



SMART CHOICE

College of Liberal Arts (COLA)

Art – Graphic Design (AA Art – BFA Art – Graphic Design option) (Tahlequah)

NSU Bachelor of Fine Arts – Graphic Design (option): The Northeastern State University Department of Art and Drama's Art program offers programs leading to BFA degree in Studio Art (2D or 3D) and Graphic Design. Students can take classes including: ceramics, drawing, painting, illustration, photography, printmaking, watercolor, typography, web design, sculpture, art history and more! Students can expect individual attention and a positive learning environment. Our award-winning faculty place an emphasis on developing strong foundation skills in early classes to prepare students for their future. Advanced classes encourage students to explore their unique vision to help them realize their full potential.

Major Guidelines / Regulations: For admission to the BFA program, students must have completed ENGL 1113, ENGL 1213 with a grade of “C” or better; completed MATH 1513 with a grade of “C” or better or score 23 or higher on the Math ACT; satisfied the university’s computer proficiency requirement; and achieved an overall GPA of 2.25 or higher. Students must achieve an overall GPA of 2.25 or higher. Students enrolled in classes offered by the COLA are expected to behave according to those Standards of Professional Behavior, found on the COLA website. Graduation with the BFA degree requires that all core and major classes must be completed with a “C” or better and that 21 (of 42) credits in the BFA core must be earned at NSU.

What it takes to complete a BFA in Graphic Design (options) from NSU. If you don’t complete your A.A. or A.S. at TCC, you will need to meet NSU’s specific general education requirements. You must complete at least 124 hours to earn a bachelor’s degree. Of those hours, 60 must be from a university (four-year school; 30-hours required from NSU), 40 must be junior and senior (3000/4000) level, and half of the hours (50%) in your major must be from NSU. You must also be both English and computer proficient. This means that you must pass ENGL 1113 Composition I and ENGL 1213 Composition II with a “C” or better and pass the designated computer proficiency class if needed. Therefore, when you transfer to NSU, you will likely need around 60 more hours to earn your bachelor’s degree.

Transferring to NSU is a seamless process. Although you can transfer to NSU at any time in your academic career, the smoothest transition occurs if you have earned or will earn an A.A. or A.S. from TCC. This milestone will also meet your general education requirements at NSU (unless it is a specific NSU requirement for you to graduate).

How do my TCC classes transfer to NSU? Every class that you take at TCC will transfer to NSU. Each class counts in one of the following categories that make up a bachelor’s degree: general education, major, minor, or free elective. Minors (18 hours) are a coherent set of courses in a discipline or interdisciplinary grouping other than a student’s degree program. **This program does NOT require a minor.** Free electives can be selected from any academic area. They allow you to explore academic interests outside of your major while counting toward the 124 hours you need to graduate. If you completed a class at TCC that does not meet one of the other specific requirements, it will count as a free elective. If you complete more than 64 hours at the associate degree level, all courses will transfer to NSU, but may be counted as electives. You must have 60 hours from a four-year institution to meet state requirements for graduation with a baccalaureate degree.

When can you start taking NSU classes? You can begin taking classes at NSU while you are completing your A.A. or A.S. at TCC. This is called dual enrollment and many students do this each semester. Consult an NSU academic advisor and a financial aid counselor to see how dual enrollment can work for you.

TCC Art, AA to NSU Art – Graphic Design option, BFA

Art, AA

Freshman Year at Tulsa Community College

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
ART 1013 Fundamentals of Art I	ART 1063 Art History Survey II
ART 1053 Art History Survey I (H)	ART 1083 Fundamentals of Art II (H)
ENGL 1113 Composition I	ART 1123 Drawing I
HIST 1483 or HIST 1493 U.S. History	General Education Science with lab (4 hours)
MATH 1473 Quantitative Reasoning or higher level Math	COMM 1113 Public Speaking
Total Hours Per Semester = 15	Total Hours Per Semester = 16

Art, AA

Sophomore Year at Tulsa Community College

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
ART 1023 Painting I	ART Elective (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: ART 1133 Drawing II
ART 2083 Sculpture I	ART Elective (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: ART 2063 Watercolor I
ART 2503 Professional Practice	General Education Science without lab (3 hours)
ENGL 1213 Composition II	Humanities Elective (3 hours)
POLS 1113 American Federal Government	Recommended Elective in Psychology or Sociology (3 hours) NSU recommends the following: PSYC 1113 or SOCI 1113
Total Hours Per Semester = 15	Total Hours Per Semester = 15

After completion of your TCC courses, have the TCC Registrar send an official transcript to the NSU Admissions Office. If you have completed all requirements for an Associate degree, make sure that designation is noted on your TCC official transcript before sending to NSU. If you have not completed the requirements for an Associate degree, talk with your TCC Academic Advisor about Reverse Transfer options to use NSU coursework to complete your TCC degree.

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Junior Year at Northeastern State University

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
ART 1173 Computer Applications in Art	ART 2173 Graphic Design II
ART 1253 Color I	ART 3353 Typography
ART 1273 Graphic Design I	ART 4173 Web Graphics I
ART 3573 Photoshop	ART 4283 History of American Art
Upper Division Elective (3 hours)	Upper Division Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours Per Semester = 15	Total Hours Per Semester = 15

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Senior Year at Northeastern State University

Fall Semester	Spring Semester
ART 3123 Figure Drawing I	ART 3273 Identity Systems
ART 3173 Illustration	ART 3323 Painting I
ART 3853 Publication Design	ART 3973 Advertising Campaign
ART 4453 Contemporary Art History	ART 4973 Portfolio
Upper Division Elective (6 hours)	Upper Division Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours Per Semester = 18	Total Hours Per Semester = 15

Total hours transferred from Tulsa Community College: **61**

Total hours needed from a four-year university to complete a BFA in Art – Graphic Design: **63**

Total Degree Plan Hours: 124

For further information, contact the NSU Art Department, 918-444-3600, hunterla@nsuok.edu or visit www.nsuok.edu/art