

Prospective Students

The Department of Art offers a comprehensive, rigorous curriculum in Art Education, Art History, and Studio Art and is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD). Our new Graphic Design focus within the BFA degree offers exciting opportunities. Our department is part of the College of the Arts on the dynamic RiverPark Campus in the historic riverfront area. Our students participate in a robust array of courses, exhibitions, workshops and lectures in state-of-the-art facilities. Our unique Visiting Artist and Scholar Residency Program provide residencies to diverse, outstanding studio artists, art historians, art critics, and curators. Our residents text-ig workshops or teach special courses related to their disciplines, as well as giving public lectures on their work. Our students benefit from the synergy between our faculty, community, resident artists and scholars, and a multitude of performance, visual art, music, and lecture presentations annually offered within the College of the Arts.

Our Vision

Our vision is to become a highly selective and respected learning environment with a reputation of excellence in art, design and scholarship dedicated to creating future generations of cultural leaders. We also aim to contribute to the cultural development and vitality of Columbus; to nurture a community of scholars, artists and educators who will cultivate adaptability, creativity, diversity and imagination.

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Arrange a Customized Tour

We provide tours of our outstanding facilities in close collaboration with enrollment services. Contact the Department of Art at [706-507-8300](tel:706-507-8300) if you would like to schedule a department-focused tour, or have general questions.

Incoming Freshman & Transfer Scholarships

We regularly offer an array of competitive scholarships to incoming students including our top award, the Friends of Art: Funding Future Artists Scholarship which awards up to \$10,000 for the first year of study. Please be aware of the deadlines and note that the deadlines may change from year to year.

[Get more information and apply for the Incoming & Transfer Scholarship](#)

For scholarship application questions, contact [Professor Samantha Yoo](#).

Prospective Student FAQs

How do I get more information about Columbus State?

You can [request more information](#) from through our Admissions department.

How do I apply for admission and when is the deadline?

You can apply for admission through our [Admissions application page](#).

See our [undergraduate admission](#) and [graduate admission](#) pages for any application deadlines.

Do you require a portfolio for admission?

Only the BFA program requires a portfolio. You receive a link for portfolio submission after acceptance to CSU.

How do I apply for a scholarship?

Complete your [CSU Department of Art Scholarship Application](#).

Do you offer Graphic Design or Animation?

Yes, Graphic Design and Animation are offered as BFA areas of emphases.

How do I arrange a tour of CSU?

You can arrange a tour of the CSU campus by signing up for a [campus tour](#)

How do I arrange a tour of the department?

Contact our Administrative Assistant, [Ria Stringfellow](#), if you would like to schedule a department-focused tour

Do you provide Advanced Placement Credit?

Yes, please see our [Advanced Placement credits page](#) for more information.

Do you have an Honors Program?

Yes, many art students participate in the [Honors College](#)

Our Profile at a Glance:

- Generous scholarships such as the Friends of Art: Funding Future Artists Scholarship
- Among the finest arts facilities in the United States
- Visiting Artists and Scholars Residency Program hosts national and international art professionals
- A regular cycle of outstanding events including exhibitions, lectures, films, and workshops
- Comprehensive degree offerings in Art, Art Education and Art History
- Individual studios provided to undergraduate Thesis Exhibition students
- Smooth transition and scholarship opportunities for transfer students
- Freshman Learning Communities that accelerate student success
- Internship opportunities that build experience and leadership skills
- Small classes with nationally and internationally recognized faculty
- Advanced Placement (AP) credit offered in selected courses
- An Honors College supports academic excellence
- SRACE undergraduate grant opportunities support student research and creative activity
- Travel scholarships and grants support study abroad and global understanding
- Certificate opportunities provided in Visual Communication and the Georgia Film Academy

Helpful Information

Our degree, minor and certificate descriptions may be found in the [Academic Catalog](#)

View our growing list of [Course Descriptions](#)

[Art Education](#)

[Art History](#)

[Studio Art](#)

Visit the [CSU Honors College](#)