

# VISUAL ARTS

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## Overview

The Department of Visual Arts offers professional instruction in six interrelated areas: art history, art practices, 3D animation, digital design, illustration, and photography.

Visual Arts provides a vital educational environment where future artists, designers, scholars and curators explore the horizons of their own talents in an atmosphere of critical dialogue and professional art and design practice. Students learn and experience various media of animation, digital design, drawing, illustration, painting, photography and transmedia sculpture, all within the rich context of a research university. Learning is predicated on both an understanding of art and media theory, and on the practical knowledge of methods and materials used in making art and design today. Art history studies focus on historical knowledge integrated with critical writing and analysis.

The department prides itself on fostering an appreciation for diverse approaches to visual culture and to reaching out to the larger art history, arts and design communities. Internships are available.

Graduating seniors receiving the Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) degree are required to participate in the BFA thesis exhibition during their last semester of study. This exhibition is scheduled for each spring term only.

## Programs

- 2D and Traditional Animation Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/2d-traditional-animation-minor/>)
- 3D Graphics and Animation Emphasis, BFA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/3d-graphics-animation-bfa/>)
- Art History Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/art-history-minor/>)
- Art History, Fine Arts BA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/art-history-ba/>)
- Art Practices Emphasis, BFA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/art-practices-bfa/>)
- Art Practices Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/art-practices-minor/>)
- Digital Design Emphasis, BFA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/digital-design-bfa/>)
- Digital Design Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/digital-design-minor/>)

- Game Art Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/game-art-minor/>)
- Illustration Emphasis, BFA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/illustration-bfa/>)
- Illustration Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/illustration-minor/>)
- Photography Emphasis, BFA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/photography-bfa/>)
- Photography Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/photography-minor/>)
- Virtual Production Minor (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-arts-media/visual-arts/virtual-production-minor/>)

*Many of the above options require FINE 2600 Art History Survey I and/or FINE 2610 Art History Survey II. Either course may also count toward Core Humanities (as part of the General Education requirements). Contact the College of Arts & Media at [CAM@ucdenver.edu](mailto:CAM@ucdenver.edu) for details.*

## Faculty

### Full Professors:

**Joann Brennan**, MFA, Massachusetts College of Art  
**Maria Elena Buszek**, PhD, University of Kansas  
**Melissa Furness**, MFA, University of Iowa  
**Carol Golemboski**, MFA, Virginia Commonwealth University  
**Rian Kerrane**, MFA, University of New Orleans

### Associate Professors:

**Quintin Gonzalez**, MFA, Yale University  
**Bryan Leister**, MFA, George Mason University  
**Jeffrey Schrader**, PhD, New York University, MA, Oberlin College  
**Travis Vermilye**, MFA, University of Michigan  
**Yang Wang**, PhD, The Ohio State University

### Assistant Professor Clinical Teaching Track:

**Howard Cook**, MFA DC, National University  
**Matthew Rutland**, MFA, University of Southern California

### Principal Instructor:

**Vivian George**, MFA, Yale University

### Senior Instructors:

**William Adams**, MA and MFA, University of New Mexico  
**Michael Brohman**, MA, University of Colorado Denver  
**Jeremy Brown**, BA, Hampshire College  
**Rebecca Heavner**, MLA, University of Colorado Denver  
**Elizabeth Pugliano**, PhD, Boston University

### Instructors:

**Paul Conner**, BA, Art Institute of Colorado  
**Lynn Mandziuk**, MFA, Savannah College of Art and Design  
**Stephen Schaf**, MFA, Academy of Art University, San Francisco

**Professor Emerita:**

**Michelle Carpenter**, MFA, University of Colorado Boulder

**Digital Animation (DACD)**

DACD 2810 - DAC: Modeling 1 (3 Credits)

A lecture/lab course focused on the mastery of creating surface models for digital 3D content. Students will develop skills/knowledge about the processes and techniques for building complex 3D objects with an emphasis on artistic excellence through application of current 3D technologies. Prereq: FINE 1810, FINE 1820, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1810 and FINE 1820 Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA with ANI sub-plan majors within the College of Arts and Media

DACD 2820 - DAC: Surfacing and Lighting 1 (3 Credits)

A Lecture/Lab course focused on the fundamentals of lighting and surfacing in a digital 3D environment. Students will develop skills and knowledge about the processes and techniques involved in creating realistic and/or narratively powerful materials and lighting for 3D animated films. Prereq: FINE 1810, FINE 1820, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1810 and FINE 1820 Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA with ANI sub-plan majors within the College of Arts and Media

DACD 2830 - DAC: Surfacing and Lighting 2 (3 Credits)

A Lecture/Lab course exploring advanced topics in the areas of surfacing, material design, lighting, and post-production. Students will further develop skills and knowledge learned in Surfacing and Lighting I. Emphasis will be placed on collaborative workflows for lighting and material design. Prereq: DACD 2810, DACD 2820, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2810, DACD 2820, and acceptance into DAC (FINE\_BFA ANI)

DACD 2850 - DAC: Modeling 2 (3 Credits)

A lecture/lab course focused on mastery of skills for creating organic digital 3D models. Students will develop skills/knowledge to shape, mold, transform/articulate, and deform digital 3D shapes. Focus will be on creating digital models, with an emphasis on artistic excellence through application of current 3D technologies. Prereq: DACD 2810, DACD 2820, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2810, DACD 2820, and acceptance into DAC (FINE\_BFA ANI)

DACD 3810 - DAC: Production Practices (3 Credits)

This is a lecture/lab course focused on the creation and implementation of collaborative workflows for CG filmmaking. Students will learn about 3D production pipelines and how they can be used to effectively and efficiently collaborate on large-scale projects. Prereq: DACD 2830 or DACD 2850, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2830 or DACD 2850, Acceptance into DAC.

DACD 3820 - Animation 1: Introduction to Animation and Rigging (3 Credits)

A studio course focused on foundational skills for animating digital 3D objects/characters. Students explore the process/techniques of key frame/pose-to-pose animating considering character performance, thought, constraints and velocity with an emphasis on artistic excellence through applications of current 3D technologies. Prereq: FINE 1810 and FINE 1820 and acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1810 and FINE 1820, and acceptance into DAC (FINE-BFA ANI)

DACD 3821 - DAC: VFX Rigging & Animation I (3 Credits)

A studio course focused on foundational skills for animating and rigging full digital 3D characters. Students explore the process/techniques of rigging for motion capture characters and adjusting their performance with consideration for thought, and animation with an emphasis on realistic VFX driven character performance. Prereq: DACD 2830, DACD 2850, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2830, DACD 2850, and acceptance into DAC (FINE-BFA ANI)

DACD 3830 - Advanced Character Animation (3 Credits)

A studio course focused on mastery of skills for rigging and animating digital 3D characters. Students explore the processes/techniques of animation rigging and its relationship to animating character performances. Prereq: DACD 3820, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 3820 and acceptance into DAC (FINE-BFA ANI)

DACD 3831 - Character FX (3 Credits)

A studio course focused on mastery of skills for rigging and animating digital 3D characters and objects and advance motion capture techniques. Students explore the processes/techniques of animation rigging and its relationship to realistic simulation of dynamic objects. Prereq: DACD 3820 and acceptance into DAC (FINE-BFA ANI). Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 3820 and acceptance into DAC (FINE-BFA ANI)

DACD 3835 - DAC: Visual Effects (3 Credits)

A lecture/lab course exploring the theory/techniques of creating visual effects sequences. Students explore how to develop complete effects shots, including shooting live plates, camera tracking, visual effects, and compositing, with an emphasis on artistic excellence through application of current 3D technologies. Prereq: DACD 2830, DACD 2850, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2830, DACD 2850, and acceptance into DAC (FINE-BFA ANI)

DACD 3846 - Production I (3 Credits)

The first in a three-semester capstone experience focusing on the DAC-BFA thesis short. Students assemble a team, organize/develop production management tools, story animatic, and begin work on a high-production-value short or experience through an academic simulation of a real-world studio pipeline. Prereq: DACD 2830 or 2850 and acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2830 or 2850 and acceptance into DAC (FINE\_BFA ANI).

