

HONORS in Visual Arts

Prerequisites

- Student must complete *Visual Literacy, Drawing* and three additional courses in their area of interest before their 12th-grade year.
- One of the following is also required, depending on a student’s area of interest: *Mythology & Literature, Creative Writing, Human Anatomy & Physiology* or *Art History*.
- Extracurricular expectations include the exhibition of artwork, participation in artist residency and museum experiences, and active support of the exhibitions in the Crisp Visual Arts Center Galleries.
- HONORS candidates must earn induction into the Fine Arts Honors Society by the end of their Junior/2nd Class year.

Honors Seminar

- The culminating Visual Arts experience is the *Honors Portfolio Seminar*, which meets three-times weekly for four terms.

Year of Study	Course Structure		
Pre-requisite	Visual Literacy		
Declared Focus	2-D Studio	3-D Studio	Photography
10 th Grade Courses	<i>Painting</i> <i>Drawing</i>	<i>Ceramics</i> <i>Drawing</i> <i>Sculpture</i>	<i>Basic B&W</i> <i>Drawing</i>
11 th Grade Courses	<i>Advanced Drawing</i> <i>Advanced Painting</i>	<i>Advanced Ceramics</i> <i>Equine Sculpture</i>	<i>Advanced B&W</i> <i>Digital Photography</i> <i>Videography</i>
12 th Grade Courses	<i>Honors Portfolio Seminar</i> (and one of the following courses below) <i>Humanities: Mythology and Literature or Creative Writing</i> <i>Science: Human Anatomy & Physiology</i> <i>Fine Arts: Art History</i>		

Honors Project

Though it is recognized that interested students will pursue course offerings leading to a concentration in Visual Arts as early as their 9th grade year, students interested in graduating with Honors in Visual Arts will apply for acceptance to the Honors in Visual Arts program in the spring of the Junior/2nd Class year. As a part of the process, applicants will submit a portfolio of artwork and a recommendation from one Visual Art Teacher before scheduling a meeting with the designated Honors in Visual Arts committee to confirm their viability as an Honors in Visual Arts candidate. Honors candidates are expected to maintain practice of their art form during the summer before their Senior/1st Class year and are encouraged to include summer study at a college or conservatory level as a part of this.

During the Senior/1st class year, Honors in Visual Art candidates are expected to work consistently both in and outside the classroom and participate in group critiques, portfolio assessments, and exhibitions. Honors will be awarded for the successful preparation and installation of an Honors in Visual Art Exhibition (in April or May) selected from a portfolio of approximately 30 outstanding works of art completed during the student's time at Culver. Concentration in Visual Arts will be awarded for completion of all course work and portfolio submission minus the culminating exhibition requirement.