3
PAS 571	History Survey	3
PAS 572	History	3
PAS 581	Forum	2

PAS 585	Public Space, the Public	:
	Realm and Public Art	3
PAS 591	Field Internship	
	Experience	1
PAS 594ab	Master's Thesis, or	
PAS 593ab	Final Thesis Project	2-2
POLICY, PLANNING, A	AND	
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DEVELOPMENT (22 UNITS) UN		TS
PPD 500	Cross-Sectoral Governance	4
PPD 524	Planning Theory	2
PPD 525	Statistics and Arguing	
	from Data	2
PPD 526	Comparative International	
	Development	2
PPD 528	The Urban Economy	2
PPD 529	Legal Environment of	
	Planning	2
PPD 531L	Core Laboratory	
	Workshop	4
PPD 627	Design Skills for Urban	
	Planners	4

Note: 2-unit courses may be offered in seven-and-a-half week blocks.

Dual degree students, like all other M.Pl. students, must take a comprehensive examination and fulfill the internship requirement.

# Field of Study (20 units)

No more than 8 units from outside the Schools of Fine Arts and Policy, Planning, and Development.

# Capstone Projects

Students must complete a master's thesis or final thesis project through the School of Fine Arts and the M.Pl. comprehensive examination through the School of Policy, Planning, and Development

# Internship

All students must complete 400 hours of internship through the School of Policy, Planning, and Development. This internship may be partially or completely fulfilled through prior professional experience.

# Courses of Instruction

#### FINE ARTS (FA)

The terms indicated are *expected* but are not *guaranteed*. For the courses offered during any given term, consult the *Schedule of Classes*.

**101ab Drawing (4-4, FaSpSm)** *a:* An introduction to drawing, both skill and perception oriented, as the basic tool for all the visual arts. *b:* Continuation of *a*.

**102 Design Fundamentals (4, FaSp)** Introduction to the basic elements and processes of visual communication and design. Instruction includes studio projects, lectures and readings. Various media used.

**105 Painting I (4, FaSpSm)** Practical introduction to oil and acrylic pigments, painting equipment, processes, and media. Also, primary experience in: color, composition and perception through representational and abstract painting.

**106 Sculpture I (4, FaSp)** Practical and theoretical introduction to sculpture as dimensional manipulation. Primary exploration of form, mass, gravity, surface, structure and associative recognition in three-dimensional art.

**112 Ceramics (4, FaSpSm)** Practical and theoretical exploration of the nature of surface, form, volume and mass as fundamental elements of clay sculpture and the ceramic object.

**136 Modeling and Mold Making (2, FaSp)** Introduction to plaster mold making using clay and wax for both ceramics and sculpture. Exploration of casting materials. (Duplicates credit in FA 208*ax*.)

**140x A Cultural Guide to Los Angeles (2, FaSp)** An experiential and critical survey of the cultural phenomena that make up Los Angeles: dance, music, theater, film; emphasis on visual arts. Not available for major credit to fine arts majors. Graded CR/NC.

**142x Contemporary Arts and Artists (2)** Visual art in Los Angeles. Introduction to modern and contemporary art through lectures, discussions and guided tours to museums and galleries. Seminars, readings and written papers. Not available for major credit to fine arts majors.

**150 Visual Culture and Literacy I (4, FaSp)** Introduction to modern and contemporary visual culture with emphasis on the major aesthetic theories and practices of the past 150 years.

**201ab Life Drawing (4-4, FaSp)** An introduction to the representation and depiction of the human form. Emphasis on anatomical, compositional, gestural, environmental and interpretive drawing. *Prerequisite:* FA 101*b. b:* Continuation of *a.* 

**202 Design II (4, FaSp)** Exploration of essential elements of traditional and digital design, including color and image-text integration, editing information, typography and sequencing. *Prerequisite:* FA 102; *corequisite:* FA 203.

# 203 Digital Tools for Design (2, FaSp)

Exploration of the processes of germination, ideation and application/execution in design integrated with computer usage.

**205ab Painting II (4-4, FaSpSm)** A continuation of the practical and theoretical skills introduced in Painting I. Color as an issue in personal expression and perception; color as content, cultural and social subjects/objects, symbols and to signify a personal language. *Prerequisite:* FA 105. *b:* Continuation of *a.* 

**206** Sculpture II (4, FaSp) Continued examination of the concepts of three-dimensional art: interrelation of material and image, public, human and intimate scale. *Prerequisite:* FA 106.

**207abx Two-Dimensional Art Workshop** (a: 2, max 8, Fa; b: 2, max 8, FaSp) *a*: Studio practice to develop standards of judgment and appreciation of the visual arts. Not available for credit to studio majors. *b*: Continuation of *a*.

