

MFA Sample Schedule

Students in the MFA program must complete 67 hours of course work over three years, and each semester students will take between 12-18 hours. Semesters will not necessarily have the same number of courses, and students are expected to work with the Grad Advisor and their Major Professor to ensure that they are on track. Students may also elect to take courses in the summer; however, this is not required, and offerings are limited.

MFA students are required to take three art history courses (or two art history and one art criticism) over the course of three years. All other required courses are taken in specifically designated semesters and are designated with “R” below.

ARTS 7005 is taken every semester on assistantship, and although required, does not contribute to the mandatory 67 credit hours. All first-year graduate students must take GradFIRST (GRSC 7001) in their first semester of study.

First Year / Fall Term	Credit	Course	Notes
First Semester Seminar (R)	3	ARTS 8100	
Teaching Practicum, fall or spring (R)	3	ARTS 7990	Fall or Spring
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Assistantship Course (R)	3	ARTS 7005	
GradFIRST	1	GRSC 7001	Fall

Total Hours for First Semester: 13-18

First Year / Spring Term	Credits	Course	Notes
Pedagogy Seminar (R)	3	GRSC 7770	
Teaching Practicum, fall or spring (R)	3	ARTS 7990	Fall or Spring
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Critical Eval Methods (Recommended)	3	ARTS 6930	
Assistantship Course (R)	3	ARTS 7005	

Total Hours for Second Semester: 13-18

Second Year / Fall Term	Credits	Course	Notes
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Assistantship Course (R)	3	ARTS 7005	

Total Hours for First Semester: 12-18

Second Year / Spring Term	Credits	Course	Notes
Research Studio Course (R)	3	ARTS 7900	
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Assistantship Course (R)	3	ARTS 7005	

By the end of the second year, students are encouraged to have taken two of the three required courses in art history and/or art criticism.

Total Hours for Second Semester: 12-18

Third Year / Fall Term	Credits	Course	Notes
Graduate Exit Seminar (R)	3	ARTS 8900	
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Assistantship Course (R)	3	ARTS 7005	

Total Hours for First Semester: 12-18

Third Year / Fall Term	Credits	Course	Notes
Graduate Exit Studio (R)	3	ARST 9210	
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Grad Level Coursework	3		
Assistantship Course (R)	3	ARTS 7005	

Total Hours for Second Semester: 12-18