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Description

If you are interested in eventually pursuing a bachelor's degree in Art, you can begin by majoring in Liberal Arts with an Art Emphasis. Our program will give you a strong foundation in the techniques and materials of visual art while expanding your understanding of visual culture and its history. Taking our foundations courses can help you prepare for transfer to other colleges, universities, and art institutes. By taking the Art Emphasis, you will build a portfolio or other professional projects, and you will learn to contribute to the vitality of the arts in our local community and beyond.

Mission

The CWI Art Program promotes the development of artistic quality, intentional craftsmanship, and aesthetic judgment and gives students a foundational understanding of the history of visual culture. An emphasis in art will provide students with opportunities to grow as artists and prepare them to contribute to their immediate community and the global society through the arts. The program also prepares students who are interested in transferring to a four-year college or university to complete a bachelor's degree with a major in art.

Why This Program

This program prepares you to begin embarking on a career in the arts through foundational studies. It includes an introduction to technical skills and materials used in a range of artistic disciplines as well as opportunities to gain a broad-based understanding of the historical and cultural contexts of the arts. Visual art majors often seek employment in art education, art therapy, museum studies, photography,

and design fields in addition to working as studio artists and using their knowledge and skills for personal enrichment.

What You Will Learn to Do

- Demonstrate technical proficiency in 2-D and 3-D methods and materials
- Integrate art fundamentals with the understanding of the historical and cultural contexts
- Synthesize their knowledge, skills, and interpretations of visual culture
- Examine and analyze their emerging professional readiness
- Develop and present a comprehensive portfolio

Clubs



Arts Club

Our club exists to give the students an artistic outlet and to help enrich and foster an interest for art and personal expression through art. Though the club is for artists, it can be enjoyed by all who appreciate art.

Additional Opportunities

Students can participate in one of the most active clubs. The CWI Art Club offers students interested in the arts a variety of social and service activities and opportunities for professional development.

Created to make local and regional artists part of CWI's academic experience, the Visiting Artist Program offers lectures and workshops free to the public each semester. Students have a unique opportunity to work in a smaller setting with professional artists.

Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts - Art Focus

Degree Type:

AA

Length:

24 Months

Delivery Formats:

Traditional, Online

Important Dates for Credit Programs

	Fall 2014	Spring 2015	Summer 2015
Registration Open	April 14	November 10	April 13
Financial Aid Priority Date	July 14	December 1	May 11
Admission Deadline	August 8	December 22	May 15
Tuition and Fees Due	August 22	January 9	May 29
Last Day to Register	August 22	January 9	May 29
Classes Begin	August 25	January 12	June 1*

*Some classes begin before this date. See [class schedule](#) [1] for more information.

Please refer to our [Important Dates](#) [2] for more information.

Financial Aid Available

Did you know that as a student in this program you may be eligible for financial aid? Through grants, [scholarships](#) [3], and loans, more than 60 percent of first-time, full-time CWI students receive some form of financial assistance. To learn more about financial aid options and whether you may be eligible, visit [Financial Aid](#) [4].

Tuition and Fees

Tuition for a full-time CWI student averages half the cost of a state university and a third of the cost of a private college. Tuition and fees vary based on program and residence. Visit [Tuition and Fees](#) [5] for more information.

Advising

Navigating your way through college can be confusing, especially if you try to go it alone. CWI One Stop Student Services offers advising assistance, to help in deciding which courses you need to take to complete your educational goals. Visit [Advising](#) [6] for more information or contact [One Stop Student Services](#) [7] to schedule an appointment.

Did you know you do not necessarily need to take all art classes in consecutive order? Art History 102 can be taken before Art History 101 in the same way that you do not need to take Art 106 after Art 105.

Transfer

Look beyond your degree at CWI and plan for continuing your education by working closely with CWI advising and representatives of your intended transfer school. Planning before you transfer can save you time and money. Visit [Transfer Information](#) [8] for more information or contact [One Stop Student Services](#) [7].

Students wanting to transfer to another art program are advised to find out about admission requirements. Many art departments require a portfolio review for admission. Start by looking for colleges that offer programs specific to the profession/area of emphasis you are interested in.

Career Information

The path preparing you to work as a professional artist will vary greatly from one job to another and generally consists of a combination of higher education and hands-on experience through an internship program or in-school work experience. For some types of jobs, a certificate or associate degree in graphic design or a related field may be sufficient. For other positions, a bachelor's or graduate level degree in fine art, art history or a related field may be necessary. Highly specialized occupations require specialized training. For example, art therapists must complete the academic requirements necessary to become a licensed therapist as well as art-specific education.

Once you have an idea of the type of art career that you are most interested in, you should begin researching the exact education requirements you will need in order to be ready to enter the field. Start by looking for colleges that offer training programs specific to the profession and contact major employers to find out about their hiring preferences for entry level employees. This information will help you make wise decisions about how to properly prepare for the next stage of your career.

Professions

- Art Education
- Art Curator
- Art Restoration
- Art Therapy
- Graphic Design
- Fashion Design
- Interior Design
- Illustration
- Multimedia Artist
- Museum Studies

Locations



Nampa Campus Academic Building

5500 E. Opportunity Dr. Nampa, ID 83687



Ada County Campus Pintail Center

1360 S. Eagle Flight Way, Boise, ID 83709



Canyon County Center

2407 Caldwell Blvd., Nampa, ID 83651



Nampa Campus Aspen Classroom Building

6002 Birch Lane, Nampa, ID 83687



Nampa Campus Multipurpose Building

6042 Birch Lane, Nampa, ID 83687

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