

School of Visual Arts & Design

Admission, Continuation & Progression Policy

Studio Art (BA and BFA)

In alignment with UCF's "[Timely Academic Progress Toward a Degree Policy](#)," SVAD has established a policy to ensure students make consistent progress toward graduation.

Students who wish to pursue the [Art BA, Studio Track](#) or [Studio Art Bachelor of Fine Arts \(BFA\)](#) at UCF must successfully complete necessary milestones to progress through the major for timely graduation. All students begin with a declared major in Art BA, Studio Track. Students who wish to pursue a specialized degree in Studio Art BFA will apply for admission to the BFA in addition to the Studio Art portfolio.

Studio Art Portfolio

Students pursuing the following degrees [Art BA, Studio Art track](#), [Art BA, Immersive Experience Design Track](#), and [Studio Art BFA](#) must pass the [Studio Art portfolio](#) to advance into upper-level studio art courses required for the degree. The Studio Art portfolio requires students to demonstrate traditional studio art fundamentals.

The Studio Art portfolio submission occurs each fall and spring semester. Students must complete the required prerequisite courses with grades of "C" (2.0) or better prior to submission of the Studio Art portfolio. Portfolio submissions will only be approved when they enable timely graduation.

Students who pass the Studio Art portfolio will progress in the degree and may begin taking upper-level studio art courses. Students who do not pass the Studio Art portfolio will be notified in writing and can resubmit the Studio Art portfolio in the following semester or complete an intensive art course in the area they were unsuccessful. Students who select the intensive course option must earn a grade of "C" (2.0) or better to pass that portion of the portfolio. Students who fail to pass or fail to submit the Studio Art portfolio, or do not pass one or both intensive courses will be notified in writing and asked to meet with their CAHSA ASC to select an alternate major which supports timely graduation.

Studio Art BFA Portfolio

After completion of the Studio Art portfolio, students who wish to pursue the Studio Art BFA are required to submit the Studio Art BFA portfolio as an application into the program. Students must complete one upper-level course in their desired specialization before submitting the Studio Art BFA portfolio.

Progress in the major

Students admitted to the Studio Art BFA will sign the Studio Art BFA agreement outlining requirements needed to complete their degree. Students will work closely with their faculty mentor and CAHSA ASC to ensure on-time graduation. Students must earn a grade of "C"

(2.0) or better in all major coursework and maintain a 3.0 major GPA. Students who fail to maintain the 3.0 major GPA will be placed on SVAD probation and will be notified in writing. Students have one semester to return to good standing by achieving a 3.0 major GPA. Students who fail to achieve a 3.0 GPA after one semester will be moved to the Art BA, Studio Track. Similarly, students who fall below a 3.0 major GPA in the semester immediately before graduation must achieve a 3.0 major GPA in the final semester to earn the degree. If it is mathematically impossible to achieve a 3.0 major GPA in the final semester, or if a student fails to achieve a 3.0 major GPA in the final semester, SVAD will award the Art BA, Studio track.

The School of Visual Arts and Design (SVAD) and College of Art & Humanities (CAH) reserve the right to place a registration hold and change students' majors to CAH-Unclassified in instances where students fail to select a new major when notified.