

## Art

Art involves the study and application of various means of expressing human interests, attitudes, emotions, and ideas. Students develop skills in problem-solving and in the understanding of the visual arts as a vital part of their liberal arts education. Art majors usually begin with an introductory design course and then choose a medium for focused study, such as ceramics, photography, graphic design, or sculpture. Cottey's art courses are open to students with an interest in exploring art and those who plan to major in art.

### Career Opportunities

Art majors learn to create images, objects, and environments using a variety of techniques and media. As art students work on structured assignments and independent studio projects, they sharpen their visual understanding and enhance their critical thinking skills.

Art majors find career opportunities in industry, advertising, architecture, art scholarship, art education, art history, illustration, interior design, fashion design, graphic design, photography, and the studio arts.

A master's degree is generally required for employment in museums and galleries, and for studio teaching positions. A Ph.D. may be required to work as a museum curator or director. Employment in art restoration and conservation requires specialized training and knowledge of chemistry.

Specialized interests may focus study and employment towards ceramics, pottery, textile design, fashion design, weaving, jewelry design, interior

decorating, and metalsmithing.

Commercial art specialization includes design, illustration, film, videography, and the production of murals, posters, and cards.

Due to excellent creative skills, art undergraduate majors also succeed in advertising, public relations, directing, journalism, and broadcasting.

### Internship and Directed Study Opportunities

As an art major, your chances to gain real world learning experiences through internships and directed studies are almost boundless.

Students at Cottey College participate in internships throughout the year with a variety of businesses, organizations, and non-profit agencies. A successful internship provides students with an opportunity to apply their classroom learning to the workplace.

Employers and graduate schools agree that students who have put classroom concepts and skills to work in

### Get Involved

Want to have fun and develop your leadership skills and your resume at the same time? Then get involved at Cottey College and in the Nevada community.

Cottey College has more than 35 student clubs and organizations in which to be involved. Plus, the Nevada and surrounding community offer an abundance of service opportunities.

Here are a few activities you might consider pursuing as an art major: join Associated Cottey College Artists (ACCA); take pictures for *The Spectrum* (Cottey's student newspaper); work on publicity for a campus organization; create advertising for a local non-profit organization; restore or create local murals; aid an elementary school art teacher or volunteer in a museum.

a "real world" environment are more realistic and productive than those who have not.

With the assistance of faculty and the transfer and career planning coordinator, art majors can find a variety of local and national internship experiences.

Opportunities exist locally in marketing, photography, non-profit organizations, elementary and high schools, political organizations, newspapers, and many more.

Directed study opportunities are available in all disciplines. Under the supervision of faculty, students can pursue academic credit on a topic or project that is related to, but beyond the scope of, regular course offerings.

Directed study topics can be tailored to your interests, whether it is conducting individual scientific research, studying girls' punk music, or conducting advanced computer programming.

## ART (4-Semester Sample Schedule)

Students should consult the catalog of the college to which they plan to transfer for specific requirements in their major. This suggested schedule is designed to provide the Associate in Arts degree candidate with the appropriate Cottey College core curriculum and enough coursework in their field to complete the 62 hours required for an A.A. degree. *Schedules may vary based on available classes and interests.*

First Year Fall Semester	Credit Hrs.	First Year Spring Semester	Credit Hrs.
ENG101 English Composition I	3	ENG102 English Composition II	3
Foreign Language	3 or 4	Foreign Language	3 or 4
ART131 Drawing I*	3	ART132 Drawing II*	3
ART211 2-D Design*	3	ART212 3-D Design*	3
Physical Activity	1	Physical Activity	1
Electives	2 to 3	Electives	2 to 3

  

Second Year Fall Semester	Credit Hrs.	Second Year Spring Semester	Credit Hrs.
MAT103 College Algebra or higher	3 or 4	Laboratory Science	4 or 5
Social Science [ECO, HIS, POL]	3	Social Science	3
ART201 Survey of Art History I*	3	ART202 Survey of Art History II*	3
Any Studio Art course*	3	Any Studio Art course *	3
Humanities	3	Electives	2 to 4
Electives	1 to 3		

### \* Courses recommended for major

In choosing electives, students should aim for courses related to the interests they anticipate pursuing. For example:

- Students with interests in digital art or graphic art are wise to take courses in photography and digital art.
- Students with interests in art history are wise to take courses in history, literature, anthropology or sociology.
- Students with interests in advertising are wise to take courses in digital art, journalism, creative writing, or photography.

## Faculty Advising

Preparing a class schedule, investigating majors, and researching transfer institutions can be confusing for a first-year student. At Cottey College, academic advising assists the individual student in clarifying and achieving her educational goals.

Each student is assigned a full-time faculty member as an academic advisor. Together the advisor and student devise a balanced academic program, which encompasses the student's educational

and career ambitions. The advisor reviews all registration decisions, the advisee's academic progress, and suggests transfer and career options.

This personalized approach to student advising allows the student to take responsibility for her own academic program, while tapping into faculty expertise.

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