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**DACD 4810 - Production II (3 Credits)**

The second in a three-semester capstone experience focusing on the production/post-production of the BFA thesis short. With teams formed and production plans set and initiated in DACD 3846: Production I, the student team completes its high-production-value animated short or experience. Prereq: DACD 3845 or DACD 3846, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 3845 or DACD 3846, and acceptance into DAC (FINE\_BFA ANI)

**DACD 4820 - Production III (3 Credits)**

The final semester of the DAC capstone experience focusing on finalizing their DAC-Senior-Short, preparing the student to enter the professional-world/graduate school, confirming their BFA Thesis presenting their body of work, website, demo-reel, and professional personal branding/resumes and becoming skilled at cover letters. Prereq: DACD 3845 or DACD 3846, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

Prereq: DACD 3845 or DACD 3846, and acceptance into DAC (FINE\_BFA ANI)

**Fine Arts (FINE)****FINE 1000 - Fostering Creativity (3 Credits)**

Through discussions, readings, writings and creative investigations, students will delve into theoretical and experiential approaches to creativity and consider how different kinds of creativity and passions can be identified, cultivated and leveraged in their current and future academic and professional lives. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Arts.

**FINE 1001 - Introduction to Art (3 Credits)**

The course introduces visual analysis and critical examination of art from prehistory to modern times. Through reading, vocabulary development, group discussions, tests, and research projects, students will learn how to appreciate art and critically evaluate form, content, and context. Max hours: 3 Credits. GT: Course is approved by the Colorado Dept of Higher Education for statewide guaranteed transfer, GT-AH1.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Arts; GT courses GT Pathways, GT-AH1, Arts Hum: Arts Expression.

**FINE 1002 - International Perspectives through Animation (3 Credits)**

This course is a look at world political, economic, social, and technological challenges through the lens of animation and visual storytelling. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, International Perspectives.

**FINE 1003 - Creative Coding (3 Credits)**

Through discussions, readings, writings, and creative investigations, students will identify and evaluate the digital tools and software present in everyday life while they explore and learn the basics of computer code and the power of code as a creative tool. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1004 - Video Games, Story and Society (3 Credits)**

By investigating various methods and theories, this course will examine how stories are crafted to fit the interactive aspects of video games, their resemblance and dependence on traditional stories, and how unorthodox plots, characters, and impact game play. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Arts.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 1100 - Drawing I (3 Credits)**

This course explores the act of drawing as a process of visual thought as an initial step to artistic expression. Students will develop an understanding of the basic principles of drawing as a way of learning to see. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1111 - First-Year Seminar (3 Credits)**

Restriction: Restricted to Freshman level students. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to Freshman level students

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 1120 - Photographic Fundamentals (3 Credits)**

Students learn fundamentals of digital photography through creative assignments that promote a broad understanding of the photographic medium. Topics include digital camera operation, sizing and resolution, principles of design, and interpreting photographic meaning. This course is designed for non-art majors. Restriction: Open to all students except FINE-BFA & BA. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Open to all students except FINE-BFA BA

**FINE 1140 - Topics in Photography (3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Term offered: fall, spring. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 1150 - Introduction to Darkroom Photography (3 Credits)**

Students learn traditional, film-based photographic practice. Topics such as camera functions, film processing, black and white darkroom printing, and alternative darkroom techniques are explored through demonstrations, critiques, readings, and discussions of historical and contemporary photography. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1400 - Two Dimensional Design (3 Credits)**

Focuses on the concepts and visual elements of all forms of two-dimensional art. Students gain an understanding of basic design principles as they analyze and visually articulate formal concerns in viewing contemporary and historical artworks as applied to studio problems. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1450 - Visual Culture: Ways of Seeing (3 Credits)**

A core course for majors and non-majors Visual Culture: Ways of Seeing explores how the meaning of imagery is encoded in cultural settings and transforms globally through changing technology and is integrated into daily life. Max hours: 3 Credits. GT: Course is approved by the Colorado Dept of Higher Education for statewide guaranteed transfer, GT-AH1.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Arts; GT courses GT Pathways, GT-AH1, Arts Hum: Arts Expression.

**FINE 1500 - Three-Dimensional Design (3 Credits)**

Students explore the elements of art and the principles of design applied to three-dimensional design while developing an understanding of material properties, techniques, processes and tools. Creative practice is accompanied by written, theoretical and verbal critical thinking skills. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1810 - Digital 3D Foundations (3 Credits)**

A lecture/lab course that explores the foundations of creating digital 3D content. Primary focus is an introduction to current 3D software. Class lectures, demonstrations and hands-on application will expose the student to the expectations for commercial high-end 3D animation production. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 1812 - 3D Computer Graphics: Producing Animation (3 Credits)**

An online course that explores the theory, practices and fundamentals of the producing 3D animation. Students will explore the foundations of the animation process Note: Offered through Extended Studies. Must provide sufficiently powered computer. See [www.cu3d.org](http://www.cu3d.org) Computer Graphics Certificate for details. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1820 - Animation Foundations (3 Credits)**

A lecture/lab course that explores the foundations of animation. Primary focus is an introduction to foundational animation techniques and methods. Class lectures, demonstrations and hands-on application will expose the student the expectations for high-end animation production. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 1822 - 3D Computer Graphics: Introduction to Digital 3D (3 Credits)**

An online course that explores the foundations of creating digital 3D content. Primary focus is an introduction to current 3D software. Note: Offered through Extended Studies. Must provide sufficiently powered computer. See [www.cu3d.org](http://www.cu3d.org) Computer Graphics Certificate for details. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 1825 - Game Characters and Concept Art (3 Credits)**

Students will learn to design characters and environments based on experimentations with color, proportion, texture, and expression that add depth and context to a story. Students will examine the history of character design and environment as applied to animation, children's books, and toys identifying how practical and cultural processes influence design. Term offered: fall, spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 2000 - Art Direction for Games (3 Credits)**

This project-centered studio-lecture course introduces the process of world building, game/interaction design from the standpoint of the game/virtual production art director. Each project addresses a milestone in art direction craftwork and demonstrates corresponding entry-level technical and conceptual skills and strategies. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 2001 - Costumes and Props for Games (3 Credits)**

This course will teach students how to create costumes, props, and set dressing for games. During this course students will explore various software tools and gaming engines to develop dynamic scenery, props, costumes, food, and makeup for game characters. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 2003 - Game Design Fundamentals (3 Credits)**

This course provides an in-depth exploration of analog and digital game design, emphasizing creativity, strategy, and game mechanics. Students will learn to conceptualize, prototype, and develop games. The course will focus on pen and paper design, including how to create, plan and implement game play design. Students will explore "fun" as a core component of game design and learn different lenses through which to see and assess game design. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 2020 - Drawing II (3 Credits)**

Students explore complex problems in the representation of space and learn observational drawing methods. Perceptual and constructed perspective is utilized to visualize three-dimensional form. Contemporary and historical artworks are studied with emphasis on the design of effective compositions. Prereq: FINE 1100. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1100

**FINE 2030 - Life Drawing (3 Credits)**

This course introduces the student to the human figure, addressing anatomy, movement and proportion. Discussion of historic and contemporary critical methods supplement studio practice. Exploring a variety of drawing media, students expand their drawing skills and relate the principles of composition and design to figure drawing. Prereq: FINE 1100. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1100

**FINE 2105 - PRE-DIGD – Human-Centered Design, Innovation and Prototyping (3 Credits)**

Introduces collaborative interdisciplinary design and innovation from a human perspective. Using the wide array of Inworks prototyping facilities, teams of students will design and implement human-oriented projects of increasing scale and complexity, in the process acquiring essential innovation and problem-solving skills. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2140 - Topics in Photography (3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Term offered: fall, spring. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 2155 - Introduction to Digital Photography (3 Credits)**

Students learn digital image manipulation, input and output strategies, and digital camera functions through assignments that emphasize conceptual development. Presentations, readings, projects and class discussions help students gain an understanding of the role of digital imaging in contemporary photography. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2200 - Painting I (3 Credits)**