**208abx Three-Dimensional Art Workshop** (a: 2, max 8, FaSp; b: 2, max 8, FaSp) *a:* Studio practice to develop standards of judgment and appreciation of the visual arts. Not available for credit to studio majors. *b:* Continuation of *a.* 

**209ab Photography (4-4, FaSp)** Introduction to the practice of photographic image making within a fine arts context. Emphasis on the development of technical skills in relation to personal vision. Work is in black and white. *b*: Continuation of *a*.

**210** Introduction to Digital Photography **(4, FaSp)** An introductory course exploring the processes and practices of digital capture, imaging and printing, from web-based image posting to large-scale printing. (Duplicates credit in former FA 210*a*.)

**212 Wheel Throwing (2, FaSp)** An introductory course using wheel throwing techniques for ceramics to explore a variety of forms through three-dimensional exercises.

**213** Clay and Glazes (2, Sp) Provides a foundation in clay and glaze materials as they relate to making ceramic art. *Prerequisite:* FA 112.

**215** Introduction to Digital Video and Interactivity (4, FaSp) A course in digital imaging, which through studio practice and critical inquiry, explores the implications and potential of digitally-based image making. (Duplicates credit in former FA 210*b*.)

**236 Metal (2, FaSp)** Introduction to metal in fine art. Emphasis on technical proficiencies and effective solutions working in a variety of metals. *Recommended preparation:* FA 106.

# 246 Construction Techniques (2, FaSp)

Exploration of art fabrication and the techniques and philosophies of working with a variety of materials. *Recommended preparation:* FA 106.

**250** Visual Culture and Literacy II (4, FaSp) Critical examination of the key developments and theoretical discourses of 20th century visual culture. *Recommended preparation:* FA 150.

# 301 Advanced Drawing (4, FaSpSm)

Directed examination of personal approaches in drawing; emphasis on making visual and artistic decisions and developing an appropriate attitude towards individual expression. *Prerequisite:* FA 201*b.* 

**302 Design III (4, FaSp)** Advanced exploration of typography and image-text integration, including collaborative projects, pre-press and proofing techniques, narrative concepts and information architecture. *Prerequisite:* FA 202.

303x Fundamentals of Visual Expression (4)
Experiential and theoretical understanding of the fundamental elements and principles of visual expression; nature, purposes, and vocabulary of visual art in historic and contemporary contexts. Not available for credit to studio majors.

# 305 Advanced Painting (4, FaSpSm)

Directed examination of aesthetic concepts; investigation into personal ideas related to the development of a creative visual language in painting. *Prerequisite:* FA 205*b*.

**306** Advanced Sculpture (4, FaSp) Directed examination of three-dimensional aesthetic concepts; development of an individual creative vision. *Prerequisite:* FA 206, FA 436, or FA 366.

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# 307 Ideas in Intermedia (4, max 12, FaSp)

An examination of the impact of digital media on contemporary culture, with attention to a particular, changing topic topic each semester.

- **309** Advanced Photography (4, FaSp) Continuation of the practice of photographic image making within a fine arts context, furthering technical and conceptual abilities. Continuation of critical readings. *Prerequisite:* FA 209*b.*
- **310 Digital Photo Studio (4, FaSp)** A technically and conceptually intensive studio in digital 2-D imaging/photography. *Prerequisite:* FA 210.
- **311 Printmaking (4, FaSp)** Introductory course in various printmaking techniques; necessary skills and inherent expressive qualities of different printmaking methods are explored.

# 312 Advanced Ceramics (4, FaSpSm)

Directed examination of aesthetic concepts and investigation into personal ideas as they relate to the development of a creative visual language in ceramics. *Prerequisite*: FA 112.

- **315** Multimedia Studio (4, FaSp) An intensive multimedia studio in the understanding and method of interactive, web design, and game-based creative work. *Prerequisite:* FA 215.
- **320 Video Studio (4, FaSp)** An intensive video studio in the understanding and method of time-based, narrative and nonnarrative art. *Prerequisite:* FA 215.
- **325** Three-Dimensional Imaging Studio (4, FaSp) A technical and conceptual 3-D digital media course for students who wish to incorporate computer arts technology and thought in their 3-D work. *Prerequisite:* FA 106, FA 215.
- 330 Ideas in Intermedia (4, max 12, FaSp)

An examination of the impact of digital media on contemporary culture, with attention to a particular, changing topic each semester.

**331** The Human Figure in Narrative Drawing (2, Sp) An introduction to visual storytelling in both its historical and contemporary contexts. Emphasis on aesthetic, conceptual and technical skills for figurative narration. *Prerequisite:* FA 101*a*.

