M.F.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 60 credits

The M.F.A. degree provides artists with the necessary background to compete for state, national and international vacancies. Career opportunities include placement in state and federal arts organizations, galleries, museums, colleges and universities. This degree includes contemporary art world issues, the historic role of the artist and northern art. The M.F.A. degree in visual art is a terminal degree. Study is two-thirds in studio art. The degree culminates in a solo gallery exhibition.

Graduate Program—M.F.A. Degree

Concentrations: Ceramics, Computer Art, Drawing, Native Arts, Painting, Photography, Printmaking, Sculpture

1. Complete the following admission requirements:
   a. Submit a separate portfolio work (about 20 slides or the appropriate equivalent depending on field of study).
   b. Complete a B.F.A. degree from a university other than UAF, or complete one consecutive year of classes from an accredited M.F.A. program other than UAF. In cases where an exceptional portfolio is submitted, students with a B.A. in art, or other undergraduate degree, will be accepted provisionally and with the condition that they make up any deficiencies as determined by their graduate committee. The same requirements are observed with the determination of previous schooling from a university other than UAF.

2. Complete the master's degree requirements (page 170).

3. Complete the following:
   - ART 661—Mentored Teaching in Art..............................................1
   - ART 663—Seminar in Art History ..................................................3
   - ART 690—Current Problems .........................................................3
   - ART 698—MFA Project* (5) or ART 699—MFA Thesis* (5) ..................5
   - Electives in art history, humanities or philosophy** ......................6

4. Complete at least 2 studio areas at the 600-level***...............39

5. Minimum credits required.......................................................60

* Studio with 2 hours oral comprehensive examination

** The 400-level classes in these areas can be taken with additional requirements. Courses may be chosen from the following: ART 624, 625, 663 and 673.

*** Courses may be chosen from the following: ART 601, 607, 611, 613, 619, 672, 684, JRN 605.

Note: Graduate students are required to be enrolled in a mentored teaching section while teaching.

Note: Page numbers refer to the UAF 2004-2005 academic catalog, which can be viewed online at www.uaf.edu/catalog/.