# UC SAN DIEGO DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL ARTS

# STUDIO MAJOR

For Students Declared Fall 2016 and Later

Major Code: VA28

The major in studio arts is designed for students who intend to become creative artists or for those who are pursuing a career where a fine arts background is desired. The program addresses painting, drawing, sculpture, performance, installation, media and new genres in a manner that supports cross-disciplinary practices. The curriculum combines hands-on experiences with the development of technical and conceptual skills considered in the context of art history, criticism, theory, and the issues and ideas explored in contemporary art practice. Advanced classes emphasize the intellectual and creative skills necessary for independent production and graduate study.

LOWER DIVISION 6 courses / 24 units
UPPER DIVISION 12 courses / 48 units
TOTAL COURSES REQUIRED 18 courses / 72 units

ALL COURSES TAKEN FOR MAJOR REQUIREMENTS MUST BE TAKEN FOR A **LETTER GRADE**, AND ONLY GRADES OF **C- OR BETTER** WILL BE ACCEPTED. REFER TO COURSE DESCRIPTIONS FOR ENFORCED PREREQUISITES.

◆Indicates Production Course, enrollment in production courses is limited to two per quarter

### FOUNDATION LEVEL (6 courses/24 units)

VIS 80	Introduction to the Studio Major
VIS 22	Formations of Modern Art
VIS 11	Introduction to Visual Arts

### Choose two Art Making courses:

VIS 1	Introduction to Art-Making: 2-Dimensional Practices
VIS 2	Introduction to Art-Making: Motion and Time-Based Art
VIS 3	Introduction to Art-Making: 3-Dimensional Practices
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VIS 41 Design Communication

VIS 60 Introduction to Digital Photography

VIS 70N Introduction to Media

# Choose one History course:

VIS 20	Introduction to Art History

VIS 21A Introduction to the Art of the Americas

VIS 21B Introduction to Asian Art

VIS 84 History of Film

# INTERMEDIATE LEVEL (6 courses/24 units)

## Choose three Group A courses:

VIS 105A◆	Drawing: Representing the Subject
VIS 105D◆	Aesthetics of Chinese Calligraphy
VIS 106A◆	Painting: Image Making
VIS 107A◆	Sculpture: Making the Object

# Choose two Group B courses:

VIS 105B◆	Drawing: Practices and Genre
VIS 106B◆	Painting: Practices and Genre
VIS 107B◆	Sculpture: Practices and Genre
VIS 105E◆	Chinese Calligraphy as Installation

#### Choose one Interdisciplinary course:

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Introduction to Public Culture
Cross-Border Urbanization
Practices in Computing Arts
Time & process Based Digital Media
Electronic Technologies for Art I
Photographic Strategies
Camera Techniques: Analog Futures
Virtual Environments

# **HISTORY AND THEORY (3 courses/12 units)**

#### Choose three from:

Any Upper Division Art History Course VIS 120-129 Any Upper Division Film Studies Course VIS 151-159, 194S

# ADVANCED LEVEL (3 courses/12 units)

### Choose one Art Making course:

VIS 105C◆	Drawing: Portfolio Projects
VIS 106C◆	Painting: Portfolio Projects
VIS 107C◆	Sculpture: Portfolio Projects

#### Choose two Interdisciplinary courses:

VIS 108◆	Advanced Projects in Art
VIS 109◆	Advanced Projects in Media
VIS 110 A-J◆	Advanced: Various Topics
VIS 110 M&N◆	Studio Honors
VIS 130◆	Special Projects in Visual Arts
VIS 131◆	Special Projects in Media
VIS 132◆	Installation Production and Studio
VIS 145B◆	Time & Process Based Digital Media
VIS 147B◆	Electronic Technologies for Art II
VIS 148◆	Visualizing Art Practice
VIS 149◆	Seminar in Contemporary Computer Topics
VIS 167◆	Social Engagement & Photography
VIS 168◆	Pictorialism and Constructed Reality
VIS 185◆	Senior Media Projects
VIS 199◆	Special Studies in Visual Arts

Note: The Studio Honors sequence, VIS 110M and N, count as one course towards the fulfillment of an Advanced Level requirement.