School of Arts and Humanities  
Master of Arts in Visual and Performing Arts

Curriculum
The Master of Arts in Visual and Performing Arts degree program is designed to allow graduates to pursue a career in the arts or arts-related fields, or to continue into doctoral study. Students seeking the MA in Visual and Performing Arts may thus elect a professional option or a research option. Students with plans for doctoral study should choose the research option. The research option requires students to demonstrate proficiency in an approved foreign language and to complete a portfolio. Students pursuing the research option for the MA in Visual and Performing Arts may submit a creative project as part of their portfolio.

Visual and Performing Arts is an interdisciplinary program of study, so students take the majority of their coursework in Visual and Performing Arts courses, but most also take two seminars each in History/History of Ideas and Literature.

Career Options
Graduates of the program seek positions such as: artists, performers, teachers, researchers, arts administrators, arts entrepreneurs, arts writers/critics, editors, museum staff, consultants, archivists and other positions in research or professional practice. Career settings may include higher education, non-profits, cultural and historical organizations, publishing houses, government agencies, international development organizations, museums and archives, business/corporate entities and independent consulting.

Degree Program
The MA in Visual and Performing Arts requires the completion of a minimum of 33 semester credit hours. For complete admission and degree requirements, view the Graduate Catalog at catalog.utdallas.edu.

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