



## Department of Art and Design Advising Guide for First-Year Students

This is a list of classes required by the Department of Art and Design for your first year of study as an Art and Design major. You must have completed a portfolio review and been admitted to Department of Art and Design to follow this guide. If you have not yet been admitted, please see the Building a Portfolio for Admission to the Department document.

When you have completed all six of the foundation art courses, your foundation coursework will be reviewed during a process called **The Foundation Review**. This review takes place during the last week of classes in your second semester. **Students MUST be admitted to the program to follow this guide.**

### **Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree (All Emphases) or BS/BA Degree in Art Education**

#### **First Semester**

ART 150 - Foundations: 2-D Design ( <b>must be taken</b> in the first semester)	3 credits
ART 155 - Foundations: Introduction to Drawing I ( <b>must be taken</b> in the first semester)	3 credits
ART 151 - Foundations: 3-D Design <b>OR</b> ART 153, Creative Problem Solving (one of the courses <b>must be taken</b> in the first semester)	3 credits
General Education/Basic Skills (WRT 150 – see below)	3 to 6 credits
Total number of credits =	13 – 16 credits

#### **Second Semester**

ART 152 - Foundations: Color and Design (ART 150 is prerequisite)	3 credits
ART 157 - Foundations: Introduction to Drawing II (ART 155 is prerequisite)	3 credits
ART 151 or 153 (choose course not taken in fall)	3 credits
General Education/Basic Skills (WRT 150 if not completed fall – see below)	3 – 6 credits
Total number of credits =	13 – 16 credits

### **BS/BA Degree in Studio Art**

#### **First Semester**

ART 150 - Foundations: 2-D Design ( <b>must be taken</b> in the first semester)	3 credits
ART 155 - Foundations: Introduction to Drawing I ( <b>must be taken</b> in the first semester)	3 credits
ART 151 - Foundations: 3-D Design (take either fall or winter semester)	3 credits
General Education/Basic Skills (WRT 150 – see below)	3 to 6 credits
Total number of credits =	13 – 16 credits

#### **Second Semester**

ART 152 - Foundations: Color and Design (ART 150 is prerequisite)	3 credits
ART 157 - Foundations: Introduction to Drawing II (ART 155 is prerequisite)	3 credits
ART 151 - Foundations: 3-D Design (take this semester if not completed in the fall)	3 credits
General Education/Basic Skills (WRT 150 if not completed fall – see below)	3 – 6 credits
Total number of credits =	13 – 16 credits

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#### **GENERAL EDUCATION: WRT 150 and the SWS requirement:**

During their first year, students should take WRT 150, a prerequisite for the two Supplemental Writing Skills (SWS) courses required by GVSU. One of the two SWS classes may be in a student's major department. In Art and Design, the program required courses ART 221 and ART 222 (Survey of Art History I and II) are taught with the SWS designation. Students typically take these classes as sophomores and timely completion of WRT 150 offers them greater flexibility with schedules in the second year of the program.