



Study Art & Design in San Francisco or Online 24/7!

Founded in 1929, Academy of Art University has steadily grown to become the largest accredited, private art & design school in the nation. The Academy offers more than 30 areas of study where students can fulfill their creative potential, while learning from the finest creative minds working today.

- We offer a hands-on, industry based curriculum that is current with the latest trends and developments in the art and design world.
- Our faculty is comprised of nationally recognized art and design experts who maintain careers on the leading edge of industry trends.
- We provide industry standard facilities with the latest software and equipment, highlighting current technology and industry practices.
- Our industry partners - established and emerging companies, artists, and designers - continually seek to hire, mentor, and collaborate with our students and graduates.
- Our Study Abroad program offers students a unique opportunity to live and study in historic and culturally rich places around the world.

Graduate Degree Programs

- MA - Master of Arts
- MFA - Masters of Fine Art
- M.ARCH - Master of Architecture
- MAT - Master of Arts in Teaching

Undergraduate Degree Programs

- AA - Associate of Arts
- BA - Bachelor of Arts
- BFA - Bachelor of Fine Arts
- BS - Bachelor of Science
- B.ARCH* - Bachelor of Architecture
(*B.ARCH is currently in candidacy status)

Non-Degree Programs

Additional BFA Degrees

Students who have a Bachelors degree in any major may be eligible for a second Bachelors degree (not available for all majors).

ATC - Art Teaching Credential

Graduate level program

Certificate Programs

Continuing Art Education/Personal Enrichment/Teacher Grant

Non-degree program for those students who wish to take classes toward their own personal enrichment and professional goals

Pre-College Art Experience Program

A great way to experience college life and jump start your art and design education. Non-degree, tuition-free program for students still enrolled in high school that would like to explore various fields of art and design while earning college units toward Academy of Art University

Accreditation

Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC)

Academy of Art University online and onsite degree programs are accredited by WSCUC. The following degree programs are not currently offered online: AA, BFA, MA, and MFA in Acting, MA in Architecture, AA in Automotive Restoration, and BS in Game Programming.

National Association of School and Colleges (NASAD)

Our Associate of Arts, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Fine Arts, Master of Arts, and Certificates are accredited by NASAD.

Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)

Our BFA and MFA in Interior Architecture & Design are accredited by the CIDA as accredited professional level programs.

National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)

Our Master of Architecture (M.Arch.) is accredited by NAAB, which is the sole agency authorized to accredit US professional degree programs in architecture.

California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC)

Our Art Teaching Credential Program is accredited by the CTC.



Student Painting by Sung Eun Kim, School of Fine Art

Areas of Study

- Acting*
- Advertising
- Animation & Visual Effects
- Architecture
- Art Education
- Art History
- Art Teaching Credential
- Automotive Restoration*
- Fashion (Costume Design/Fashion Design/Fashion Journalism/Fashion Merchandising/Fashion Marketing/Product Development/Fashion Styling/Visual Merchandising/Footwear and Accessory Design/Knitwear Design/Textile Design)
- Fine Art (sculpture, painting, drawing, & printmaking)
- Game Development
- Game Programming
- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Industrial Design (Transportation & Product Design)
- Interaction & UI/UX Design
- Interior Architecture & Design
- Jewelry & Metal Arts
- Landscape Architecture
- Motion Pictures & Television
- Multimedia Communications
- Music Production & Sound Design for Visual Media
- Photography
- Writing for Film, Television & Digital Media

*Not available Online



Student Design by Jiato Sun
School of Web Design & New Media

Transfer Students

Academy of Art University understands the desire for change and offers quality education with the necessary hands-on training. As a transfer student you will find a unique focus on your transfer needs and will begin cultivating skills for the dream job you've always wanted. For more information about your transfer application and credits please visit academyart.edu/admissions/transfer-students or call 800.544.2787.

Campus

Academy of Art University is located in the heart of San Francisco. Our urban campus encompasses over 40 facilities and inspires our students with its unique blend of architecture, cultural diversity, technology, and topography.

Online Learning

Since 2002, Academy of Art University has helped thousands of online art students from all over the world realize their professional and creative ambitions. Our revolutionary online courses provide the same rigorous education that we offer on campus with greater flexibility. Students can study on their own time, at their own pace. Full or part-time accredited classes are available around the clock.

Facilities

Study in top notch facilities with access to the latest technology. Academy of Art University is one of the best-equipped art and design schools in the nation, using only cutting edge, industry standard equipment and software.

Student Population

Academy of Art University has over 11,000 students, coming from more than 115 different countries, including the United States, Australia, Japan, Korea, Sweden, Thailand, Taiwan, China, India, and the United Kingdom.

Visit www.academyart.edu to learn more about total costs, median student loan debt, potential occupations and other information. Accredited Member WSCUC, NASAD, CIDA (BFA-IAD, MFA-IAD), NAAB (B.ARCH, M.ARCH), CTC (California Teacher Credential).

Free Student Support Services

Academy Resource Center (ARC)

The ARC offers a broad range of services to provide outstanding educational support and training for Academy students and faculty at no additional charge.

Campus Life

Campus Life offers students interactive opportunities to participate in various social activities that promote peer connections and extracurricular enjoyment.

Department of English as a Second Language (ESL)

ESL offers a Writing Lab, Speaking Lab, Multimedia Lab, Online Writing Lab (OWL), Online ESL Support, and ESL Support Teacher. Online students do not need to take TOEFL but English proficiency is required.

Veterans Resource Center (VRC)

The VRC offers up-to-date information on your VA education benefits and other services.

Housing

Campus Housing is guaranteed to all new full-time students. The Academy of Art University offers an array of accommodations located in prime areas of San Francisco.

Housing options include:

First Time Freshmen	Co-ed
All Female	All Male
Under 21	Over 21
Graduate	International

All facilities include:

Wireless Internet	Utilities
24/7 Security	Shuttle Bus Service
Basic Furnishings - bed, desk, lamp, chair/stool, mobile drawer unit	

*Meals are not included in housing costs.

**Meal plans are required for some first-year residence halls.

Alumni Success

Academy graduates have gone on to work for top companies such as:

Apple
Blizzard Entertainment
BMW
Chanel
DreamWorks Animation SKG
Gensler
Google
Laika
Louis Vuitton
LucasArts
Marvel Comics
Netflix
Nike
Pixar Animation Studios
Tesla Motors
& Many more

Please refer to our website for alumni success stories.



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Athletics

Academy of Art University believes in nurturing the whole artist—developing athletic ability along with artistic talent. The Academy is proud to be the only higher arts education institution in the U.S. to have an NCAA athletics program. Recreational intramural sports are also available. Learn more at artuathletics.com



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School of Game Development



Photography by Toby Harbo
School of Motion Pictures & Television



Student Design by Aaron Gould
School of Industrial Design



Student Design by Alyce Tzue
School of Animation & Visual Effects

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