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Art, Design and Performing Arts Programs

Visual Arts

Location Offered:

Nanaimo

Credential:

Diploma

Program Length:

2 Years

The Program

Students may apply for VIU's Visual Art Diploma upon successful completion of 60 credits and a minimum Grade Point Average of 1.84. Of the 60 credits, 45 must be within the Art Department and include 6 credits of Art History with a minimum grade of "C". Advanced students may apply for transfer credits from other institutions.

Note: All students enrolled in art or design studio courses offered within VIU's Art and Design department must complete mandatory safety training session(s) before they will be allowed to use the department's facilities. Each student must purchase and use equipment as specified by the department and sold through the VIU Campus Store.

Program Outline

Year 1	Credits
ARTS 101 - (Drawing I) <i>and</i> , ARTS 102 - (Drawing II)	6
ARTS 111 - (History of Western Art I) <i>and</i> , ARTS 112 - (History of Western Art II)	6
ARTS 120 - (Two-Dimensional Design)	3
ARTS 121 - (Three-Dimensional Design)	3
Degree English Requirements	6
<i>Two</i> Non-ARTS Electives	6
Total Credits	30

Year 2	Credits
ARTS 110 - (Contemporary Art: Concepts and Terminology)	3
Select <i>four</i> Art courses* from: ARTS 294 - (Printmaking I) ARTS 244 - (Digital Photography I) <i>or</i> ARTS 264 - (Photography I) ARTS 254 - (Fundamentals of Painting I) ARTS 256 - (Beginning Watercolour Painting) ARTS 271 - (Ceramics I) ARTS 284 - (Sculpture I) Any one Independent Studies course	12
<i>* Note: At least one of the choices must be ARTS 271 or ARTS 284.</i>	
Select <i>four</i> Art courses* from: ARTS 245 - (Digital Photography II) <i>or</i> ARTS 265 - (Photography II) ARTS 255 - (Fundamentals of Painting II) ARTS 257 - (Watercolour Painting) ARTS 272 - (Ceramics II) ARTS 285 - (Sculpture II) ARTS 295 - (Printmaking II) Any subsequent Independent Studies course	12
<i>* Note: At least one of the choices must be ARTS 272 or ARTS 285.</i>	
Non-ARTS Elective	3
Total Credits	30

Admission Requirements

- See Art Admission Requirements.

Start Date and Application Deadline

The program starts in September and applications are accepted between the first business day in October and March 31.

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