

Graduate Program Admission Information

The Master of Arts (M.A.) in art is offered with areas of emphasis in art history and criticism, and studio art (ceramics, drawing, graphic design, painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture). In combination with these areas, the Art Department also offers graduate study in alternative media.

Applicants should demonstrate advanced preparation through portfolio review, previous coursework, and résumé. In addition to the Webster University graduate admission requirements, applicants must satisfy the admission requirements listed below and petition to study within one of the areas of emphasis. A student admitted into the program will be assigned an advisor from the art faculty. All students in the M.A. in art program will be reviewed for advancement to candidacy on completion of 6 credit hours with grades of B or above.

Admission Requirements

- For art history and criticism: Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in art history or approved equivalent from an accredited institution
- For studio art: Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) from an accredited institution
- Completed application for the M.A. in art
- Submission of official transcripts
- Three letters of recommendation, at least two of which must be from former teachers
- Statement of approximately 500 words examining reasons for graduate study in art
- An interview for art history and criticism, or satisfactory portfolio review for studio art, by an appointed committee of full-time art faculty consisting of the department chair, the major professor in the student's potential area of emphasis, and one other faculty member