This course is an introduction to the language of painting. Students will learn to develop composition in layers, working from value to color and from direct observation to abstraction while exploring the range of visual possibilities that painting offers. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2405 - Introduction to Digital Design (3 Credits)**

A project-based exploration of the design potentials of vector, raster and motion based digital media. Through project critiques, discussion and demonstration students will create projects that examine technology as an art medium and a design strategy. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2406 - Introduction to Digital Art & Imaging (3 Credits)**

A project-based exploration of vector, raster, and motion-based digital media. Through project critiques, discussion and demonstration students will create projects explore the creative and expressive potential of digital media. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2415 - Typography Studio (3 Credits)**

A studio course that teaches principles of typography and organization that is the foundation of design and artistic practice. Through drawing, editing, and moving typographic forms, students will create projects that examine how typography is used to create meaning. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2420 - The Language of Design : What Makes Design Work (3 Credits)**

Through lectures, readings and discussions students explore essential contemporary design movements and designers and their effects on design, visual culture and communication. In addition, students learn and practice critical thinking skills and have the opportunity to learn and practice design processes and problem solving techniques. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2425 - Essential Type-Design Applications (3 Credits)**

A studio devoted to learning the essential design-software needed to complete basic graphic design projects. Through lectures and creative projects students will learn how to create, manipulate, and prepare various types of art files for print or digital publishing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2428 - Introduction to Scientific Media Design (3 Credits)**

Through lectures, writings, readings, and discussions students will be introduced to Scientific Media Design as a profession as well as the history and emerging directions in the field. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 2500 - Beginning Foundry (3 Credits)**

Learn to produce metal castings. Bronze, aluminum and iron are cast into shapes by melting them into a liquid, pouring the metal into a mold, and removing the new solid form. Learn techniques understand equipment and explore form to create personal artwork using traditional and contemporary methods. Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500. Repeatable. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 2510 - Shaping Materials (3 Credits)**

Creative investigation and design are applied towards conceptual ideas while students advance skills in 3D printing, wood, metal, plastics, fibers, vacuum forming. Advancing relationships with materials and tools is the premise for the exploration of individual visual vocabularies. Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500. Repeatable. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 2600 - Art History Survey I (3 Credits)**

A lecture course studying Western and non-Western art from prehistory to medieval times, including major artists and periods. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, exams, and writing assignments, students demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the arts. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Humanities.

**FINE 2610 - Art History Survey II (3 Credits)**

A lecture course studying Western and non-Western art from the Renaissance to today, including major artists and periods. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, exams, and writing assignments, students demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the arts. Prerequisite applicable only for FINE-BA majors: FINE 2600. No prerequisite for all others. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BA and FINE 2600

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Humanities.

**FINE 2812 - 3D Computer Graphics: 3D Surface Modeling (3 Credits)**

An online course focused on mastery of creating surface models for digital 3D content. Students will develop skills/knowledge about the processes and techniques for building complex 3D objects. Note: Offered through Extended Studies. Must provide sufficiently powered computer.

See [www.cu3d.org](http://www.cu3d.org) Computer Graphics Certificate for details. Prereq:

FINE 1810 or 1812 and 1820 or 1822. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1810 or 1812 and 1820 or 1822

**FINE 2822 - Digital Cinematography (3 Credits)**

A lecture/lab course focuses on mastery of digital cinematography and visual storytelling. This course translates key production techniques: composition, camera craft, depth of field, camera blocking, and more, into the 3D world. This unique approach bridges the gap between traditional live-action cinematography and cutting-edge 3D animation, giving the students skills/knowledge about cinematic theory, practices and methods, as applied to digital 3D content creation. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 2832 - 3D Computer Graphics: 3D Lighting and Rendering (3 Credits)**

An online course focused on mastery of lighting the digital 3D environment. Students will develop skills/knowledge about the processes and techniques for creating realistic 3D lighting. Note: Offered through Extended Studies. Must provide sufficiently powered computer. See

[www.cu3d.org](http://www.cu3d.org) Computer Graphics Certificate for details. Prereq:

FINE 2812 and 2822. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 2812 and 2822

**FINE 2852 - 3D Computer Graphics: 3D Character Creation (3 Credits)**  
An online course focused on mastery of skills for creating digital 3D characters. Students will develop skills/knowledge to create digital characters. Note: Offered through Extended Studies. Must provide sufficiently powered computer. See [www.cu3d.org](http://www.cu3d.org) Computer Graphics Certificate for details. Prereq: FINE 2812 and 2822. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: FINE 2812 and 2822

**FINE 2995 - Travel Study (1-15 Credits)**  
Created for students doing travel study in a foreign country. Students register through the Office of International Education. Repeatable. Max Hours: 15 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 15.

**FINE 3010 - Illustration I: Image Making (3 Credits)**  
In a demonstration of expressive media, students develop their own point-of-view and style. Students work in a variety of media while learning historic and contemporary trends in illustration. Prereq: FINE 1100. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: FINE 1100

**FINE 3014 - The Graphic Novel Workshop (3 Credits)**  
This course introduces students to the visual language of the graphic novel through the creation of sequential imagery and page development. Students will delve into the pictorial methods found in both historical and contemporary comic books, Manga and alternative cartooning. Prereq: FINE 1100; Prereq: FINE-BFA ILS: FINE 2030. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: FINE 1100; Prereq: FINE-BFA ILS: FINE 2030

**FINE 3016 - Topics in Illustration (3 Credits)**  
Specialized topics are offered in illustration technologies and techniques, theories, processes, and conceptual thinking. Course subjects are unique and change from semester to semester. Restriction: Restricted to students with sophomore standing or higher. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.  
Restriction: Restricted to students with sophomore standing or higher.  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3030 - Media of Drawing (3 Credits)**  
Students apply traditional and mixed media skills, experimental printmaking, photography, and sculptural space to explore drawing. This course considers drawing as an active medium that can take on multiple dimensions where students create works that experiment with all aspects of the drawn mark and its translations. Prereq: FINE 1100 and FINE 1500. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: FINE 1100 and FINE 1500.  
Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3040 - Color Theory: Studio and Screen-Based Practice (3 Credits)**  
This hybrid course delves into how color is essential to traditional studio-based and digital media artists through focusing on visual color and light perception, color mixing with pigment and digital applications, and the interaction of color. Prereq: Requires prerequisite course of FINE 1100 (minimum grade D-). Max Hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Requires prerequisite course of FINE 1100 (minimum grade D-).

**FINE 3050 - Figure Drawing and Painting (3 Credits)**  
This course is an exploration of representing the human form in pictorial space through drawing and painting. Students will explore figural space, color, proportion and scale, and will understand the conceptual and visual weight carried by expressive gesture, figural form and compositional narrative. Prereq: For FINE-BFA PND students, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 1100, FINE 1400, FINE 1500, FINE 2155, FINE 2600, and FINE 2610 (all minimum grade D-). For all other students, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 1100 and FINE 2200 (all minimum grade D-).  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
FINE-BFA PND students, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 1100, FINE 1400, FINE 1500, FINE 2155, FINE 2600, and FINE 2610 (all minimum grade D-). For all other students, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 1100 and FINE 2200 (all minimum grade D-).  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3115 - Mixed Media and Photography (3 Credits)**  
Students create artwork using techniques that combine photography and mixed media. Topics include expanding the photograph to a 3-dimensional form, working with light-sensitive materials, and manipulating the print surface. Students develop creative concepts that are enhanced by cross-disciplinary methods. Prereq: FINE 2155. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: FINE 2155

**FINE 3130 - Photography, Optics and Perspectives in Italy (3 Credits)**  
In this study abroad seminar course, students develop an understanding of their work within the context of the history of art and photography, particularly the artistic and scientific breakthroughs of the Renaissance, by exposing them to strategies and theories exemplified by the remarkably diverse and historically significant artwork that is available in collections in Florence, Italy. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.  
Typically Offered: Summer.

**FINE 3135 - Historic Photographic Processes in Italy (3 Credits)**  
In this study abroad studio course, students investigate the relationship between critical concepts and historic photographic processes in the unique cultural and artistic setting of Florence, Italy. Students shoot on location using a variety of techniques that connect contemporary photography to the history of the medium. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3156 - Photography Studio and Lighting (3 Credits)**  
Students learn digital lighting techniques that inform the conceptual and aesthetic qualities of their photographs. Topics covered include digital editing, studio practice, location photography, commercial business practices, shooting and lighting techniques, video for photographers, and professional presentation. Prereq: For FINE-BFA PHO, FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600. Prereq: FINE 2155. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600 Prereq: FINE 2155  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3160 - Color and the Constructed Image (3 Credits)**

Students explore analog color photography, concept development, and expressive uses of the medium. Topics include color film development, chromogenic printing, and color theory in assignments that emphasize staged and constructed imagery. Students learn about the creative impact of color on photographic representation. Prereq: For FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600. Prereq: FINE 1150. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600 Prereq: FINE 1150

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3161 - The Silver Fine Print (3 Credits)**

Students learn advanced black and white film development and darkroom practices while translating ideas into photographic form. Techniques include the zone system, medium and large format photography, split filter printing, toning, montage printing, and film/paper choices. Students gain insight into photographic artists, techniques, and movements.

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600. Prereq: FINE 1150. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600. Prereq: FINE 1150

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3162 - The Digital Fine Print (3 Credits)**

Students learn the fine art of digital printing as it relates to photographic practice. Assignments focus on conceptual development, advanced image manipulation, editing, workflow, color management, presentation techniques, and digital inkjet printing. Students gain insight into the role of digital imaging in contemporary culture. Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600. Prereq: FINE 2155. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 1100, FINE 1150, FINE 1400, FINE 2155, FINE 2600 Prereq: FINE 2155

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3171 - Experimental Photography (3 Credits)**

Students develop creative approaches to experimental photographic techniques. Processes incorporate alternative uses of light-sensitive materials, experimental darkroom practice, historic non-silver techniques, and digital/traditional cross-manipulation. Students gain insights into the relationship between concepts and non-traditional strategies for creating images. Spring only. Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3161. Prereq: FINE 1150. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3161. Prereq: FINE 1150.

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3172 - Documentary Photography (3 Credits)**

Students learn strategies for creating visual narratives through photographic projects that are informed by the documentary tradition. Assignments incorporate editing, sequencing, digital printing, video, text, and photographic books. Students use the camera to engage with the world around them while exploring social, political, and ethical issues within their communities. Spring only. Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3161, FINE 3162. Prereq: FINE 2155. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3162. Prereq: FINE 2155.

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3200 - Intermediate Painting and Drawing (3 Credits)**

In this course students develop a body of work that expands on previous course work, to make the transition from assignment-based work to an independent body of work, and to prepare for advanced level study in painting and drawing. Prereq: FINE 2200. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 2200

**FINE 3240 - Abstract Painting and Drawing (3 Credits)**

This course explores the methods of abstraction as applied to painting and drawing. Through developing a body of paintings and drawings, students will gain an understanding of complex formal structures in the development of their work. Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 2200. Prereq FINE-BFA PND: FINE 1100, FINE 1400, FINE 1500, FINE 2155, FINE 2200, FINE 2600, FINE 2610. Prereq PNDW-MIN: FINE 2200. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 2200 Prereq FINE-BFA PND: FINE 1100, FINE 1400, FINE 1500, FINE 2155, FINE 2200, FINE 2600, FINE 2610

Prereq PNDW-MIN: FINE 2200

**FINE 3300 - Painting, Drawing and the Printed Image (3 Credits)**

This course explores the role of technology in the history of painting/drawing alongside studio practice. Students produce works that explore personal symbolism through the combination of graphically printed and hand-produce marks while utilizing technology as a tool in painting/drawing. Prereq: FINE 1100. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1100

**FINE 3320 - Topics in Digital Design (3 Credits)**

Specialized topics are offered in new design technologies, theories, processes, and conceptual thinking. Course subjects are unique and change from semester to semester. Restriction: Restricted to students with sophomore standing or higher. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Restriction: Sophomore standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3340 - Topics in Studio Art (3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3342 - Topics in Studio Art (3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Term offered: fall, spring. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3343 - Topics in Studio Art (1-3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

**FINE 3400 - Designing for Web and Mobile Apps (3 Credits)**

In a design laboratory, students learn how to design for the web and mobile devices. Through lectures, writings, readings, discussion and critiques, students will learn about HTML, CSS, CMS, web hosting, analytics and the principles of UX/UI. Restriction: Restricted to sophomore standing or above. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Sophomore standing or higher.

**FINE 3404 - Typography II (3 Credits)**

A design laboratory that teaches advanced principles of typography including multiple page documents and complex typographic systems for print and screen. Students will create complex design projects that explore the relationship between type and image. Prereq: FINE 2415. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 2415

**FINE 3405 - Video and Performance Art (3 Credits)**

This course explores video, sound, projection and performance in contemporary visual art. Bridges between the digital laboratory, sculpture studio and live performative action are created in context. Note: class may not be taken by Digital Design or Transmedia majors for credit toward degree. Prereq: For FINE-BFA APC students, requires prerequisite course of FINE 2155 (minimum grade D-). For all other students, requires prerequisite course of FINE 1500 (minimum grade D-). Term offered: Fall, Spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

For FINE-BFA APC students, requires prerequisite course of FINE 2155 (minimum grade D-). For all other students, requires prerequisite course of FINE 1500 (minimum grade D-).

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3410 - Illustration II: Digital Media (3 Credits)**

Students consider the diverse perspectives of clients, viewers, and context while developing concept art and imaginative illustrations. Digital workflows, visual research, and an iterative process are emphasized.

Prereq: FINE 3010. Restriction: FINE-BFA ILS or FINE-BFA APC. Max

Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3010. Restriction: FINE-BFA ILS or FINE-BFA APC

**FINE 3414 - Motion Design I (3 Credits)**

A course devoted to understanding time based imagery that focuses on utilizing video and motion graphics as a creative communication tool. Students create projects that explore topics using video, animation, time and motion using a non-linear digital editing software. Restriction: Restricted to students with sophomore standing or higher OR FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to students with sophomore standing or higher OR FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3415 - Design Studio I (3 Credits)**

In a design laboratory students learn to turn ideas into visual solutions through the application of design principles. Through lectures, writings, readings, discussion and critiques of projects assigned students will build visual literacy in relation to digital design. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restrictions: Restricted to FINE-BFA majors with sub-plan of DIG or DIGD minors within the College of Arts and Media.

**FINE 3417 - Design Research (3 Credits)**

This seminar class examines methods and processes used by designers to better understand the content they are asked to communicate while addressing increasingly complex social, technological and economic problems. Class topics will include: user interface and experience design, demographics, storyboarding, branding, and concept mapping. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restrictions: Restricted to FINE-BFA majors with sub-plan of DIG or DIGD minors within the College of Arts and Media.

**FINE 3420 - Printing Preparation and Process (3 Credits)**

Through print shop visits, creating, manipulating, and preparing various types of art files for print or digital publishing, students will explore the history, various processes, and file preparation that are essential to producing final designed products. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 3424 - Interactive Media (3 Credits)**

A foundational interactive design workshop exploring how to convey message and deliver information. Through critiques of projects, discussion and research, students will learn principles of user interface design, aesthetics and structure including their potential cultural impact.

Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN. Prereq: FINE 3414 and FINE 3415. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3414 and FINE 3415. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN.

**FINE 3434 - 3D Motion Design (3 Credits)**

A course devoted to 3D as a medium for creating works of art. Through demonstration, discussion, readings and project based explorations, students will learn to navigate and create in the 3D digital environment.

Restrictions: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD MIN. Prereq: FINE 3444, 3464. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3444, 3464 Restrictions: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD MIN

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3444 - Interactive Media II (3 Credits)**

An intermediate interactive design workshop devoted to using interactive design to solve communication and information problems at scale.

