

Department of Art + Art History

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MISSION

We believe in the transformative power of art. The Art + Art History Department at Florida International University is devoted to the study, creation, and interpretation of art as an ever-evolving discipline. We engage students in social, historical, and interdisciplinary approaches to develop sound methodologies for making and understanding visual culture. We esteem the free and divergent exchange of ideas to fostering discovery of new perspectives and emphasize that we practice within a global citizenry. We nurture each individual's distinctive and idiosyncratic approach to inquiry, promoting experimentation and play to foster ingenuity and innovation, and empowering emerging professionals to contribute to the present and future of arts discourse.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Students

811 Students

779 Undergraduate	2% Asian*
32 Graduate	10% Black or African-American*
	76% Hispanic*
	3% Nonresident Alien*
	2% Two or More Races*
	7% White*

Faculty

50 Faculty

18 Full-Time	2% Asian*
32 Adjunct	6% Black or African-American*
4 Administrative	38% Hispanic/Latino*
9 Temporary	8% Two or More Races*
	32% White*

*self-reported

DEGREE PROGRAMS

Undergraduate Level

- Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Art
- Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Digital Arts
 - Graphic Design Track & Animation Track
- Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Art History
- Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Art
- Bachelor of Science (BS) in Art Education
- Undergraduate Certificate (UC) in Portrait and Figurative Art

Graduate Level

- Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Visual Arts
- Master of Arts (MA) in Teaching: Art Education
- Master of Science (MS) in Art Education -*Accelerated*
- Graduate Certificate (GC) in Portrait and Figurative Art
- Graduate Certificate (GC) in Museum Studies

8,087 degrees conferred **since 1973.**

HIGHLIGHTS

Accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design
Member of the National Portfolio Day Association

Dynamic urban location with easy access to leading international art fairs, world-class art collections, museums and galleries affording exhibition and internship opportunities and international engagement

Gallery exhibitions in prime locations in Wynwood Art District, Design District, Little Haiti, Lincoln Road – Miami Beach, including exhibits of MFA, BFA, alumni and faculty art

Artist Residencies and substantial grant opportunities for artists such as South Florida Cultural Consortium grants, Ellies, and Knight Arts Challenge

Innovative Art and Technology Facilities: MBUS Innovation Lab, Ratcliffe, iSTAR, Robotics and Digital Fabrication Lab

VISION

We embrace the potential of our people, place, and purpose as we engage the vibrant urban art community of South Florida and its global connections to cultivate a resilient creative economy and shape our future.

RANKINGS

#77+ Arts & Humanities. Times Higher Education | World University Rankings, US Public; **#501+** World (2022)

#48-52 Arts & Humanities. QS | World University Rankings, Public Universities, North America **#451-500** World (2022)

TOP10 Best Colleges + Universities Most Popular. Visual + Performing Arts **TOP5%** Fine + Studio Arts (2021)

#119 Best Fine Arts Programs. US News + World Report (2021)

SCHOLARSHIP & CREATIVE ACTIVITY

Award-winning faculty:

- New Times Best of Miami, Best Curator, Gean Moreno, 2024
- Museum of Art and Design (MOAD) Grant, Thomas Scicluna, 2024
- Artspace San Antonio International Residency, Sandra Ramos and Thomas Scicluna, 2023
- South Florida Cultural Consortium Award, Thomas Scicluna, 2023
- Oolite Arts, The Ellies Creative Award, Jennifer Printz, 2023
- L'Air Arts Residency, Paris, FRANCE, Jennifer Printz, 2023
- Miami International Airport Artist Award (MIA), Sandra Ramos, 2023
- Oolite Arts, The Ellies Creative Award, Jacek Kolasinski, 2022
- South Florida Cultural Consortium Award, Carrington Ware, 2022
- South Dade Corridor National Call to Artists Commission, Art in Public Places Miami-Dade County, Department of Cultural Affairs, Thomas Scicluna, 2022
- FIU, Top Scholar Award in Research, Dr. Lidu Yi, 2020

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

MIAMI ART WEEK

Faculty, student, and alumni work is annually showcased at Art Basel, Art Miami and other prestigious international art and design fairs that bring the artworld together with representation from over 200 leading galleries and more than 4,000 artists from five continents.

ARTS@FIU

Partnerships with the University's three accredited museums; the Patricia and Phillip Frost Art Museum, The Wolfsonian-FIU, and the FIU Jewish Museum of Florida.

MIAMI BEACH VISUAL ARTS GALLERY

Student-run visual arts gallery on Washington Street serving as an experiential learning hub for students to curate, exhibit, and sell their artwork.

RATCLIFFE ART + DESIGN INCUBATOR

Social entrepreneurship and innovation hub for artists and designers. The incubator's one to two-year residency provides Ratcliffe fellows with essential tools to turn their ideas into profitable businesses.