

# DEPARTMENT OF ART AND ART HISTORY

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In the Department of Art and Art History at CSU, we approach learning in a holistic fashion with an eye towards helping students develop their creative problem-solving skills. We emphasize the conceptual and the practical, where the “why” is as important as the “how.” Our program balances ideation and research with hands-on learning and material process. Our visual art degrees are thinking degrees where students learn to communicate within historical and contemporary contexts to find their place in the world.

Dr. Eleanor Moseman, Chair

## Our programs:

The Department of Art and Art History offers undergraduate degrees rooted in a progressive, challenging, and engaging curriculum. Our programs offer opportunities for international and interdisciplinary study and support our students’ individual paths in research and creative artistry.

Our program begins with our Foundations classes, an intensive inquiry into fundamental questions of time and structure, form and observation, color and composition, and materials and space, along with a global survey of art history that lays the groundwork for an arts education. After completing the requirements of the Foundations Program, students can choose upper-division (300-400 level) courses in one of our ten concentration areas; often students opt to do more than one concentration.

All of our degree programs provide our students with a wide range of desirable job skills. They include creative ideation, visual literacy,

time management and organization, project management, research, written and verbal communication skills, emotional intelligence, giving and receiving constructive criticism, problem solving, critical thinking, prioritizing, and discernment, among many others. We support our graduates in being engaged, ambitious, and well equipped to step into the next stage of their lives where their skills, knowledge, and confidence will allow them to pursue a successful career as creative thinkers in the rapidly changing world of the 21st century.

As part of the College of Liberal Arts, students in the Department of Art and Art History have access to career resources (<https://www.libarts.colostate.edu/students/careers/>) that help them create their future. We encourage our students to participate in internships, cooperative education, and service-learning opportunities to enrich their practical training and development.

## Questions?

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