

COMMUNITY ARTS, UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Overview

Community Arts curriculum is focused on art and community engagement, community cultural development, and the pursuit of social and environmental justice by highlighting art practices that integrate collaborative processes, social cooperation and service-learning experiences. You'll accomplish this through arts activity partnerships with community organizations and connecting coursework offered by UWM's Cultures and Communities program.

You'll work closely with the community arts coordinator to design a program of study that inspires you and supports your work through a variety of designated courses.

Faculty and Staff

Our inspirational faculty and staff make sure students feel welcome and empowered to think outside the box and explore all possibilities of making art at UWM. Visit the Peck School of the Arts directory (<https://uwm.edu/arts/directory/>) to meet these artists, explore their biographies and engage with recent work.

Minors, Certificates and Microcredentials

Peck School of the Arts minors, certificates and microcredentials are open to all students who have already earned or are currently seeking a degree. Most certificates are also open to non-degree seeking students.

To be admitted individuals must meet general University admission requirements (<https://catalog.uwm.edu/admission-costs/undergraduate-admission/>). To determine aid eligibility, please review all financial aid requirements (<https://uwm.edu/finances/finances/receiving-financial-aid/eligibility-for-financial-aid/>).

Contact us (<https://uwm.edu/arts/contact/>) to get started and one of our Peck School of the Arts advisors will connect with you about your interests and opportunities.

Undergraduate Advising

Academic advising is a collaborative process that empowers students to realize their maximum educational potential. Students are encouraged to visit the Peck School of the Arts Advising & Student Services page (<https://uwm.edu/arts/students/advising/>) to meet with your advisor prior to each semester's registration period. Advisors provide students with individualized appointments to assist with degree requirements, course selection, campus resources, college success strategies, graduation assessment, academic policies and more.

Credits and Courses

Students enrolling in the Community Arts Certificate Program are required to earn a minimum of 18 credits. The required credits are organized to be taken sequentially, and range from 200-level courses to 400-level courses. Courses counting for the certificate may not be taken on a credit/no credit basis. Students must achieve a grade point average of 2.5 or above in all courses counting toward the certificate. Community Arts Certificate

students will plan and implement a community arts project as part of the certificate capstone requirement.

Code	Title	Credits
Studio Foundation		
Select one of the following:		3
ART 101	Drawing I	
ART 108	2D Studio: Concept, Color and Composition	
ART 109	3D Studio: Form, Idea and Technique	
ART 118	Digital Arts: Culture, Theory, Practice	
ART ED 130	Multicultural Art and Visual Learning in Elementary Education	
Studio Elective		
Students choose one 3-credit studio course in the Department of Art & Design. Art & Design majors must choose a 200-level intro course. Students who are not Art & Design majors must choose an ART 107 course with a different topic than the Studio Foundation course previously selected.		3
Community Arts Core		
XXX 150	Multicultural America ¹	3
ART 306	Introduction to Community Art	3
ART 406	Community Arts II	3
Critical Thinking Core Choice		
Select one of the following:		3
ART 209	Issues in Contemporary Art: (subtitle) ²	
ART 509	Art & Design Seminar: (subtitle) ²	
Total Credits		18

¹ ART 150 recommended.

² Art & Design majors who complete the Certificate in Community Arts must take 9 credits Critical Thinking: ART 209, ART 509 and 3 additional credits in either ART 209 or ART 509. This is because the 3 credits of ART 509 required as part of the BA and BFA degrees do not count towards the Certificate.

Credits earned at other institutions equivalent to courses in the certificate program may be accepted in partial fulfillment of the program requirements, subject to approval by the Certificate Program Committee.

Community Arts Undergraduate Certificate Learning Outcomes

Students who complete the Certificate in Community Arts will be able to:

- Identify and describe artistic practices and artists across cultures.
- Apply technical proficiency in a range of art disciplines, with fluency in at least one medium.
- Implement art practices that integrate collaborative processes and social cooperation.
- Participate in service-learning experiences that involve extensively working directly in the Milwaukee community, and work as artists within grassroots organizations, community institutions, non-profit arts organizations, and educational institutions.
- Design and enact projects which emphasize social engagement, environmental issues, community building, public art, and murals.

Contact

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