Through investigations, readings and discussions students will create projects that explore user experience design, accessibility, and advanced research techniques. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Prereq:

FINE 3424, 3454. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3424, 3454 Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3450 - Digital Painting (3 Credits)**

Digital Painting is a studio designed for student exploration of artistic expression using digital tools for traditional painting and illustration techniques. Prereq: FINE 1100. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1100

**FINE 3454 - Motion Design II (3 Credits)**

An intense course devoted to using time and motion as a medium for communicating ideas and information. Through creative investigations, readings and discussions students explore linkages between non-linear editing, animation and 3-dimensional animation as used in motion graphics. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Prereq: FINE 3414 and FINE 3415. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3414, 3415. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG.

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3455 - Intro to 2D and Traditional Animation (3 Credits)**

This course introduces the fundamental principles of 2D and traditional animation and is devoted to learning and understanding 2D and traditional animation techniques and tools. The course focuses on learning the basics of animation, including timing, spacing, and character movement. The course will also cover the history and evolution of animation, as well as the tools and techniques used to create 2D and traditional animation. This course will teach you how to create animations using storyboards, flip books, stop motion, onion skin, and other hand drawn animation techniques. Restriction: Restricted to undergraduate students with sophomore standing or higher. Term offered: fall, spring, summer. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to undergraduate students with sophomore standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3456 - Advanced 2D and Traditional Animation (3 Credits)**

This course builds upon the principles and techniques learned in the introductory course and expands on them to provide a deeper understanding of 2D and traditional animation. Students will learn advanced animation techniques, including character acting, lip-syncing, and special effects. The course will also cover animation for different mediums, including television, film, and video games. Prereq: FINE 3455. Term offered: fall, spring, summer. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3455

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 3464 - Design Studio II (3 Credits)**

In a studio environment students will develop advanced projects using animation, interactivity and motion graphics to create innovative solutions to design problems. Students will learn to apply design theory to practice through discussion, critiques and assigned projects. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Prereq: FINE 3424, 3454. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3424, 3454 Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3474 - Virtual Production and Experience (3 Credits)**

A course focused on interactive and emerging applications for creating immersive experiences, with a focus on designing VR and in-person experiences using well-known applications, related technologies, methods, and fields including gaming, experience design, virtual painting, augmented reality, museum/interactive installation. Restriction: Sophomore standing or higher. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Sophomore standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3500 - Immersive Installation Art (3 Credits)**

Students learn to modify the way a particular space is experienced by the viewer through material use and experimental intervention in everyday public or private spaces. Prereq: Requires prerequisite course of FINE 1500.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE 1500

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3505 - Environmental Art (3 Credits)**

Students create site-specific work to exist in a certain place or describe a specific location. This involves temporary outdoor landscaping combined with sited sculptural elements and gallery exhibition. The formal, political, historical, public, ecological, geographical and social context of the urban/rural environment will be explored. Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500. Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500

**FINE 3510 - Form and Play (3 Credits)**

3D printing, mold making, and soft sculpture using rubber, resins, alginate and plaster to cast and build in metal, resin, glass, synthetics, concrete, plastic, paper and biodegradable materials. Exploration of multiples, life size and small-scale forms with personal imagery. Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3515 - Public and Environmental Art (3 Credits)**

The formal, political, historical, public, ecological, geographical and social context of the urban/rural environment will be explored through site-specific works, temporal and permanent. Students connect with professional artists in the field and develop skills in public relations, installation techniques, curation and public art administration. Prereq: Requires prerequisite course of FINE 1500. Term offered: Fall, Spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE 1500

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3520 - Sculpture: Contemporary Artists and Concepts (3 Credits)**

Provides the art student (sculpture majors and non-majors) with a focused opportunity to look at contemporary sculpture, installation and performance art, and to examine the philosophical issues, processes, and methods, motivating practicing artists today. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 3525 - Prototyping Sculpture (3 Credits)**

This course will focus on contemporary professional practices and will cover topics such as project planning, an introduction to computer-aided design, fabrication, and digital outsourcing for the production of sculptural works. Prereq: FINE 1500. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE 1500

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3530 - Electronic Art (3 Credits)**

Video, sound and projection in contemporary sculpture. Introduction to sensors and motors and data visualization. A bridge between the digital laboratory and the sculpture studio in the context of object making, gallery and networked media. Prereq FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500, FINE 3405. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500, FINE 3405

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3532 - Character and Product Prototyping (3 Credits)**

Students work to explore the process of creating experimental versions of character and product designs, which can be utilized as models to visualize and create a larger sculpture, product or character for inclusion in personal and commercial art. Students work in wide ranging media and a variety of approaches to conceptualize personal 2D, 3D and 4D imagery.

Term offered: Fall. Max hours: 3 Hours.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3545 - Intermediate Sculpture (3 Credits)**

Investigations using three-dimensional studio practice and technology assist students to generate a comprehensive series of works. Competent technical skills and conceptual ideology are melded as students realize their personal creative research in visual form. Prereq: Requires prerequisite course of FINE 2510 (minimum grade D-). Term offered: Fall, Spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Requires prerequisite course of FINE 2510 (minimum grade D-).

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3550 - Iron Casting (3 Credits)**

Students learn traditional and innovative mold making techniques for casting iron. Casting techniques include working with found objects, lost wax, ceramic shell and sand molds. Furnace design and equipment fabrication are researched. Public performance is integral to the class.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500

**FINE 3555 - Concepts in Sculpture (3 Credits)**

This course addresses varying topics and trends in sculpture. Students produce work focused on issues in the professional field and develop their voice as an artist through thematic exploration. Course content rotates each semester to cover the dynamics of the field. Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500. Repeatable. Max hours: 12 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 12.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500

**FINE 3556 - Concepts in Studio Art (3 Credits)**

This course addresses topics and trends in studio art. Students produce work focused on issues in the professional field and develop their voice as an artist through thematic exploration. Course content adapts to cover the dynamics of the field. Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 1500 and FINE 2200. Repeatable. Max hours: 12 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 12.

Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 1500 and FINE 2200.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3557 - Concepts in Illustration (3 Credits)**

This course addresses varying topics and trends in illustration. Students produce work exploring contemporary issues in the professional realm and develop their distinctive illustrative voice through multiple media. Course content rotates each semester to cover the dynamics of the field. Prereq: FINE 2010. Repeatable. Max Hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Prereq: FINE 2010

**FINE 3630 - History of Photography (3 Credits)**

Students examine the history of photography from its origins to the present. Emphasis is placed on photography as an artistic medium. Topics covered include important movements, photographers, and technical innovations, as well as photographer's broader role in visual culture. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 3631 - Photography: Theory and Criticism (3 Credits)**

Students investigate the historical texts of photographic criticism. Readings relate to photography as a fine art form, concentrating on 1970 to the present. Through discussions, readings and critical writing, students examine and appreciate the significance of photographic theory. Spring only. Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3630. Restriction: All other students must be at sophomore-, junior-, or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3630. Restriction: All other students must be at sophomore-, junior-, or senior-level standing.

**FINE 3635 - Photography Now (3 Credits)**

Students investigate trends in fine art photography from 1990 through the present. By examining current topics, styles, and techniques students gain insights into contemporary photographic practice and its relationship to the history and future of the medium. Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3630. Restriction: All other students must be at sophomore-, junior-, or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3630. Restriction: All other students must be at sophomore-, junior-, or senior-level standing.

**FINE 3636 - Through the Lens: Photography and Diversity (3 Credits)**

Students examine social issues relating to non-dominant cultures, minority groups, biases, and privileges through the lens of photographic imagery. Lectures, discussions, and assignments offer insights into the ways that photography both reflects and impacts attitudes about cultural diversity in the United States. Restriction: Restricted to students with Junior standing or higher. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, Cultural Diversity.

**FINE 3640 - Topics in Art History I: Art Before Modernism (1-3 Credits)**

Variable: Art History lecture course pertaining to art before Modernism. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.

Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 3644 - Topics in Art History II: Modern and Contemporary (1-3 Credits)**

Variable: Art History lecture course pertaining to art since Modernism.  
Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.  
Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 3775 - Asian Art After 1850 (3 Credits)**

A lecture-based course about developments in art and architecture of China, Japan, and Korea after 1850. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.  
Additional Information: Denver Core Requirement, International Perspectives.

**FINE 3806 - Advanced Character Animation II (3 Credits)**

This studio course is focused on building upon the solid animation foundation created in the DACD 3830 Advanced Character Animation class, and developing additional nuanced character animation techniques. Using composition and screen design principles we will strengthen the student's professional image-making and visual storytelling toolkit; with an emphasis on artistic excellence through applications of current 3D technologies. Live-action references will be used to bring believability to the coursework. Prereq: DACD 3830. Restriction: Restricted to DACD majors (FINE-BFA ANI). Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: DACD 3830. Restriction: Restricted to DACD majors (FINE-BFA ANI).  
Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 3807 - Advanced Creature and Quadruped Animation (3 Credits)**

This studio course is focused on the foundation creature animation skills practiced in most VFX houses today. Students will explore the process and techniques of keyframe and pose-to-pose animation. Considerations include character performance, behaviors, physical constraints, and motion through space with an emphasis on artistic excellence through applications of current 3D technologies. The focus being believability and nuance learned by careful study of live-action footage. Term offered: fall, spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3808 - Live Action Compositing (3 Credits)**

A studio course focused on the art and science of node-based digital compositing for live-action film and video. Students will develop skills/knowledge about the processes involved in combining, altering and enhancing live action footage using industry standard tools and techniques. Term offered: fall, spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 3814 - Digital 3D Methods: Motion Graphics for Animators (3 Credits)**

An online course is an introduction to Motion Graphics, devoted to understanding time based imagery that focuses on utilizing video, typography and 3D content as a creative communication tool. Students will create projects that explore video, animation, time and motion. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 3840 - Exploring Storyboarding- Foundational Techniques and Approaches (3 Credits)**

Exploring Storyboarding will help you fall in love with making cinema. This course is a foundation to the art and craft of visual storytelling. This course teaches the language film, and techniques for illustrating action, composition, character, and drama.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 3841 - Creating Visual Story - Narrative Techniques and Visual Design (3 Credits)**

This course explores narrative methods used in animation, film, and connects film theory to visual storytelling. This course empowers you to engage with story process, and understand film theory as an interesting, integral, part of the visual storytelling creative process. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 3842 - Storyboarding for Cinema and Game Previsualization (3 Credits)**

A lecture/lab course covering the foundations of the cinematic storyboarding process/techniques used for previsualization in the film, entertainment design and game industries. Students will develop skills/knowledge for creating storyboards study and understand film theory, storytelling, film language and grammar, and filmic composition. Prereq: FINE 3841 or Junior standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3841 or Junior standing

**FINE 3845 - DAC: Preproduction for Story (3 Credits)**

A seminar course focused on the story development/preproduction phases for the DAC senior thesis short. The principle focus of the course will be story development, preproduction activities and organizing the production team and production pipeline for the thesis short. Prereq: DACD 2830 or DACD 2850, Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: DACD 2830 or DACD 2850, Acceptance into DAC.

**FINE 3850 - DAC: Dynamic Simulation (3 Credits)**

A lecture/lab course exploring the theory/techniques of dynamic and particle simulations for 3D content. Students explore how to develop effects (smoke, fire, steam, explosions) and dynamic materials (cloth), with an emphasis on artistic excellence through application of current 3D technologies. Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

Acceptance into DAC. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

**FINE 3855 - Introduction to Unreal Engine (3 Credits)**

Students will learn how to utilize and navigate Unreal Engine to produce interactive stories and immersive environments in a lecture-lab classroom. Students will build virtual worlds that use lighting, surface design, environments, and interactions to tell stories highlighting personal experiences and socially conscious narratives in a virtual production environment. Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 3939 - Internship (1-3 Credits)**

Designed experiences involving application of specific, relevant concepts and skills in supervised employment situations. Repeatable. Max Hours: 12 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 12.

**FINE 3995 - Travel Study (1-15 Credits)**

Created for students doing travel study in a foreign country. Students register through the Office of International Education. Repeatable. Max Hours: 15 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 15.

**FINE 4000 - The Business of Art (3 Credits)**

Through research, discussion and projects, students learn marketing, copyright and business practices necessary for a career as an illustrator or artist. Students will develop professional materials, identify potential markets and implement a plan to promote their work. Restriction: FINE-BFA or FINE-BA and junior or senior class standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BFA DRW: FINE 3220, 3230, and 3310

**FINE 4001 - Illustration III: Investigative Methods (3 Credits)**

Students will learn to use writing, research methods, and market analysis to develop original and unique approaches to illustration. Projects will explore how media choices and production processes impact potential markets and responses from the public. Prereq: FINE 3410. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA ILS majors within the College of Arts & Media. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3410. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA ILS majors within the College of Arts Media.

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 4002 - Illustration IV: Thesis Development (3 Credits)**

Students will examine historical and contemporary trends in illustration while developing a research topic and writing a thesis paper. Students will produce new work and illicit responses from faculty and outside industry mentors as they begin to prepare a professional illustration portfolio.

Prereq: FINE 4001. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA ILS majors within the College of Arts and Media. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 4001. Restriction: FINE-BFA ILS

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4003 - Illustration BFA Thesis (3 Credits)**

Students will present their thesis project proposal, create original illustrations for their BFA Thesis exhibition and develop a professional illustration portfolio. Students will be expected to document their process and implement a promotional plan in order to build an audience for their work. Prereq: FINE 4002. Restriction: FINE-BFA ILS. Repeatable. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE 4002. Restriction: FINE-BFA ILS

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 4016 - Topics in Illustration (3 Credits)**

Specialized topics are offered in Illustration technologies and techniques, theories, processes, and conceptual thinking. Course subjects are unique and change from semester to semester. Restriction: Restricted to students with junior level standing or higher. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 4020 - Anatomy for the Artist (3 Credits)**

An intensive study of the human figure, focusing on its structure, movement and proportions. Skeletal and muscular systems are explored in depth using the classic texts of artistic anatomy to enhance students' drawings from observation. Prereq: FINE 2030. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 2030

**FINE 4050 - Design in a Global Workplace (3 Credits)**

Through intensive participatory workshops, study tours, and lectures this class examines the advantages of interdisciplinary community-based collaboration. This class also examines the complexities of cross discipline collaborations including multiple professional agendas, political and business establishments and the needs of the community.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Summer.

**FINE 4140 - Topics in Photography (1-3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

**FINE 4195 - Photography Portfolio I (3 Credits)**

Students create an independent body of photographic work that integrates sophisticated concepts with technical mastery. Through critiques, presentations and discussions, students relate subject matter to historical and contemporary context. Students build expertise in the area of professional development in photography. Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3156, 3160, 3171, 3172, and 3630. Prereq: FINE 3161, 3162, 3171.

Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Prereq: FINE-BFA PHO: FINE 3156, 3160, 3171, 3172, and 3630. Prereq: FINE 3161, 3162, 3171

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4196 - Photography Portfolio II (3 Credits)**

Students create an independent body of photographic work that integrates sophisticated concepts with technical mastery. Through critiques, presentations and discussions, students relate subject matter to historical and contemporary context. Students build expertise in the area of professional development in photography. Prereq: FINE 4195.

Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Prereq: FINE 4195.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4215 - Interdisciplinary Studio (3 Credits)**

This is the first level of advanced studies in art practices where students create a body of work that expresses a more complex individual vision.

Students learn to develop their creative work with self-selected materials and processes in support of focused concepts. Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 1500, and FINE 2200. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 1500 and FINE 2200.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4225 - Advanced Painting and Drawing (3 Credits)**

This course involves advanced studies in painting/drawing where students create a body of work that expresses a more complex individual vision. Students learn to develop their artistic practice with self-directed processes in support of focused concepts and develop professional practices in painting and drawing. Prereq: Requires prerequisite course of FINE 3200.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3200.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4340 - Topics in Studio Art (3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Term offered: fall, spring, summer. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 4350 - Topics in Digital Design (3 Credits)**

Specialized topics are offered in new design technologies, theories, processes and conceptual thinking. Course subjects are unique and changing semester to semester. Restriction: Restricted to students with junior standing or higher or with special permission. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 4400 - Design Studio III (3 Credits)**

Set up as a collaborative studio, students learn to identify problems in the cultural and urban environment and design solutions that address those problems. Through discovery and research students will learn how design can be a catalyst for change. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN or FINE-BFA 3D ANI or SCOM. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG or DIGD-MIN or FINE-BFA 3D ANI or SCOM.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4411 - Immersive Storytelling I (3 Credits)**

This theory/research-oriented course teaches students in media and technical fields how to tell stories interactively using 360-degree video and computer-generated scenes that subjects experience through leading virtual reality headsets. We will touch on creating content for larger format immersive experiences. Restriction: Sophomore standing or higher. Max Hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Sophomore standing or higher.

**FINE 4420 - Interactive Media III (3 Credits)**

An advanced interactive design workshop where students will use current industry tools to explore a range of topics such as emerging technologies, design interactive prototypes, and experiential design.

Through prototyping, discussion, readings, and critiques, students will create unique projects that explore contemporary and futurist topics.

Prereq: FINE 3444. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3444. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG.

**FINE 4421 - Virtual Art Direction (3 Credits)**

A course that examines the role of the art director in virtual production, including motion pictures, television and game design. This course focuses on the process of world building, and interaction design from the standpoint of the virtual production art director. Students will work on projects that give them hands on experience in virtual art direction for entertainment productions. Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Restriction: Restricted to Junior standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4422 - E-Commerce Web Design (3 Credits)**

This course provides an overview of the concepts and principles of e-commerce website design and selling your products online. The content is geared toward design students who would like to build web stores for clients or yourself. By the end of the course, students will be able to create and manage their own online store. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4425 - Motion III (3 Credits)**

An intense workshop-laboratory devoted to advanced motion design techniques. Through creative investigation, the study of motion theory and hierarchy, compositing, filming techniques, broadcast parameters, aesthetics, typography and technical issues students will develop the in-depth knowledge necessary to excel as design professionals. Prereq: FINE 3454. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3454. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG.

**FINE 4434 - Virtual Landscapes (3 Credits)**

In a studio environment students will explore place in relation to contemporary digital art practice. Through readings, lectures and production of projects assigned, students will create work that addresses the natural, urban and virtual environment. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-DIG: FINE 3414, 3415, 3424 or FINE-BFA SMD: FINE 3414, 3415, and 3424 or FINE-BFA TRM: FINE 3434 and 3438

**FINE 4435 - Nudge: Behavioral Design 1 (3 Credits)**

A studio course where students learn to develop 'nudge' solutions through the use of behavioral methods and theories. A 'nudge' is an attempt to influence people's choices and behavior in a predictable way without limiting their options or significantly changing incentives. Through field trips and observation, students will gain knowledge and skills in the field of behavioral design, including dual cognitive processing, choice architecture, behavioral mapping, and cognitive biases. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 4446 - Visualization & Infographics (3 Credits)**

In our data and information-rich society, visual representations of data can be useful for making sense of available information and fostering understanding. This course engages students in critique existing work and encourages a thoughtful design process toward creation of information graphics and simple data/information visualizations.

Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Prereq: FINE 3015/1015 or FINE-BFA DIG and FINE 3444 or FINE-BFA SMD and FINE 2030, 3444, BIOL 2061 and BIOL 2081 or FINE-BFA ANI: FINE 1820, 2810, and 2830

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4447 - Presenting Science (3 Credits)**

Sophisticated graphical components can help a viewing audience understand complex scientific information more clearly. This project-based learning course engages students in creation of thoughtful graphic explanations of science for the purpose of enhancing scientific presentations and audience comprehension. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

**FINE 4448 - BioMedical 3D Animation (3 Credits)**

3D Animation can be a powerful tool for telling stories rooted in science and medicine. This course provides opportunity to learn from existing animated works while honing skills in storyboarding, narrative and 3D animation with focus on biology, science, and health education. SMD students explore and research BFA thesis topics. Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Prereq: FINE-BFA SMD + FINE 3434, 4020 and 4446 Prereq: FINE-BFA DIG + FINE 3434 and 3444

**FINE 4450 - Social Engagement by Design (3 Credits)**

Through lectures, discussions and conducting onsite research in international settings, students will become familiar with professional practitioners' Perspectives and experiences in the field of socially engaged design while interrogating current practices, policies, and expectations that inform community engagement and by Design.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Typically Offered: Summer.

**FINE 4480 - Design Thesis Research (3 Credits)**

Through lectures, studio visits and research, students will engage the profession and examine the role of the artist as a designer. Projects will focus on resumes, interview techniques, portfolio and business practices to prepare students for entering the design profession. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Prereq: FINE 3464. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 3464 Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4495 - Design Thesis Project (3 Credits)**

Through critique, research, and writing students will critically explore a thesis topic and develop professional quality visual solutions. Students will create work that expresses their personal artistic vision in relation to significant contemporary and historical artists and practice. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG. Prereq: FINE 4480. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 4480 Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BFA DIG

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 4505 - Sculptural Drawing (3 Credits)**

Students apply traditional and mixed media drawing skills, photography and digital reproduction to depict the sculptural object in two and three-dimensional space. Students learn to construct small-scale models and develop sculpture proposals. Drawing as sculpture medium is explored.

FINE BFA APC: FINE 1500. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

Prereq: FINE-BFA APC: FINE 1500.

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 4515 - Advanced Art Practices (3 Credits)**

Students in this course develop a body of work that expresses complex individual vision across media. Students learn to develop their artistic practice with self-directed processes in support of focused concepts in multiple studio areas. Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 1500, FINE 2200. Coreq: FINE 4950 (BFA Art Practices students only). Restriction: Restricted to undergraduate students with sophomore standing or higher. Repeatable.

Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Prereq: FINE 1100, FINE 1500, FINE 2200. Coreq: FINE 4950 (BFA Art Practices students only). Restriction: Restricted to undergraduate students with sophomore standing or higher.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4522 - Interdisciplinary Art in Ireland (6 Credits)**

The interdisciplinary course introduces students to the methods and concepts of contemporary site-specific art as critical theory through lecture and critique and as practice in the rural/urban landscape and studio along Ireland's County Clare coastline in the Burren region. Max hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Additional Information: Global Education Study Abroad.

**FINE 4523 - Topics in Art History I: Art Before Modernism (1-3 Credits)**

Variable: Art History lecture course pertaining to art before Modernism. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

Repeatable. Max Hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.

Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4524 - Topics in Art History II: Modern and Contemporary Art (1-3 Credits)**

Variable: Art History lecture course pertaining to art since Modernism.  
Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.  
Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4525 - Museum Studies (3 Credits)**

A seminar about museums and art galleries as institutions for the preservation and exhibition of cultural materials. Through writing assignments, discussions, site visits, and analysis, students will demonstrate knowledge and critical thinking on the display of art.  
Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.  
Repeatable. Max hours: 6 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4530 - Advanced Sculpture (3 Credits)**

Individual decision-making is stressed in developing a strong body of work that builds on past creative research. Competent technical skills and conceptual ideology are expanded to achieve complete visual experiences. Establish off campus professional connections. Prereq: Requires prerequisite course of FINE 3545 (minimum grade D-). Term offered: Fall, Spring. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Requires prerequisite course of FINE 3545 (minimum grade D-).  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4600 - History of Modern Design:Industrial Revolution-Present (3 Credits)**

A lecture course involving the history of design from the Industrial Revolution to the present. The course will address the graphic design, typography, architecture, "Decorative arts", and new media from each period/major design movement in that time frame. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4610 - Pre-Columbian Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on the art and architecture of Mesoamerica and the Andes before the Spanish conquest. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams, and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Cross-listed with FINE 5610. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4620 - American Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on the art of the United States from colonial times to World War II. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4630 - History of Latin American Art:1520-1820 (3 Credits)**

