What Can I Do With This Ohio State Major?

Bachelor of Arts
History of Art
College of Arts and Sciences

The History of Art major explores the historical significance of the world’s greatest achievements in artistic production from pre-historic times to the present moment. Students learn to assess works of art in terms of their formal logic and aesthetic value as well as to comprehend art’s broader cultural and ideological import. Although the History of Art major at OSU is designed to familiarize students with a broad array of historically and geographically diverse works of art in a range of media (painting, sculpture, architecture, prints, photography, video and film), the program also allows for concentrated study in particular areas of interest. Students are thereby prepared to undertake post-graduate work in the history of art and related disciplines.

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Management and Industry
Artistic Director
Museum/Gallery Director
Advertising Professional
Curator
Archives Manager
Art Appraiser/Art Dealer
Art/Intellectual Property Lawyer
Auction House Professional
Travel Professional

Communication and Media
Art/Film Consultant
Art/Film Critic
Publisher or Editor
Marketing/Advertising Agent
Not-for-Profit Professional

Science and Technology
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Education
Professor
Librarian
Museum Educator
Visual Resources Curator
Teacher K-12

Government/Politics
Arts Policy Analyst
Lobbyist

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.

# Graduate degree(s) required

Transferable Skills:
The program provides students with foundational skills that are essential in an ever-changing world in which employers are seeking those who can be taught to meet new and evolving challenges. In an environment in which visual forms play an increasingly important role in communication, an understanding of how images construct meaning and evoke responses is a critical asset.

Visual Literacy
Analytical Skills
Critical Thinking
Writing Skills
Research Skills
Attention to Detail
Language Proficiency
Critical Reading
Social Awareness
Creativity/Imagination

Public Speaking
Historical Awareness
Cross-Cultural Understanding
Editing
Articulating Ideas

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:
http://careerconnection.osu.edu/posts/documents/transferable-and-grad-skills.doc

Professional Links:
History of Art Undergraduate Society: http://history-of-art.osu.edu/haus
College Art Association: http://www.collegeart.org
Midwest Art History Society: http://www.hahsonline.org
Society of Architectural Historians: http://www.sah.org
Association of Historians of American Art: http://www.ahaaonline.org/

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