

ART HISTORY, B.A.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2025-26 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition.

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The course series listed below provides **only one** of the many possible ways to move through this curriculum. The University may make changes in policies, procedures, educational offerings, and requirements at any time. This plan should be used in conjunction with your degree audit (accessible in LionPATH as either an **Academic Requirements** or **What If** report). Please consult with a Penn State academic adviser on a regular basis to develop and refine an academic plan that is appropriate for you.

First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ARTH 1S (Art History Support Elective/FYS) ^{*3}	3 Additional Course ^{*1}	3
Additional Course ^{*1}	3 Foreign Language	4
ENGL 15, 15A, or 30H [†]	3 General Education Course	3
Foreign Language	4 General Education Course	3
GQ [#]	3 General Education Course	3
	16	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Additional Course ^{*1}	3 Support Course Geographic Area ^{*2}	3
Studio Art (GA) ^{*†4}	3 Support Course Art History Elective ^{*3}	3
Foreign Language	4 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3 CAS 100 [#]	3
	16	15

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Support Course Geographic Area ^{*2}	3 ARTH 350W [*]	3
Support Course Art History Elective ^{*3}	3 B.A. Knowledge Domain (US)	3
General Education Course	3 B.A. Knowledge Domain	3
GQ [#]	3 World Cultures	3
B.A. Knowledge Domain (IL)	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
Support Course Art History Elective ^{*3}	3 Support Course Geographic Area ^{*2}	3
ENGL 202 [#]	3 Elective	3

General Education Course	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3	
	15	12

Total Credits 120

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major

‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education

Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

¹ Additional Courses - Select nine credits from the following list;

ARTH 100, ARTH 105N, ARTH 107N, ARTH 111, ARTH 111U, ARTH 111H, ARTH 112, ARTH 112U, ARTH 120, ARTH 120Z, ARTH 130, ARTH 140, ARTH 201, ARTH 202N. These nine credits must include one course in Western art and one course in non-Western art. ARTH 100 and ARTH 107N do not count for either the Western or non-Western requirement.

² Supporting Courses - Select 9 credits of ARTH geographical distribution with one course from three of the following four geographic categories: Chose in consultation with the department or faculty adviser: 1) Africa and the Middle East, 2) The Americas, 3) Asia and the Pacific, 4) Europe and the Mediterranean. Courses that address multiple geographies may count for any one requirement from the geographic categories.

³ Supporting Courses – Select 12 credits in Art History Electives

⁴ Select 3 credits in studio art (0-499 level), Prerequisites for studio art classes may apply

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

All incoming Schreyer Honors College first-year students at University Park will take ENGL 137H/CAS 137H in the fall semester and ENGL 138T/CAS 138T in the spring semester. These courses carry the GWS designation and satisfy a portion of that General Education requirement. If the student's program prescribes GWS these courses will replace both ENGL 15/ENGL 30H and CAS 100A/CAS 100B/CAS 100C. Each course is 3 credits.

Bachelor of Arts Requirements:

Bachelor of Arts students must take 9 credits in Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Fields (Humanities; Social and Behavioral Sciences; Arts; World Languages [2nd language or beyond the 12th credit level of proficiency in the 1st]; Natural Sciences; Quantification). The B.A. Fields courses may not be taken in the area of the student's primary major. See your adviser and the Degree Requirements section (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/>)

undergraduate/general-information/academic-information/) of this Bulletin.

Bachelor of Arts students must take 3 credits in World Cultures. See your adviser and the full list of courses approved as World Cultures courses (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/general-education/course-lists/ba-world-cultures/>).

Advising Notes:

- 3 credits of major Additional or Supporting Courses must include Architectural History. Architectural history courses may be taken in satisfaction of any of the Additional, Supporting, or Elective requirements.
- At least 12 credits of Supporting Courses must be taken at the 400 level or higher; ARTH 495 may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- At least 3 credits of Supporting Courses must be in Prehistoric-1600.