PROGRAM OVERVIEW MA in ART HISTORY



The Graduate Program in Art History is committed to furthering education through critical methods of interpretation and study. The interdisciplinary curriculum provides the intellectual foundation necessary for developing critical judgment as well as the specialized training needed to conduct advanced scholarly develop independent thought as well as thorough knowledge of the field and its critical methods.

The Art History program at the University of Florida offers both the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees. The M.A. is designed for students wishing to pursue the Ph.D. in Art History and for those interested in gallery, museum or other professional positions related to the visual arts. The Ph.D. prepares students for academic and curatorial careers in a range of fields.

Director of Graduate Studies: Art History (advisor)

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Degree Requirements

The SA+AH offers an M.A. in Art History in the following areas:

- Ancient
- Medieval
- Renaissance/Baroque
- Modern and Contemporary
- Non-Western (including African, Asian, Pre-Columbian and Latin American)

The M.A. in Art History requires 36 credit hours including:

- 3 credits of research methods
- 27 credits of graduate courses (15 credits in art history, 12 elective credits, of which 9 credits may be in a supporting discipline)
- 6 credits of thesis research

Students must take courses with a minimum of five SA+AH art historians. At least four of these courses must be graduate seminars and should be taken in the first year. Of the twelve required elective credits, up to nine elective credits may be taken in related areas with the approval of the Director of Graduate Studies for Art History and in consultation with the Chair of the student's Supervisory Committee. Outside courses should relate to the program. For example, those interested in African art may want to take advantage of courses offered through the Center for African Studies. The Registration Form is Appendix H of this document.

Foreign Language Proficiency

Reading proficiency in a foreign language appropriate to the major area of study must be demonstrated before thesis research is begun. This may be demonstrated by passing a departmental language exam or by passing two semesters of graduate reading courses.

The language exams are administered at the beginning of each semester. Students may take language courses other than the graduate reading courses in order to prepare for the exam. Credit for language courses does not count towards degree credits.