## Major: ART

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:**

Transfer students interested in the art major must pass a highly competitive portfolio review prior to entering UCSC. Students must have completed a minimum of 3 lower division studio art courses (comparable to UCSC art lower division courses -- listed on assist.org) prior to entering UCSC. Applicants who do not pass the portfolio review and are accepted to UCSC will not be allowed to take art classes at UCSC during the fall, winter, and spring quarters and must pursue another major if they decide to attend UCSC.

**Transfer students who intend to pursue this major should do the following prior to the beginning of their first term:**

Those students who passed the portfolio review in April will petition to officially declare the major at summer orientation or early in their first term. It is advised that students complete all three of their lower division studios at the community college, in addition to studios in their area of interest, to be able to submit a high-level portfolio.

**...and should take these courses their first term:**

Art 194: Forms and Ideas (required)

In addition, the undergraduate adviser will assist junior transfers in enrolling in one upper division studio.

**Skills important for success in this major:**

Ability to conceptualize different visual approaches to artistic problems, and ability to take a disciplined approach to course work.

**Although not required for the major, students in this major might benefit from these courses/subjects:**

Many art students enjoy taking additional classes (beyond those that are required) in History of Art and Visual Culture. Students should also consider taking classes in other academic departments that give them creative ideas on which to base their art.

**Other information:**

Students are notified of the results of the portfolio review before they need to submit their Statement of Intent to Register for UCSC. Acceptance to UCSC does not guarantee admission to the Art Program, nor does passing the portfolio review guarantee admission to UCSC.

**Links to More Information:**

- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)
- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)
- [http://art.ucsc.edu/programs/introduction](http://art.ucsc.edu/programs/introduction) (program website)
- [http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html](http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html) (transfer credit info)

**Questions? Contact an Adviser!**

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