

COURSES:

ART HISTORY MAJOR:

10 course units, including:

ARTH 1114 Art History: Ancient to Gothic
ARTH 1124 Art History: Renaissance to Modern
ARTH 1604 Introduction to Asian Art
ARTH 4444 Capstone Seminar in Art History

1 studio art course, 1 course in Western art and 1
course in Asian art:
3 additional art history courses

ART HISTORY MINOR:

6 courses including:

ARTH 1114 Art History: Ancient to Gothic
ARTH 1124 Art History: Renaissance to Modern
ARTH 1604 Introduction to Asian Art
1 studio art course and 2 additional art history courses

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ABOUT THE MAJOR:

The art history major brings a distinctive intellectual slant to the art program by teaching students to think analytically in a visual way. The program is also interdisciplinary in nature—in addition to art history courses that cover areas such as ancient, gothic, Renaissance, modern and Asian art, the major may encompass courses from anthropology, history or philosophy. This approach to the study of art history looks at how artists are shaped by historical, political, social and intellectual conditions. The artist is seen as a part of this whole, rather than separate from it.

Transylvania students learn in a global classroom. Study abroad offers travel opportunities for an academic year, a term, a summer or May term. Trips to such cities as Paris, Florence, Rome and London give students access to the art and architecture they study, as well as first-hand experiences they can bring back to campus for further examination. Kenan Grants have funded student research and creative work all over the world, including England, France and Germany.

COURSES OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

Arts of Anime
Buddhist Art of Asia
History of Architecture: Classic to Contemporary
Modern and Contemporary Chinese Art
Socially Engaged Art Practices
Women in Art

INTERNSHIPS OUR STUDENTS HAVE COMPLETED:

Artistic coordinator, PRHBTN Street Art Festival
Museum education, University of Kentucky Art Museum
Museum curatorship, University of Kentucky Art Museum
Historic preservation, Bluegrass Trust for Historic Preservation
Historic properties, Henry Clay Estate at Ashland
Special exhibitions, Indianapolis Museum of Art

POSSIBLE CAREER OPTIONS:

Art conservationist
Arts administrator
City planner
Gallery owner
Graphic designer
Historic preservationist
Interior designer
Museum curator
Publisher
Social worker
Teacher
University professor

WHERE OUR STUDENTS HAVE TRAVELED:

France
Spain
Italy
China
Ireland
England
Hawaii

WHERE GRADUATES HAVE STUDIED:

Royal Academy of London
Stony Brook University
University of Edinburgh
University of Oregon School of Architecture
University of West Virginia
SUNY Buffalo
George Washington University



“From their first year at Transylvania, students have intensive guidance and training for doing research. We try really hard to teach them our research methods—methods that are applicable to all fields, not just art history.”

Wei Lin, associate professor of art history