**332 Typography (2, Fa)** The study of visual communication through the use of letter-forms from historical tradition to contemporary experimental rebellion.

- **334** Space/Motion/Site: Investigating Performance and Installation (2) Exploration of performance and installation art, including historical influences and integration of multimedia and new technologies.
- **350 Art Theory and Criticism (4, FaSp)** An intellectual framework for the practice of art making; the historical context for current ideas. (Duplicates credit in former FA 204.)
- **366 Art and Site (4, Fa)** Exploration focusing on site as a major component of artwork in both content and form, emphasizing multidimensional work in relation to context, material and intent. *Prerequisite:* FA 106 or PAS 371.
- **390** Special Problems (1-4) Supervised, individual studies. No more than one registration permitted. Enrollment by petition only.
- **401 Topics in Advanced Drawing (4, max 12, FaSpSm)** Continued directed examination of personal approaches in drawing, emphasis on making visual and artistic decisions and developing an appropriate attitude toward visual expression. *Prerequisite:* FA 301.
- **402** Advanced Design Projects (4, max 12, FaSp) Advanced information design within a flexible curriculum. Emphasis on teamoriented projects. *Prerequisite:* FA 302.
- **405** Topics in Advanced Painting (4, max 12, FaSpSm) Directed painting with continued emphasis on personal choices regarding appropriation of conceptual images and arrangement, material processes, scale, number of paintings. Ongoing critical response to painting. *Prerequisite:* FA 101*ab*, FA 102, FA 305.
- **406** Topics in Advanced Sculpture (4, max 12, FaSp) Individual direction of the study of aesthetic issues in sculpture; investigation of an individual creative vision. *Prerequisite:* FA 306.
- **409 Topics in Advanced Photography (4, max 12, FaSp)** In-depth exploration of photographic and artistic concepts as they apply to the articulation of personal work. *Prerequisite:* FA 309.
- **410** Advanced Digital Photo Studio (4, max 12, FaSp) Intensive open studio environment for individually-directed student art projects in the digital media, with an emphasis on 2-D photography. *Prerequisite:* FA 310.

- **411 Topics in Advanced Printmaking (4, max 12, FaSp)** Directed examination of specific printmaking media in relation to personal aesthetic goals and expressive concepts. *Prerequisite:* FA 311.
- **412 Topics in Advanced Ceramics (4, max 12, FaSpSm)** Continued directed examination of aesthetic concepts and investigation into personal ideas as they relate to the development of a creative visual language in ceramics. *Prerequisite:* FA 312.
- **415** Advanced Multimedia Studio (4, max 12, FaSp) An intensive open studio environment for individually-directed interactive-and web-based student art projects. *Prerequisite:* FA 315.
- **418** Independent Studies in Studio Arts **(1-4, max 10, FaSpSm)** Independent research of specific topics under the direction of a faculty member. Administrative and faculty approval required. *Recommended preparation:* appropriate 300-level course work.
- **419 Professional Internship in the Arts (2, max 4, FaSpSm)** An experiential/academic opportunity in a museum, gallery, community cultural center, or related facility. Lectures, seminars, written analysis, and working internship. Open to upper division fine arts majors.
- **420** Advanced Video Studio (4, max 12, FaSp) An intensive open studio environment for individually-directed student art projects in the digital media, with an emphasis on video. *Prerequisite:* FA 320.
- **432** Special Projects in Design (2, max 6, FaSp) Students work on projects for outside clients, and receive instruction in professional practices, advanced design techniques, and sophisticated technology. By invitation or portfolio review only. Only open to upper division students. *Prerequisite:* FA 302.
- **436** Art and Technology (4, Sp) An interdisciplinary course between art and engineering that addresses creative thinking in the manipulation of media and the communication of ideas. (Duplicates credit in former FA 336).
- **450x Senior Seminar (4, FaSp)** Contemporary professional issues facing the studio artist; current directions in the visual arts; forces and attitudes affecting the practicing artist in our society. Available for credit to Fine Arts majors only.
- **499 Special Topics (2-4, max 8, FaSpSm)** Comprehensive exploration of particular aspects of visual art.

# 515 Visiting Artist Forum (1, max 6,

**FaSpSm)** Lecture and discussion course in the professional practice of art featuring formal presentations by visiting artists.

**520** Individual Studies (1-5, max 16, FaSpSm) Investigation of creative problems through various media. Course may be repeated; maximum number of units to be determined by advisor.

**550 Seminar: Contemporary Issues (1, max 4, FaSp)** Study of issues relative to current directions in the visual arts; analysis and implications of forces contributing to conceptual development.

