

FOUR-YEAR STUDENT DEGREE PLAN 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Degree:	Bachelor of Fine Arts	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Photography	Credits required in major:	72
Concentration:		Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:	8

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTS 105 3D: Objects + Space	3	ARTS 107 4D: Time + Action	3
ARTS 106 2D: Color + Design	3	ARTS 110 Drawing	3
PHOT 101 Photography: Camera + Vision	3	PHOT 102 Photography: Color + Print	3
CCCX 1** First Semester Experience (Columbia Experience)	3	Columbia Core Requirement (Communication)	3
ENGL 111 Foundations of 21st Century Writing (Communication)		Columbia Core Requirement	3
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)		4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTH 110 Visual Arts Survey: Prehistoric to 1800	3	ARTH 111 Visual Arts Survey: 1800 to Present	3
PHOT 202 Image Editing and Printing	3	ARTS 203 Visual Arts Practices	3
PHOT 205 Studio Lighting Fundamentals	3	PHOT 209 Advanced Studio Practice	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	15
PHOT 360 Documentary and the Contemporary Condition	3	PHOT 252 History of Photography: 1940 to the Present	3
Major Elective	3	Major Elective	3
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Columbia Core Requirement	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
7th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	8th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTS 466 Professional Practices	3	ARTH 310 Contemporary Art: 1980 to the Present	3
Major Elective	3	ARTS 467 Exhibition Practices	3
Major Elective	3	PHOT 401 Senior Seminar	3
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Columbia Core Requirement	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3

Notes on the Four-Year Student Degree Plan:

This degree plan is a suggested sequence. Students should consult their advisor to create an individual plan.

All students are required to complete a minimum of 30 credits in Columbia Core Requirements.

Major Electives are required courses chosen from a list in the course catalog.

College-Wide Electives are courses not counted toward the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All undergraduates must complete 6 credits of DEI coursework and 9 credits of advanced (200-level or higher) Columbia Core courses. Students are encouraged to declare a Minor to fulfill College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status is 12+ credits, but tuition covers 12–18. Students are encouraged to take 15–16 credits per semester to stay on track for graduation and maximize value.



TRANSFER STUDENT DEGREE PLAN 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Degree:	Bachelor of Fine Arts	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Photography	Credits required in major:	72
Concentration:		Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:	6

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours		Total Semester Credit Hours	12
ARTS 105 3D: Objects + Space		ARTH 111 Visual Arts Survey: 1800 to the Present	3
ARTS 106 2D: Color + Design	3	ARTS 107 4D: Time + Action	3
ARTS 110 Drawing	3	ARTS 203 Visual Arts Practices	3
PHOT 101 Photography: Camera + Vision	3	PHOT 102 Photography: Color + Print	3
Columbia Experience (200 or 300 Level CCCX Course)	3		
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	12	Total Semester Credit Hours	12
ARTH 110 Visual Arts Survey: Prehistoric to 1800	3	ARTH 310 Contemporary Art: 1980 to the Present	3
PHOT 202 Image Editing and Printing	3	PHOT 209 Advanced Studio Practice	3
PHOT 205 Studio Lighting Fundamentals	3	PHOT 252 History of Photography: 1940 to the Present	3
PHOT 360 Documentary and the Contemporary Condition	3	Major Elective	3
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	12	Total Semester Credit Hours	12
ARTS 466 Professional Practices	3	ARTS 467 Exhibition Practices	3
Major Elective	3	PHOT 401 Senior Seminar	3
Major Elective	3	Major Elective	3
Major Elective	3	Major Elective	3
7th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	8th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	0	Total Semester Credit Hours	0

Notes on the Transfer Student Degree Plan:

This plan assumes at least 60 transfer credits and completion of Columbia Core requirements. DEI and Columbia Experience must be completed at Columbia and cannot be fulfilled with transfer credits.

This degree plan is a suggested sequence. Students should consult their advisor to create an individual plan.

All students are required to complete a minimum of 30 credits in Columbia Core Requirements.

Major Electives are required courses chosen from a list in the course catalog.

College-Wide Electives are courses not counted toward the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All undergraduates must complete 6 credits of DEI coursework and 9 credits of advanced (200-level or higher) Columbia Core courses.

Students are encouraged to declare a Minor to fulfill College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status is 12+ credits, but tuition covers 12–18. Students are encouraged to take 15–16 credits per semester to stay on track for graduation and maximize value.