A lecture course studying Latin American art of 1520-1820, including major artists and periods. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, exams, and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the arts. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Cross-listed with FINE 5630. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4670 - Greek and Roman Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on art and architecture from ancient Greece and Rome. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4680 - Art of the Medieval Multiverse (3 Credits)**

A lecture course critically examining the art and architecture of an expansively defined medieval world across themes including geographies and peoples, materials, identities and medievalisms. Through close engagement with artworks and texts, students will gain new perspectives on the diversity of medieval art. Prereq: Visual Arts majors: FINE 2600 (Art History Survey I) and FINE 2610 (Art History Survey II) or permission of the instructor. All other students must be of junior or senior standing or have the permission of the instructor. Cross-listed with FINE 5680. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq: Visual Arts majors: FINE 2600 FINE 2610 or permission of the instructor; all other students must be of junior or senior standing or have the permission of the instructor.  
Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4700 - Italian Renaissance Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course about developments in Italian Renaissance art and architecture. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.  
Grading Basis: Letter Grade  
Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.  
Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4705 - Northern Renaissance Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course about developments in Northern Renaissance art and architecture. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4710 - Baroque and Rococo Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on Italy, Spain, France, England, and the Netherlands during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4712 - Applied Digital Media (1-3 Credits)**

This lab course provides students with the opportunity to execute practical applications in the use of digital 3D media for commercial and/or non-profit venue. Repeatable. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 3.

**FINE 4715 - Islamic Art and Architecture (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on art and architecture of the Islamic world from the emergence of Islam in the 7th century to c. 1850. Students will engage in visual and contextual analyses, object-based research, and vocabulary acquisition. Prereq: Visual Arts Majors (FINE-BFA) - FINE 2610 with a C or higher. All other students must be of junior standing, or have permission of the instructor to enroll. FINE 2610 with a C or higher. All other students must be of junior standing or have permission of the instructor to enroll. Cross-listed with FINE 5715. Term offered: fall. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE BFA: FINE 2610 with a C or higher. All other students must be of junior standing or have permission of the instructor to enroll. Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4730 - Arts of Japan (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on selected themes and periods in Japanese art. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits. Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4750 - Arts of China (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on selected themes and periods in the arts and architecture of China. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4770 - Art of India and Southeast Asia (3 Credits)**

A lecture course on selected themes and periods in the arts of India and Southeast Asia. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4790 - Methods in Art History (3 Credits)**

A seminar about the various research methodologies in the history of art. Through reading, discussion, research, writing assignments, and presentations, students will demonstrate knowledge of art historiography. Prereq: FINE-BA: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610; ENGL 2070 or ENGL 3084 or ENGL 4180 or ENGL 4280. Prereq: FINE-BFA: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610. All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE-BA: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610; ENGL 2070 or ENGL 3084 or ENGL 4180 or ENGL 4280. Prereq: FINE-BFA: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610. All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4825 - Architectural Visualization (3 Credits)**

A lecture/lab course covering the 3D visualization of architectural projects. Students will develop skills/ knowledge about the techniques for creating realistic 3D models, texturing, lighting, and presentation. Special emphasis will be placed creating realism in modeling, materials, lighting, and professional renderings. Prereq: FINE 1820. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 1820

**FINE 4840 - Independent Study: FINE (1-3 Credits)**

Repeatable. Max Hours: 12 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 12.

**FINE 4950 - Studio BFA Thesis (3 Credits)**

Studio: BFA Thesis involves the preparation, exhibition and critical faculty response to students' Creative work. Course work focuses on contemporary trends in the arts, the commerce of the arts and the professional practices necessary to an artist' Self-promotion. Coreq: FINE 4515 (BFA Art Practices students only). Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade with IP

Coreq: FINE 4515 (BFA Art Practices students only).

Typically Offered: Spring.

**FINE 4951 - Bachelor of Art Thesis (3 Credits)**

A seminar that emphasizes creative and original research through the composition of a substantial paper on a topic in art history. Through discussion, presentations, and individual readings, students will demonstrate skills in research, writing, and critical thinking. Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BA majors with a sub-plan of ART within the College of Arts and Media. Repeatable. Max Hours: 6 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 6.

Restriction: Restricted to FINE-BA majors with a sub-plan of ART within the College of Arts and Media.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4970 - Modernist Art (3 Credits)**

A lecture course about developments in Modernist art and architecture from the late 18th century to 1960. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of the period's historical developments and an ability to analyze its art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA and FINE-BFA majors ONLY. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.

Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4971 - Dada & Surrealism (3 Credits)**

Dada and Surrealism represent turning points in the evolution of modern art history. Both movements are fundamental to the understanding of Modernism and postmodernism alike. In this course we will study the art, literature, philosophies, film and historical contexts of international Dada and Surrealist artists from World War I to the years immediately following World War II, and their legacy in the decades since. Prereq: For Visual Arts Majors, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 (all minimum grade C), or permission from instructor. All other students must be of junior- or senior-level standing, or have permission from the instructor. Term offered: Fall. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

For Visual Arts Majors, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 (all minimum grade C), or permission from instructor. All other students must be of junior- or senior-level standing, or have permission from the instructor.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4972 - Constructivism and the Bauhaus (3 Credits)**

This course will focus on the revolutionary culture, politics, interrelations, and legacy of the Russian Constructivists and the German Bauhaus school in the years surrounding the two World Wars. In this course we will study the art, design, literature, philosophies, film, and historical contexts of Constructivism and The Bauhaus, with a focus on the utopian ideals and (perhaps inevitable) demise of these groups of artists and designers, and their legacy in the decades since. Prereq: For Visual Arts Majors, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 (all minimum grade C), or permission from instructor. All other students must be of junior- or senior-level standing, or have permission from the instructor. Term offered: Fall. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

For Visual Arts Majors, requires prerequisite courses of FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 (all minimum grade C), or permission from instructor. All other students must be of junior- or senior-level standing, or have permission from the instructor.

Typically Offered: Fall.

**FINE 4980 - Gender in Contemporary Art (3 Credits)**

This lecture course will address ways in which gender issues have affected the creation and study of visual arts since the early 20th century, with an emphasis on art and culture since World War II. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.

Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring.

**FINE 4981 - History of Tattoos and Body Art (3 Credits)**

From prehistoric traditions to modern revivals, tattooing has proved to be an enduring feature of artistic practice. The seminar will analyze examples of tattoos from different cultures and contexts, so as to understand the variety in form and function. Prereq: FINE 2600: Art History Survey I and FINE 2610: Art History Survey II. Cross-listed with FINE 5981. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610.

**FINE 4990 - Contemporary Art: 1960 to Present (3 Credits)**

A lecture course about developments in art and architecture since 1960. Through visual analysis, vocabulary acquisition, discussion, exams and writing assignments, students will demonstrate knowledge of historical developments and an ability to analyze the art. Prereq: FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Max hours: 3 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Prereq FINE 2600 and FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only.

Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing.

**FINE 4993 - Topics Seminar in Art History I: Art before Modernism (3 Credits)**

Variable: Art History seminar pertaining to art before Modernism. Prereq: FINE 2610 for FINE-BA and FINE-BFA majors ONLY. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Prereq FINE-BFA/FINE-BA: FINE 2610

**FINE 4994 - Topics Seminar in Art History II: Modern and Contemporary Art (3 Credits)**

Variable: Art History seminar pertaining to Modern and contemporary art. Prereq: FINE 2610 for FINE-BA or FINE-BFA majors only. Restriction: All other students must be at junior- or senior-level standing. Repeatable. Max hours: 9 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 9.

Prereq FINE-BFA/FINE-BA: FINE 2610

Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

**FINE 4995 - Travel Study (1-15 Credits)**

Created for students doing travel study in a foreign country. Students register through the Office of International Education. Repeatable. Max hours: 15 Credits.

Grading Basis: Letter Grade

Repeatable. Max Credits: 15.

Additional Information: Global Education Study Abroad.

Typically Offered: Summer.