**551 Fine Art and Interdisciplinary Studies (4, max 12, Fa)** Issues and theories of contemporary art in relation to philosophy, history, literature, music, theatre, film, culture, politics, science, psychology and other disciplines.

**555** Seminar in Art Theory and Criticism (4, max 8, Sm) An intensive seminar taught by well-known visiting critics, writers and artists addressing the deconstruction of a variety of theories in the humanities, including art, film, literature, and philosophy.

**560 Studies in Two-Dimensional Media (1-8, max 22, FaSpSm)** Investigation of creative problems through two-dimensional media. Course may be repeated; maximum number of units to be determined by advisor.

**570** Studies in Three-Dimensional Media (1-8, max 22, FaSpSm) Investigation of creative problems through three-dimensional media. Course may be repeated; maximum number of units to be determined by advisor.

**580 Studies in Intermedia (1-8, max 22, FaSpSm)** Investigation of creative problems through intermedia. Course may be repeated; maximum number of units to be determined by advisor.

# 590 Directed Research (1-12, FaSpSm)

Research leading to the graduate degree. Maximum units which may be applied to the degree to be determined by the department. Graded CR/NC. *Prerequisite:* departmental approval, approval by Dean of School of Fine Arts or formal contract for research project.

**594abz Master's Thesis (2-2-0, FaSpSm)** Credit on acceptance of thesis. Graded IP/CR/NC.

# **PUBLIC ART STUDIES (PAS)**

**371** Art in the Public Realm: Contemporary Issues (4, FaSp) Critical frameworks and theoretical perspectives of contemporary public art issues explored through case studies and discussions with artists, architects, and designers engaging the public realm.

**400 Contemporary Public Art (4)** A survey of contemporary public art, its historical context and current trends, focusing on significant pieces and artists in Los Angeles and Southern California.

**499** Special Topics (2-4, max 8, FaSp) Comprehensive exploration of particular aspects of public art.

**549** Public Art Communication Management (2, Fa) Managing communication activities, communication through intra-firm publications; research methods; report and proposal preparation; communicating institutional policy and grant writing. (Duplicates credit in MPW 950.)

**550ab Public Art in the Community (1-1, Fa, Sp)** An administrative involvement within a community context. The collaborative experience shall involve developing public art solutions for projects specifically unique to the community.

**561 Administration Survey (3, Fa)** Survey of administrative approaches utilized by both private and public art agencies.

**562** Administration and Program Development (3, Sp) Comparative case studies of the administration of private/public art agencies and their development. Concluding with the development of individual program policy statements. *Prerequisite:* PAS 561.

**571 History Survey (3, Fa)** An introductory survey of the history of public art from prehistoric monuments to the present. Emphasis upon the recent developments.

**572 History (3, Sp)** Continued investigation of contemporary public art projects based upon case studies and the investigation of public art aesthetics and topics. *Prerequisite:* PAS 571 or departmental approval.

# 575 Practice of Public Art (2-6, max 12, FaSp)

Collaborative experience between artist, designer, and problem solver involved in developing public art solutions. Development of principles, processes, and skills utilized during the preparation of public art proposals.

**581 Forum (2, FaSp)** Study of public art philosophy, programs and practicalities of administration utilizing professionals with diverse backgrounds. Numerous field trips required. *Prerequisite:* PAS 561, PAS 562, PAS 571, PAS 572.

**582 Seminar: Contemporary Issues (3, Sp)** Study of issues relative to current directions in public art; analysis and implications of forces contributing to conceptual development. Graded CR/NC. *Prerequisite:* PAS 561, PAS 562, PAS 571, PAS 572, or departmental approval.

**585** Public Space, the Public Realm and Public Art (3, FaSp) Exploration of the economic, political and social dimensions of public art from the "public" rather than from the "art" point of view.

# 590 Directed Research (1-12, FaSpSm)

Research leading to the master's degree. Maximum units which may be applied to the degree to be determined by the department. Graded CR/NC.

**591 Field Internship Experience (1, max 2, FaSpSm)** Supervised internship participation within the context of a public/private art agency. Administrative involvement with community, artists, designers, professional agencies, and research. Graded CR/NC. *Recommended preparation:* successful completion of PAS core requirements.

**593abz Final Thesis Project (2-2-0)** Written/ visual documentation of final thesis project. Graded IP/CR/NC. Credit on acceptance of final thesis project. *Prerequisite:* successful completion of all other requirements.

**594abz Master's Thesis (2-2-0, FaSpSm)** Credit on acceptance of thesis. Graded IP/CR/NC.

599 Special Topics (2-4, max 8, FaSpSm)