

FINE ARTS



Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts

The Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts program will help you develop talents and cultural knowledge, and prepare you for success in any fine arts institution.

Fine arts majors have an understanding of art and personal expression. During the course of the program, students will acquire strong skills in research, public speaking, and writing.

About the Program

This interdisciplinary degree program allows students to concentrate in art, drama, or music while receiving arts administration and graphic design skills. Students gain both practical work experience and professional networks by completing an internship—a requirement of the 120-hour-credit program. In addition to an internship, graduates produce a portfolio comprised of their best projects created during their time in the fine arts program.

Graduates of the fine arts program will:

- Describe, in detail, the historical and stylistic development of each of the fine arts.
- Effectively analyze and communicate the significance of humanities and fine arts products and performances.
- Express ideas through multiple media.
- Produce posters, brochures, ads and postcards using design and graphic software.

The courses, which form the core of the fine arts degree, develop a students' skills and cultural knowledge for an exciting career within: fine arts non-profit organizations; fine arts administration positions; gallery, museum or fine arts foundation work; fine arts journals or publications; fine arts consulting; technical theater; or graduate school in art history, music history, drama history or liberal studies.

Getting Started

1. **Apply for Admissions**
applytexas.org
2. **Apply for Financial Aid**
fafsa.ed.gov
3. **Fulfill Testing Requirements**
uhd.edu/testing
4. **Get Advised and Register**
uhd.edu/academics/advising
5. **Pay for Classes**
uhd.edu/cashiers
6. **Prepare for Class**

For more information, visit:
uhd.edu/admissions

Median Salary

According to the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the national average salary of an Archivists, Curators and Museum Workers is **\$47,230**; Interior Design is **\$49,810**; Music Composer is **\$50,110**; Graphic Design is **\$47,650**; Photographer is **\$34,070**; and Multimedia Artist/Animator is **\$65,300**.

Earn Your Degree

- Downtown

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Though not mandatory, students have the option of choosing a minor (minimum of 18 hours), such as: Art, Arts Administration, Communication Studies, and Creative Writing, to help further specialize their program.

All fine arts graduates will leave UHD prepared to step into the vibrant arts scene that Houston offers.

Affiliated Student Organizations

The O’Kane Theater, which is within the Department of Art and Humanities, allows students the opportunity to experience working both on-stage and backstage. For over 35 years, students, faculty, staff and alumni have participated in productions that include: Ain’t Misbehavin’, Rome & Juliet, Macbeth, A Few Good Men, Fences, and Steel Magnolias.

The O’Kane Gallery, named for Harry W. O’Kane, annually hosts five to six exhibitions that represent diverse artists, themes and mediums. UHD faculty carefully curates each exhibition to ensure it is engaging, inspiring, and informative.



Career Options

A Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts prepares graduates for a variety of careers:

