Overview

The Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) is a 48 UOC (one year equivalent) advanced undergraduate degree for high achieving students. The program is designed for those who have completed an undergraduate degree in Fine Arts (or cognate area), and wish to extend their critical and creative skills in contemporary art contexts. The BFA (Hons) enables students to advance their knowledge and understanding of artistic practice by developing a significant practice-led research project. Supported by coursework in art theory and professional practice, the program supports students to gain an in-depth understanding of the relationship between theory and practice in contemporary art contexts. By doing so, this program can provide pathways to higher degree research programs such as an MFA or PhD, as well as a diverse array of professional and career outcomes in the arts and cultural sectors.
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Learning Outcomes

1. Critically evaluate contemporary art practice within complex social, political, cultural, historical, and environmental contexts.

Leaders  Professionals  Scholars

2. Contribute to contemporary art and culture through rigorous and sustained projects that demonstrate an ethical responsiveness to diverse local and global perspectives.

Global Citizens  Professionals

3. Conduct rigorous and sustained independent research to develop advanced knowledge in a contemporary art context.

Scholars  Leaders

4. Evaluate the specialised histories, theories, and principles that inform contemporary art practice and discourse.

Leaders  Scholars

5. Work independently and collaboratively to develop and communicate advanced artistic ideas in creative, scholarly, and professional contexts.

Professionals  Leaders

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
**Program Structure**

Students must complete 48 UOC as a standalone program.

**Core Courses**

Students must take 48 UOC of the following courses;

Students must take DART4102 Fine Arts Honours Research Project 2 (12 UOC) twice a year for a total of 24 UOC.

- **ADAD4000** | 6 UOC  
  Professional Experience Project A

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- **DART4101** | 12 UOC  
  Fine Arts Honours Research Project 1

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- **DART4102** | 12 UOC  
  Fine Arts Honours Research Project 2

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- **DART4300** | 6 UOC  
  Contemporary Art Theories and Methods

**Sample Programs**

To access sample program(s), please visit:

[Sample Program Schema](#)

**Enrolment Disclaimer**

Unless advised otherwise by your program authority, you should follow the rules for the handbook for the year you commenced your program. You are also responsible for ensuring you enrol in courses according to your program requirements. myUNSW enrolment checks that you have met enrolment requirements such as pre-requisites for individual courses but not that a course will count towards your program requirements.
Related Programs

Master of Art - MArt
9314 Art

Faculty: Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington
Units of Credit: 96
Typical Duration: 2 Years

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Master of Curating and Cultural Leadership - MCCL
9318 Curating and Cultural Leadership

Faculty: Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington
Units of Credit: 96
Typical Duration: 2 Years

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Admission Requirements

Special Admission Requirements

Additional selection criteria for admission to this program:

- Other

Students must have completed the UNSW Bachelor of Fine Arts or other cognate recognised Level 7 qualification. Entry to Honours requires a WAM of 70 or higher (or equivalent) in the relevant Level 7 qualification prior to entry. Entry is subject to resources and the approval of the Deputy Head of School, Art.

For more information about admission requirements for various UNSW programs, visit the following website(s):

Domestic Students
International Student
Program Requirements

Progression Requirements

Progression rules are in accordance with university policy.

For more information on university policy on progression requirements please visit Academic Progression.
Pathways

Post Graduate

Doctor of Philosophy - PhD
1292 PhD Art, Design and Media

Faculty: Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington
Units of Credit: 144
Typical Duration: 3 to 4 Years

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Master of Fine Arts - MFA
2245 Fine Arts

Faculty: Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington
Units of Credit: 96
Typical Duration: 2 Years

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Master of Philosophy - MPhil
2267 MPhil Art, Design and Media

Faculty: Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington
Units of Credit: 72
Typical Duration: 1.7 Years

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Master of Curating and Cultural Leadership - MCCL
9318 Curating and Cultural Leadership

Faculty: Faculty of Art & Design
Campus: Paddington
Units of Credit: 96
Typical Duration: 2 Years

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Professional Outcomes

Career Opportunities

Arts Professionals, Art Teacher (Private Tuition), Artistic Director, Arts and Media Professionals, Artistic Directors, and Media Producers and Presenters, Gallery, Library and Museum Technicians, Gallery, Museum and Tour Guides, Gallery or Museum Curator, Gallery or Museum Guide, Gallery or Museum Technician, Production Managers, Photographer, Video Producer, Production Assistant (Film, Television, Radio or Stage)
Recognition of Achievement

University Medal

The University Medal is awarded to recognise outstanding academic performance by a bachelor degree student in line with the University Medal Policy and University Medal Procedure.

Honours Classes

The Honours mark for the awarding of the class of Honours is based on all components of the 48 UOC program. It will be determined from the student's weighted average mark for all of the courses (coursework and research project).

Honours will be awarded in the following classes, based on the student's WAM rounded to the nearest whole number:

- Class 1: WAM of 85 and above
- Class 2 Division 1: WAM of 75 to 84
- Class 2 Division 2: WAM of 65 to 74
- Class 3: WAM of 50 to 64
Program Fees

At UNSW fees are generally charged at course level and therefore dependent upon individual enrolment and other factors such as student's residency status. For generic information on fees and additional expenses of UNSW programs, click on one of the following:

- Domestic Students
- Commonwealth Supported Students
- International Students

Additional Expenses

Students may be required to purchase equipment or materials to enable them to complete activities and assessment tasks within the program, however every effort will be undertaken for the faculty to provide such relevant equipment and materials if appropriate.
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Access past handbook editions (2018 and prior)

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