

# MBA/MA or MFA Art and Art History

## Dual Degree

An MBA degree in combination with the MA (MFA) degree in Art and Art History (AAH) will provide you with a set of business tools to complement your fine arts talents and expand your career options. The dual MBA/MA (MFA) offers you the opportunity to earn both degrees together in less time than if the degrees were earned sequentially.

**Note:** Residents of Western states, including Alaska and Hawaii, may be eligible for in-state tuition for this dual degree program. Please see the Western Regional Graduate Program information sheet (download the WRGP handout) at [wrqp.wiche.edu](http://wrqp.wiche.edu), or contact the Tuition Classification Officer in the Office of the Registrar at 303-492-0907, or by email: [tuit.class@registrar.colorado.edu](mailto:tuit.class@registrar.colorado.edu).

## Description of Curriculum

- In preparation for the quantitative nature of the MBA program, AAH students are strongly advised to enroll in the following courses:
  - For preparation in mathematics: Math 1001 and Math 1300; or Econ 1078 and Econ 1088
  - For preparation in statistics: BCOR 2010, or Econ 3818
- If a dual degree student starts in the Department of Art & Art History, he or she will enroll in a full load of AAH courses during his or her first year in the program, as described below:
 

*A studio arts student will take 18–24 AAH hours as follows:*

  - One art history course and/or one Topics in Contemporary Art course
  - One visiting artist seminar
  - Two courses in his or her area of specialization in studio arts
  - A graduate seminar in AAH

*An art history student will enroll in the following courses:*

  - Theories of Art History (ARTH 6929)
  - Two seminars in art history
  - One art history course at the 6000 level
  - One 3000-level or above course outside the AAH department
  - Visiting scholar seminar
- Dual degree students who start in the Department of Art & Art History will enroll in the following 31 credits of MBA courses during the second year in the program:
 

Quantitative Methods	Financial Accounting
Socially Responsible Enterprise	Decision Modeling
Managerial Economics I & II	Strategy
Marketing Management	Professional Development I & II
Corporate Finance	Two business electives

*If a dual degree student starts his or her first year in the business school, the above two steps are reversed.*
- A dual degree student will enroll in a combination of AAH and MBA courses during the third year in the dual degree program, as described below:
 

*MBA requirements to be taken during the 2nd and/or 3rd year (12 credits):*

  - Organizational Management requirement (3 credits). Choice of Managing Organizational Change, Negotiation & Conflict Management, or Executive Leadership.

*3 Business electives to complete a total of 43 MBA hours.*
- All remaining coursework required for MFA or MA degree will be taken during the third year.

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### Graduation Requirements

1. Dual degree students in studio arts will be required to complete 43 hours of MBA coursework and 45 hours of AAH coursework.
2. Dual degree students in art history will be required to complete 43 hours of MBA coursework and 30 hours of art history coursework.
3. Both degrees must be awarded simultaneously.
4. Dual degree students must maintain the academic and ethical standards required of both schools. Students in good standing in one school, but not the other, may be allowed to continue in the school in which they are in good standing.
5. Students who do not complete the dual degree program requirements (i.e., who withdraw for any reason from one of the two programs) will be required to meet the full requirements of the remaining program in which they are enrolled.

### Admissions Process

Students who are already enrolled in the graduate program in Art or Art History and plan to apply for this dual degree opportunity, will need to start their preparations during the first year of graduate study.

- Prepare for and take the GMAT or GRE if you have not yet taken it.
- Complete the on-line application at [leeds.apply.colorado.edu/apply](https://leeds.apply.colorado.edu/apply). This will include:
  - Response to an essay question
  - A professional resume
  - Two professional (not academic) recommendations.