

This worksheet is for **PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY** and does not replace your **degree evaluation report** once you have **declared** your program. In the event of any discrepancy, your degree report and the **Academic Calendar (September 2026)** will be considered the authority.

Visual Arts Major (BFA)

Faculty of Fine Arts, Department of Visual Arts

Years 1 – 2

Course requirement	Units
Y1: Fine Arts Co-requisite: 1 of AHVS 120, AHVS 121, FA 101, FA 245, MUS 109, MUS 116, THEA 102, THEA 104, WRIT 109 or WRIT 120	1.5
AHVS elective (or any non-visual arts elective if AHVS 120 or 121 selected above)	1.5
ART 103, 104, 105, 106, 155, 156	9.0
Non-visual arts elective (not ART)	1.5
Elective (approved AWR course, if needed)	1.5
Y2: *Select from: ART 201, 202, 211, 212, 221, 222, 241, 242, 261, 262, 271, 272	9.0
AHVS elective	1.5
Non-visual arts electives (not ART)	3.0
Elective	1.5

Declare this program: Email fineartsadvising@uvic.ca after 12 units.

Years 3 – 4: Compare Honours program

Course requirement	Units
*Select from: ART 300, 306, 310, 320, 335, 340, 351, 352, 360, 363, 370, 395, 406, 495	12.0
ART 401	3.0
AHVS electives (3.0) + non-visual arts electives (3.0)	6.0
Electives	9.0
Total units required for degree	60.0

6.0 units of AHVS, non-ART, and/or electives must be 300 – 499. Apply in March to register for a team-taught course: ART306, 395, 406, 495. Most upper-level ART courses are yearlong (fall-spring).

This is a **sample plan** for students intending a balanced **full-time four-year degree** with or without summer studies.

- **Full-time students:** Complete at least **12 units** by April 30 of Year 1 to gain **second-year standing**.
- **Part-time students:** If you'll be taking a reduced course load, your degree will take longer.
- **Summer studies** in electives and ART courses are optional, if offered.
- **Your electives** can be taken in any term or year and can apply to the requirements of another program (major or minor). Find tips about choosing electives at uvic.ca/fineartsadvising
- **Need academic accommodations?** Register with the **Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL)** after you accept your offer of admission.
- **Questions about fees or tax forms?** Visit the **tuition and student fees** page.
- Consult **Student Awards and Financial Aid (SAFA)** for info about **bursaries, scholarships, loans** and the **work study program**.
- The **International Centre for Students (ICS)** supports international students and offers the **International Exchange Program**.
- **Co-op and Career Services** offers **paid work experience programs**. **Career educators** are available to help you plan.
- **Questions?** Email fineartsadvising@uvic.ca.

Course registration help:

Learn [how to register for courses](#).

-Review [course descriptions](#) and [timetable notes](#).

-Contact studentsupport@uvic.ca or (250) 721-8121.

-Email any questions about ART courses to visualarts@uvic.ca

PROGRAM & COURSES

An **asterisk (*)** on this page indicates associated details: Look up the [Visual Arts Major program entry in the Academic Calendar](#) for more info. **Your responsibility:** Make sure you're informed about all supplemental information related to courses as they apply to your program, **including prerequisites**.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the requirements for your program, you must satisfy all [requirements for the Faculty of Fine Arts](#) including to have at least 30 of the minimum 60 required units at UVic. Within these 60 units, 21 units must be upper-level (300-499) courses, and 18 of those 21 units must be taken at UVic.

ACADEMIC WRITING

If you've not already satisfied UVic's [Academic Writing Requirement \(AWR\)](#) on admission, you'll need **one of ATWP 110, ATWP 135, ENSH 101, ENSH 102, ENSH103** or another approved course. Note: Your program (above) may also list one or more of these courses as mandatory requirements.

DECLARING PROGRAM

Request to declare your academic program at the end of Year 1 or 2.

Declared students use an online [degree evaluation report](#) for tracking graduation requirements instead of this worksheet.