

# SCHOOL OF ART

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The mission of the School of Art is to provide a rigorous, student-centered education that emphasizes risk-taking and exploration. We graduate diverse artists and professionals who use their expertise with insight, enriching culture and the world.

The School of Art's graduate programs are dedicated to the primacy of a professional standard and the transformative power of creativity. We educate leaders in the creative professions to identify, understand, and benefit from the challenges of a rapidly changing world. The School of Art is dedicated to developing creative leadership in a world that requires it.

The School of Art's innovative graduate programs bring together exceptional students who flourish in an environment that encourages autonomy and growth.

An internationally recognized faculty known for its excellence in teaching leads the graduate programs. Faculty members work individually with students and in small seminar classes to maximize their graduate experience.

The School of Art has two parallel objectives that guide every department. One is the emphasis on professional development, where students gain the techniques, skills, methodologies, and vocabulary required for success as productive artists, filmmakers, cultural leaders, educators, and therapists. The second objective—intertwined with the first—recognizes that this technical experience only takes root within a complex cultural context. Therefore, students in the School of Art also develop the critical judgment and historical perspective needed to become creative problem solvers and leaders in their respective professions.

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