

Art History Major

Total Major hours: 36 Suggested hours per semester: 14-16

Major Academic Plan (MAP) for Catalog Year 2025-2026

The catalog is the final authority on CATC and major requirements; this is intended as a tool for planning purposes. Student course sequencing may vary depending on course offerings and other variables.

Fall Semester 1	Spring Semester 1	Summer 1
ARTH 311: History of Art & Architecture I ^{F,1,5} , or ART History Elective ⁴ CORE 101: First Year Seminar CORE 131: H.H. Flourishing (1)	ARTH 312: History of Art & Architecture II S,1 First-Year CATC Options Language Core Competency Thematic Core Course	Consider study, internship, or research options — Wheaton In summer program, WIN (HoneyRock), Wheaton in the Black Hills, non-major internship, summer research
First-Year CATC options- COMM 101: Oral Comm (2) FINGW 103: First-Year Writing Language Core Competency or	ARCH 211: Old Testament ²	summer research
Thematic Core Courses		
Fall Semester 2	Spring Semester 2	Summer 2
ARTH 216, PHIL 216 or PHIL 217: Philosophy of Art (2-4) ARTH 311: History of Art & Architecture I ^{F,1,5} , if not complete	ARTH 385: Medieval & Byzantine Art*5,1,5 OR ARTH 395: Renaissance & Reformation Art*5,1	Consider study, internship, or research options. Wheaton's Archeology program is
Thematic Core or Core Competency	Thematic Core Course BITH 315: Christian Thought* Advanced Integrative Seminar?*	recommended
Courses (4-8) ARCH 213: New Testament ²		
Fall Semester 3	Spring Semester 3	Summer 3
Art History Elective ⁴ Consider semester off campus or	ARTH 395: Renaissance & Reformation Art ^{#5,1,5} Or ARTH 385: Medieval & Byzantine Art ^{#5,1}	Consider study, internship, or research options.
abroad – Wheaton in Jerusalem, Wheaton in Chicago, etc. Consult with GPS ³	Art History Electives ⁴	Wheaton's Archeology program is recommended
Advanced Integrative Seminar?*	Advanced Integrative Seminar?*	

Fall 4 Semester	Spring Semester 4	Summer 4
Art History Elective ⁴	Studio Art Course (3) or ARTH 494: Art History Capstone [#] (2) Art History Elective ⁴	
Complete CATC Coursework	Complete CATC Coursework	

Notes or Special Guidance for Majors:

- ¹ Courses that meet the CATC Thematic Core tags (a maximum of 3 tags can meet both Thematic Core and major requirements): ARTH 311 (GP, HP), ARTH 312 (DUS, VPAV) ARTH 385 (HP, VPAV) ARTH 395 (HP, VPAV). Courses that meet the 16 hours of Art History electives may also meet CATC Thematic Core.
- ² Fulfilling Shared Core Bible requirements with ARCH 211 or ARCH 213 is recommended but not required.
- ³ These programs are not required for the major; however, this semester indicates a good time to participate in these programs.
- ⁴ Select 16 credits of courses at the 200-level of higher from ARCH, ART, BIOL, BITH (except CATC requirements), CFM, CHEM, COMM, ENVR, HIST, LIT, MATH, MUSC, PHIL, PSYC, RELI, SOC, or URBN prefixes (courses from beyond these departments will be considered in consultation with your faculty advisor).
- ⁵ Students studying abroad can substitute ARTH 311 for GPS 403 and ARTH 385 for GPS 403.
- Up to 16 credits can apply to other majors while also applying to the art history major. This makes double majoring especially suitable for an art history major, and it is highly encouraged. Popular options include English, Philosophy and Biblical and Theological Studies. See the Wheaton College Catalog for policies related to double-counting credit between types of curriculum.
- -A reading knowledge of two foreign languages is recommended for students who anticipate graduate study.

^{*}Course has prerequisite

^F Fall only course

^S Spring only course

[#]Offered every other year