MASTER OF ARTS IN ART HISTORY

This program provides basic preparation for teaching at the college level, background in the history of art for museum work, and preliminary study for the doctoral degree. In addition to the general requirements, the prerequisite for admission is ordinarily an undergraduate degree in art history or a strong preparation in related humanistic studies. Applicants with little background in art history but who have done exceptionally well as undergraduates in other disciplines will be seriously considered. A thesis or scholarly essay is required for completion of the degree.

Thesis Option

Graduate hours in the history of art and architecture, including 16 hours in art history graduate seminars 24
Language Requirement: Proficiency in a language outside of English and appropriate to the student’s field of study must be demonstrated by the end of the first year of residence.
ARTH 599 Thesis Research (min applied toward degree) 2
Total Hours 32

Other Requirements ¹

Other requirements may overlap
Minimum 500-level Hours Required Overall: 12
Minimum GPA: 2.75

¹ For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s graduate studies requirements and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook).

Non-Thesis Option

Graduate hours in the history of art and architecture, including 16 hours in art history graduate seminars 24
Language Requirement: Proficiency in a language outside of English and appropriate to the student’s field of study must be demonstrated by the end of the first year of residence.
Electives 8
Total Hours 32

Other Requirements

Other requirements may overlap
Scholarly essay required
Minimum 500-level Hours Required Overall: 12
Minimum GPA: 2.75

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