

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS College of Fine and Applied Arts

The core of most of the degree programs in the College of Fine and Applied Arts consists of studio courses that are sequenced, meaning the first course is a prerequisite for the second, which is a prerequisite for the third, etc. The sequences tend to start in the fall semester. Thus, **for most of the degree programs in the College of Fine and Applied Arts, the application for transfer to Illinois should begin during the first semester of college so students may start their sophomore year at Illinois.**

Students are encouraged to contact the school they intend to transfer to as early as possible to map out a course plan. Depending on the community college, students may be able to transfer and finish in 2 + 2 years, while others may work best with a 1 + 3 plan. In all cases, finishing required general education courses before transferring is encouraged. Please visit <http://faa.illinois.edu> to see our list of existing community college articulations.

Course pattern requirements for admission should be completed prior to the desired term of entry. A student admitted prior to completing the pattern must complete the pattern at the University of Illinois, but will likely spend more time on campus to complete their program.

Performing Arts Talent Reviews

Admission to performing arts programs requires talent submissions - audition, portfolio review and/or interview, in addition to completion of the general education courses required of all FAA transfers with an acceptable transfer **GPA of 2.25 (A=4.00)**. Only the BA in Music **does not** require a specific talent submission. Students applying to the BA in Music are expected to clearly articulate their major goals and experience in their essay. **The academic qualifications and artistic qualifications of applicants are considered equally and both may affect placement in core courses in the student's major.**

Visual Art Portfolio Reviews

Successful admission to all Art and Design majors requires an evaluation of artistic talent and experience, which is determined through portfolio reviews, in addition to an evaluation of the candidate's academic qualifications. **The academic qualifications and artistic qualifications of applicants are considered equally and both may affect placement in core courses in the student's major.**

Specific information about auditions, portfolio requirements, and interviews is available from each unit. Contact information for each unit is below.

Architecture, landscape architecture and urban planning **do not** require a talent submission.

General Education Requirements

All FAA students must fulfill the University of Illinois General Education requirements prior to graduation. Courses that satisfy these categories are constantly changing. The current list is maintained on the Internet at: <https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/2017/fall>. The following admission requirement must be completed prior to transfer.

Language Requirements: All transfer applicants should have completed either through the second level (two years) of one language other than English in high school or through the second level (2 semesters) of one language other than English in college prior to the desired term of entry.

It is strongly encouraged that transfer applicants complete the **Language Requirement** for graduation

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from this college prior to the desired term of entry, which is completion through the third level (3 years) in high school or third level (3 semesters) in college of one language other than English. Students majoring in Art History, Musicology and Vocal Performance have additional language requirements for satisfying those degree requirements.

Composition I: Generally, a two-course sequence equivalent to the University of Illinois' RHET 105, Writing and Research or a two-course composition sequence articulated as a UCI 1- - and as a UCII 1- -.

Quantitative Reasoning I: Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning require a specific QR I course equivalent. Students transferring into other majors are free to complete any approved, transferable QR I equivalent course.

Contact information for each degree-granting unit in the College:

Architecture	www.arch.illinois.edu/	217/333-7720
Art and Design	www.art.illinois.edu/	217/333-0855
Dance	www.dance.illinois.edu/	217/333-1010
Landscape Architecture	www.landarch.illinois.edu/	217/333-0176
Music	www.music.illinois.edu/	217/244-7899
Theatre	www.theatre.illinois.edu/	217/333-2371
Urban Planning	www.urban.illinois.edu/	217/333-3890

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Architectural Studies

Website: <http://www.arch.illinois.edu/degrees/bs-arch-studies#section-2>

A five-semester sequence of architectural design is required for this four-year Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies (BSAS) degree program. Consequently, students should plan to apply for admission after completion of one year at a community college. Several Illinois community colleges have a two-year articulated course agreement in architecture (College of DuPage, Harper College, Illinois Central College, Lewis & Clark Community College and Triton College). There is also a five-year pathway program with Parkland College.

Limited facilities necessitate a quota for the admission of transfer students. **A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20 (A=4.00) for transferable courses is usually required to be competitive for admission.** **PLEASE NOTE:** Course pattern requirements for admission in *bold, red italics* should be completed by the desired term of entry. In rare instances, a student may be admitted before the course pattern is complete. The student will still be obligated to finish the pattern at the University of Illinois prior to degree certification.

Sophomore-level transfer admission requires completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the following University of Illinois courses and requirement prior to enrollment:

MATH 220, Calculus

MATH 231, Calculus II or PHYS 101, College Physics: Mech & Heat

***RHET 105, Writing and Research.**¹*

***Language Requirement.**²*

Admission requirements for junior-level transfer:

A student should plan to transfer upon the completion of their freshman year unless they are attending one of the community colleges with two-year articulated course agreements previously listed above. If these courses are not available, junior transfers will most likely need to complete three years of coursework at the University of Illinois.

Completion of equivalent transfer coursework, which satisfies the following University of Illinois' General Education categories³, prior to transfer is **highly recommended**:

Cultural Studies: Non-Western/U.S. Minority Culture(s) – General Education Requirement

Cultural Studies: Western/Comparative Culture(s) – General Education Requirement

Humanities & the Arts – General Education Requirement

Social & Behavioral Sciences – General Education Requirement

Specific degree requirements for Architectural Studies can be found at the following link:

<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/academic-units/arch/#majortext>

¹ At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

² Please refer to Page 1 for more information about the **Language Requirement** for transfer admission and graduation.

³ Information about the University of Illinois' General Education requirements is located at:

<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/2017/fall>

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Art and Design Majors

Art Education; Art History; Crafts: Metal; Graphic Design; Industrial Design; New Media; Painting; Photography; and Sculpture

Art students at the University of Illinois may apply to Art Foundations (considered Art Undecided) or directly into their selected major (Art Education, Art History, Graphic Design, Industrial Design, Metal, New Media, Painting, Photography or Sculpture). Students transferring to the University of Illinois for one of the above art majors will be evaluated for entry to both the Art Foundation program and to a specific major. Those who have completed most of the coursework of the Art Foundation program may be eligible for direct entry to one of the majors. Those who are not ready for entry to a major (due to missing course pattern requirements, or because the portfolio indicates the student is not yet ready for entry to a major) will be considered for entry to Art Foundation. **A portfolio is required for entry into any art program, including Art Foundation**, and may affect placement in courses required for the degree.

Application to any art major after the first year is highly recommended because the student will be in sequenced courses for three additional years to complete their BFA. The School of Art + Design currently has a 2+2 pathway program in place with Parkland College for the following programs – Art Education, History of Art, Graphic Design, Crafts: Metal, New Media, Painting, Photography and Sculpture.

Suggested requirements for admission are a GPA of 3.00 or higher (A=4.00) and a successful portfolio.

Detailed information about portfolio contents and submission guidelines is available at: <http://www.art.illinois.edu/index.php/prospective/academics/admissions/transfer-admissions> OR by contacting the School of Art + Design (217- 333-6632).

Additional information for admission to Art Education is on page 5.

The courses listed below parallel the Art Foundation curriculum in the School of Art + Design at the University of Illinois. The course pattern and General Education requirements for transfer admission in ***bold, red italics*** should be completed **prior** to the desired term of entry.

RHET 105, Principles of Composition¹, Language Requirement², Quantitative Reasoning I³ – (General Education Requirement)

Applicants who *have not* completed a course in each of the required studio categories listed below will be considered for entry to the Art Foundation program. Additionally, an Art History survey class, comparable to University of Illinois' course **ARTH 110 Introduction to the History of Art and Visual Cultures** is required.

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¹ At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

² Please refer to Page 1 for more information about the **Language Requirement** for transfer admission and graduation. **Art History** majors will be required to complete additional language study, preferably in French or German, prior to graduation.

³ On <https://www.transferology.com>, coursework that satisfies the University of Illinois' Quantitative Reasoning I General Education requirement is often listed as **UQI 1--**.

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Courses listed below serve as examples of the types of courses that would fulfill each of the 4 categories⁴:

2D	3D	4D	Drawing
ARTD 151 — Introduction to Graphic Design	ARTD 101 — Introduction to Industrial Design	ARTS 241 — Image Practice	ARTF 102 — Observational Drawing
ARTS 251 — Beginning Painting	ARTS 201 — Crafts Design	ARTS 243 — Times Arts I	ARTF 104 — Visualization Drawing
ARTD 160 — The Image World	ARTS 280 — Beginning Sculpture	ARTS 244 — Interaction I	ARTF 106 — Expressive Drawing
ARTS 205 — Introduction to Printmaking			

Additional requirements for Art Education Transfers

Minimum requirements for admission are a GPA of **3.00** or higher (**A=4.00**), a portfolio and successful completion of the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP), previously known as the Test of Basic Skills. Effective July 2012, the Illinois State Board of Education determined the ACT Plus Writing/SAT scores can be used in lieu of a passing score on the Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP).

For details, please see: http://cote.illinois.edu/certification/documents/act_procedures_for_admission.pdf.

Information on how to register for the test is available at www.icts.nesinc.com. **Transfer applicants should register for a test date at least one semester in advance of their University of Illinois enrollment** and ask that the score be reported to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. **Your application is incomplete without a passing score on this test.** Continuation in the licensure track is dependent on passing a criminal background check and blood-borne pathogens training. These must be completed the first semester on campus.

Questions regarding this program should be addressed to the contact person listed below at the bottom of this page.

⁴ Transfer credit for all art skills for application toward the degree will be subject to portfolio review. Art course transfer credit (for accreditation) requires 6 contact hours plus 3 hours of outside work per week for 16 weeks for studio art classes with 3 credit hours.

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Art Foundation

Undecided majors who have not completed the recommended sequence of courses for admission directly to an art major (**See Page 3**) should apply for admission to the Art Foundation program, which includes courses in drawing, 2D, 3D and 4D practices. Undecided majors will declare their Art + Design major March 1 of their first year of study. Students admitted to the Art Foundation program should anticipate an additional 8 semesters of study in sequenced courses to complete the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts.

A **portfolio review** is **required** for admission to the Art Foundation program.

Suggested requirements for admission are a GPA of 3.00 or higher (A=4.00) and a successful portfolio review.

PLEASE NOTE: Course pattern requirements for admission in *bold, red italics* should be completed by the desired term of entry. In rare instances, a student may be admitted before the course pattern is complete. The student will still be obligated to finish the pattern at the University of Illinois prior to degree certification.

Sophomore-level transfer admission requires completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the following University of Illinois course and requirements:

RHET 105, Writing and Research¹

Language Requirement²

Quantitative Reasoning I³ – General Education Requirement

Completion of equivalent transfer coursework, which satisfies the following University of Illinois' General Education⁴ categories, prior to transfer is **highly recommended**:

Cultural Studies: Western/Comparative Culture(s) – (General Education Requirement)

Natural Sciences & Technology – (General Education Requirement)

Social & Behavioral Sciences – (General Education Requirement)

¹ At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

² Please refer to Page 1 for more information about the **Language Requirement** for transfer admission and graduation.

³ On <https://www.transferology.com>, coursework that satisfies the University of Illinois' Quantitative Reasoning I General Education requirement is often listed as **UQI 1- -**.

⁴ Information about the University of Illinois' General Education requirements is located at:

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Dance

Application after the first year is **highly recommended** because the student will be in sequenced courses for three additional years to complete the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance. The University of Illinois' Dance curricula sequences begin in the fall semester; consequently, transfers are strongly encouraged to apply for fall enrollment. Dance does currently have a 2+2 pathway program with Parkland College. An audition is required for admission.

Requirements for admission are a GPA of 2.25 (3.00 or higher - Preferred) (A=4.00) and completion of an audition.

Audition requirements for Dance may be found here - <http://dance.illinois.edu/prospective-students/bfa/apply>

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Landscape Architecture

Landscape Architecture is a 4-plus-year program of study: 4 years of study, plus a required summer internship.

A cumulative GPA of **2.50 (A=4.00)** for transferable courses is usually required to be competitive for admission.

PLEASE NOTE: Course pattern requirements for admission in *bold, red italics* should be completed by the desired term of entry. In rare instances, a student may be admitted before the course pattern is complete. The student will still be obligated to finish the pattern at the University of Illinois prior to degree certification.

Students are **advised** to transfer after one year of study at a regionally accredited, post-secondary institution because of the specific course structure of this program of study.

Sophomore-level transfer admission requires completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the following University of Illinois courses and requirement:

***MATH 112, Algebra and MATH 114, Trigonometry
or MATH 115, Preparation for Calculus or a higher level Mathematics course
RHET 105, Writing and Research.¹
Language Requirement.²***

Prior completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the courses listed below in **bold** is **highly recommended**:

**GEOG 103, Earth's Physical Systems, GEOL 100, Planet Earth or GEOL 103, Planet Earth (QR II) or IB 105, Environmental Biology
Quantitative Reasoning I** – (General Education Requirement)

¹ At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

² Please refer to Page 1 for more information about the **Language Requirement** for transfer admission and graduation.

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Music Majors
**Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Music (BA); includes concentrations in Music
Technology, Musicology, Composition, or Music+**

**Bachelor of Music (BM) with a major in Jazz Performance; Musicology; Composition-
Theory, Open Studies, Instrumental Performance or Vocal Performance**

The information below applies to **all** music majors at the University of Illinois. Additional information for Music Education majors is listed on page **10**.

Application after the first year is **highly recommended** because the student will be in sequenced courses for three additional years to complete the degree of Bachelor of Music or Bachelor of Music Education at the University of Illinois. The University of Illinois' Music curricula sequences begin in the fall semester; consequently, transfers are strongly recommended for fall enrollment. Transfer students interested in the spring term should show transcript history of music theory, aural skills and music history.

Minimum requirements for admission are a GPA of 2.25 (3.00 or higher - Music Education) (A=4.00) and completion of the supplemental Music application, which may include a successful audition, interview and/or placement exam.

Transfer credit for all music skills toward any music degree will be subject to audition or placement exam.

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Sophomore-level transfer admission requires completion of equivalent transfer coursework to the following University of Illinois course and requirements:

*General Education Requirement*¹

*RHET 105, Writing and Research*²

*Language Requirement*³ – (General Education Requirement)

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¹ Completion of at least one transfer course that satisfies one of the following General Education requirements from the following categories: Natural Science and Technology, Quantitative Reasoning I or Social and Behavioral Science.

² At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

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Admission requirements for Junior-level transfer:

Students should plan to transfer upon the completion of their freshman year, since transfer students will need to complete three years of coursework at the University of Illinois for graduation. Completion of similar coursework or transfer equivalents to the following University of Illinois courses is recommended prior to transfer:

- Ensembles.⁴
- Major Instrument or Voice (not necessary for the BA in Music)⁴
- MUS 101, Music Theory and Practice I⁴
- MUS 102, Music Theory and Practice II⁴
- MUS 107, Musicianship I⁴
- MUS 108, Musicianship II⁴
- MUS 110, Intro Art Mus: Int'l Perspect
- MUS 172, Grp Instr Pno for Mus Maj I⁴
- MUS 173, Grp Instr Pno for Mus Maj II⁴

It is recommended that **at least four additional General Education requirements be completed (beyond those listed in the Sophomore-level section) prior to transfer to Illinois. Students will earn credit for Humanities and Arts upon completion of MUS 313 and MUS 314 at Illinois. Current General Education requirements can be found at the web link: <https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/2017/fall>**

**Additional Requirements for Music Education (BME) Transfers
Concentrations: Instrumental, Choral, General, or Music Technology**

Minimum requirements for admission are a GPA of 3.00 or higher (A=4.00), a successful interview (a phone interview may be arranged for out-of-state students), an audition, and successful completion of the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP), previously known as the Test of Basic Skills. Effective July 2012, the Illinois State Board of Education determined the ACT Plus Writing/SAT scores can be used in lieu of a passing score on the Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP).

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Information on how to register for the test is available at www.icts.nesinc.com. **Transfer applicants should register for a test date at least one semester in advance of their University of Illinois enrollment** and ask that the score be reported to the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. **Your application is incomplete without a passing score on this test.** Continuation in the licensure track is dependent on passing a criminal background check and blood-borne pathogens training. These must be completed the first semester on campus.

In addition to the coursework recommended for all Music majors, Music Education transfers are strongly advised to complete a transfer course equivalent to **PSYC 100, Intro Psych**.⁵

Questions regarding this program should be addressed to the contact person listed below at the bottom of this page.

⁴ Transfer credit for all music skills toward the degree will be subject to audition or placement exam.

⁵ PSYC 100, Intro Psych, will count as one of two required courses for the Social and Behavioral Sciences requirement.

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Theatre

Application after the first year is **highly recommended** because the student will be in sequenced courses for three additional years to complete the degree of Bachelor of Fine Arts in Theatre. The University of Illinois' Theatre curricula sequences begin in the fall semester; consequently, transfers are encouraged to apply for fall enrollment.

Requirements for admission are a GPA of 2.25 (3.00 or higher - Preferred) (A=4.00) and completion of an audition, portfolio or interview.

Talent requirements for the Theatre major may be found here: https://theatre.illinois.edu/?page_id=4736

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Urban Planning

A GPA of 2.75 (A=4.00) is recommended for admission. However, competition for admission to this major frequently requires a GPA of **3.00 or higher (A=4.00)**.

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Sophomore-level transfer admission requires progress toward humanities general education requirements and cultural studies education requirements. In addition, completion of transfer equivalent coursework to the following University of Illinois requirements:

RHET 105, Writing and Research.¹

Language Requirement.²

Junior-level transfer applicants are recommended to have completed transfer equivalent courses to the following University of Illinois courses and requirements:

ECON 102, Microeconomic Principles

SOC 100, Introduction to Sociology **OR ONE OF:** AAS 100, Intro Asian American Studies; AFRO 100, Intro to African American St; AIS 102, Contemp Issues in Ind Country; GEOG 101, Global Development & Environment; GEOG 104, Social and Cultural Geography; LLS 100, Intro Latina/Latino Studies

STAT 100, Statistics

Humanities General Education Requirements

Cultural Studies General Education Requirements

Natural Sciences and Technology (at least one or both requirements)

Language Requirement²

¹ At most institutions, the equivalent requires a two-course English composition sequence.

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