In addition to the university admission requirements, students wishing to major in any program in the College of Visual Arts and Design must meet minimum academic requirements to be classified as a pre-major. Admission to the college through this process does not guarantee acceptance into your chose major. See “Admission Requirements” on page two for specific guidelines.

To complete the program within four years, students must have completed ADES 1500 (available only at UNT), ARTS 1311, ARTS 1316, and the entry portfolio review at the end of their first freshman Fall semester. Students interested in completing an associate’s degree at a community college may consult with a College of Visual Arts and Design advisor about concurrent enrollment options.

Courses Recommended for Transfer

**UNT Core: English Composition & Rhetoric**

- ENGL 1301; and ENGL 1302 or 2311
  
  A grade of ‘C’ or better is required on courses applied toward this requirement.

**UNT Core: Mathematics**

- One course chosen from: MATH 1316, 1325 or 1425, 1332, 1342 or 1442, 1350, 1351, 2312 or 2412, 2313 or 2413 or 2513

**UNT Core: Natural Science**

- Two courses including laboratories, or two laboratory/lecture course combinations, chosen from:
  
  - ANTH 2401 or 2101/2301
  - ASTR 1403 or 1103/1303
  - ASTR 1404 or 1104/1304
  - BIOL 1406 or 1106/1306
  - BIOL 1407 or 1107/1307
  - BIOL 1411 or 1111/1311
  - BIOL 1413 or 1113/1313
  - BIOL 2401 or 2101/2301
  - BIOL 2402 or 2102/2302
  - BIOL 2406 or 2106/2306
  - BIOL 2420 or 2120/2320
  - CHEM 1411 or 1111/1311
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  - GEOL 1401 or 1101/1301
  - GEOL 1403 or 1103/1303
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  - PHYS 1410 or 1110/1310
  - PHYS 1415 or 1115/1315
  - PHYS 2425 or 2125/2325
  - PHYS 2426 or 2126/2326

**UNT Core: U.S. History**

- Two courses chosen from: HIST 1301, 1302, 2301

**UNT Core: Political Science**

- Two courses chosen from one of the following combinations:
  
  - GOVT 2301 and 2302
  - GOVT 2305 and 2306
  - GOVT 2301 and 2305
  - GOVT 2301 and 2306
  - GOVT 2302 and 2306

**UNT Core: Visual & Performing Arts**

- This requirement will be met by fulfilling the Visual Arts program requirements (see “Core Course Requirements” next column).

**UNT Core: Humanities**

- One course chosen from: ENGL 2322, 2323, 2327, 2328, 2332, or 2333; PHIL 1304 or 2316

**UNT Core: Social & Behavioral Sciences**

- One course chosen from: ANTH 2346 or 2351; COMM 1307; CRIJ 1301; ECON 2301 or 2302; HUMA 2323; PSYC 2301; SOCI 1301; SPCH 1318; TECA 1354

**UNT Core: Discovery**

- This requirement will be met by fulfilling the Visual Arts program requirements (see “Core Course Requirements” below).

**UNT Core: Capstone**

- The Capstone Core requirement is unique to UNT and will be fulfilled by an advanced course at UNT.

Communication Design: Core Course Requirements

- ARTS 1301 (fulfills Discovery core and three hours of major requirements).
- ARTS 1303 (fulfills Visual & Performing Arts core and three hours of major requirements).
- ARTS 1304 (fulfills Visual & Performing Arts core and three hours of major requirements).
- ARTS 1311
- ARTS 1312
- ARTS 1316
- ARTS 1317

Courses listed above are TCCNS options and do not include all courses required for the UNT Communication Design major.

Communication Design: Other Course Requirements

- ARTS 2323
- ARTS 2316 or 2341 or 2346

There are no TCCNS course options for UNT’s Design (ADES) courses.

Communication Design: Minor

- No minor is required.
Admission Requirements

Admission to the College: In addition to the university admission requirements, applicants must meet the following minimum requirements for admission to the College of Visual Arts and Design:

- Freshman applicants must have a verbal SAT score of 450 or higher, or a verbal ACT score of 18 or higher.
- Transfer Freshmen (with less than 30 hours) must have a verbal SAT of 450 or better and a GPA of 2.5.
- Transfer applicants with more than 30 hours must have a cumulative GPA of 2.25 or higher.
- Applicants have the opportunity to submit a one-page support document/image that may be taken into consideration during the admission process. At the time of your UNT application you can submit this optional piece, at [https://art.unt.edu/forms/CVAD_entry](https://art.unt.edu/forms/CVAD_entry).

Admission to the Communication Design major: To be admitted to the communication design major (and to be eligible to enroll in advanced art courses), a pre-major must meet all the following requirements:

Complete at least 30 hours of college courses (including those listed below) and have:

- completed ARTS 1301, 1311, 1312, 1316, 1317 and ADES 1500 (available only at UNT) with a grade of C or better
- submitted an entry portfolio ([http://art.unt.edu/communication-design.html](http://art.unt.edu/communication-design.html)) to the Communication Design Entry Portfolio Review and have been admitted to starting the Communication Design Freshman and Sophomore studio Sequence
- completed ADES 1540, 2510, 2515, 2520, and 2530 (ADES courses available only at UNT) with a grade of C or better
- submitted a portfolio ([http://art.unt.edu/communication-design.html](http://art.unt.edu/communication-design.html)) to the Communication Design Mid Point Portfolio Review and have been selected in the spring semester
- earned at least a 2.75 GPA on the required Art courses
- earned a minimum 2.25 UNT grade point average

There are no TCCNS course options for UNT’s Communication Design (ADES) courses. ADES courses are offered only at UNT.

Special Notes (continued)

Portfolio Review: Each major has a review system. Some majors require an entry-level portfolio review and a mid-point portfolio review, which the student must pass to continue in the major. All majors require that seniors pass an exit review and/or a capstone course prior to graduation. Students who do not pass one or another of the successive required reviews should consult with their faculty advisor and/or the department chair regarding further options. Students should contact a faculty advisor in their major for specific expectations and procedures for all portfolio reviews.

Transfer Credits: A transferred course must be reviewed for approval in order to be substituted for a required art course. Transfer credits in art from other schools can be substituted for UNT degree requirements only when content of the two courses is the same. Art core courses (Art Appreciation, Design I, Design II, Drawing I, Drawing II, Art History Survey I and Art History Survey II) are transferable from a Texas Community College. The student should provide a transcript of all college work so an advisor may better assist the student with course selection. Transfer students’ transcript evaluations are tentative, pending successful completion of a term/semester of work in art at UNT.

Transfer courses in the major area of art are evaluated by program faculty to be sure that students have acquired necessary competencies. It is the student’s responsibility to provide the faculty advisor with a copy of the catalog that describes the content of any course to be transferred. Examples of work created in the class may also be required for evaluation of skill level. Faculty advisors are available by appointment when school is in session.

UNT Core Curriculum/Transfer of Core Curriculum: UNT complies with the mandates of the 1997 Texas Legislature regarding requirements for state-assisted institutions. Students who successfully complete the common core curriculum (in whole or in part) at a Texas state-assisted institution of higher education are eligible to transfer as “core complete” for those categories in the UNT University Core Curriculum.

Individual academic programs may require courses contained in parts of the University Core Curriculum. Students who wish to take courses that will fulfill both core and major/program requirements simultaneously should check with academic advisors for assistance in selecting core courses.

Choice of Catalog: Any student transferring directly from a Texas public community college to UNT shall have the same choice of catalog designating degree requirements as the student would have had if the dates of attendance at the university had been the same as the dates of attendance at the community college.

The College of Visual Arts and Design required curriculum and policies are located in the [Undergraduate Catalog 2012-2013](http://www.unt.edu/departments/art/undergraduate_catalog/).

For additional program and contact information see the College of Visual Arts and Design Student Advising website: [http://www.art.unt.edu/academic-advising.html](http://www.art.unt.edu/academic-advising.html)

Special Notes

Hours Required and General/College Requirements: A minimum of 120, of which 42 must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree as specified in the “General University Requirements” section of the UNT catalog and the College of Visual Arts and Design requirements.

- 24 advanced hours must be completed at UNT
- 36 hours of art (including at least 12 advanced hours) must be completed at UNT

Academic Requirements: Art majors and art minors must take courses in sequence and must maintain at least a 2.5 grade point average in all art courses. Only grades of C (2.0) or better in art courses will count toward a student’s degree requirements.

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This four-year plan provides a model for on-time completion of this UNT program using as many TCCNS courses as possible. The four-year plan also shows the first point when no TCCNS options are available for this program. See the current Undergraduate Catalog for course prerequisites. Course availability at UNT is subject to change, and the plan shown below may change based on updates to UNT’s course offerings.

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*Entry portfolio review at end of fall semester*

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