University of Lethbridge

Career & Employment Services (CES)

www.uleth.ca/ross/ces

What can I do with a Major in **Art Studio**?

For more information on the Art Studio Major at the U of L:
http://www.uleth.ca/finearts/art

Faculty of Fine Arts
W660 University Centre for the Arts
Phone: 403-380-1864
Email: See Contact Website
Academic Advising:
http://www.uleth.ca/finearts/student-advising

The Art Studio Program at the University of Lethbridge

The Art Studio Program exposes students to all areas of traditional and emerging art media including painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking, computer art, audio art, video, installation, performance art, and digital and analog photography. The Art Studio Program includes hands-on, action-packed foundation studio courses that introduce students to diverse material and technical skills.

In Advanced and Senior Studio, students are given their own studio space and one-on-one mentorship from Art Studio faculty as they develop their art projects. Students have access to spacious and well-equipped facilities that allow them to undertake projects with expert technical support, creative guidance, and critical dialogue.

Students majoring in Art Studio may complete a Bachelor of Fine Arts (Art) degree or a Bachelor of Fine Arts (Native American Art), where students specialize in Native American art and culture. For more information, see the Bachelor of Fine Arts (Native American Arts) webpage.

Skills Developed

- Ability to Critically Evaluate Art
- Analyze Complex Textual & Cultural Phenomenon
- Communication
- Critical Thinking & Writing
- Leadership
- Organization of Ideas & Materials
- Problem Solving
- Project Implementation
- Relating Abstract Ideas & Visual Forms
- Respect Individual Difference
- Seeing, Drawing & Understanding Form
- Teamwork
- Think & Write Creatively
- Time Management
- Understanding Different Artistic Mediums
- Work Independently

Work Environments

Graduates of the Art Studio program may find employment in/with advertising agencies, art galleries, auction houses, cultural institutions, museums, publishing companies, media companies or textile companies. Graduates may also pursue career opportunities with multimedia firms, governmental organizations, public relations companies, consulting firms, or marketing companies.

Key Areas of Specialization:
Drawing, Painting, Printmaking, Sculpture & Material Practice, Installation & Performance Art, Photography, Video & Media Art, Digital Fabrication & Electronic Art

Entry Level Job Titles

These jobs are normally intended for new graduates and require 0 to 2 years of experience. It is important to note that many entry level positions require *some* related experience or demonstrated ability to perform job-related tasks. Even those positions that do not *require* experience will still prefer an experienced candidate, if one is available.

- Art Foundation Program Coordinator
- Arts Program Specialist
- Children's Art Instructor
- Curatorial Assistant
- Design Consultant
- Display Coordinator
- Education Program Specialist
- Gallery Assistant
- Graphic Artist
- Graphic Production Assistant
- Junior Graphic Designer
- Layout Artist
- Photographer/Sales Associate
- Production Artist
- Program Coordinator
- Sales & Marketing Assistant Intern
- Studio Art Technologist (Printmaking)

Note: The U of L offers various resources and programs to facilitate students in gaining work and volunteer experience. Find an entry level position on the CES job board or join the Management or Arts & Science Cooperative Education Programs. Summer jobs, part-time work, internship positions and volunteer experience help students to enhance their skillset and accumulate work experience for their future career.

Related Job Titles

These jobs generally require extensive, relevant work experience and/or further education.

- Advertising Artist
- Animation Artist
- Architect Art Restoration Specialist
- Art Appraiser
- Art Consultant
- Art Critic
- Art Dealer
- Art Director
- Art Educator
- Art Gallery Worker/ Director
- Art Historian
- Art Librarian
- Art Therapist
- Artifact Preservation Specialist
- Artist
- Artist Facilitator
- Arts Administrator
- Arts Awards Administrator
- Arts Blogger
- Arts Manager
- Arts Programmer (TV/Radio)
- Book/Journal Editor
- Conservator/Restorer
- Creative Technologist
- Curator
- Designer
- Documentary Editor
- Exhibit/Display Designer
- Fine Art Appraiser/ Handler
- Fine Arts Sales Associate
- Graphic Artist/Designer
- Graphic Designer
- Historical Preservation Coordinator
- Illustrator
- Layout Artist
- Medical Illustrator
- Museum Curator
- Museum Exhibit Designer
- Photographer
- Print Journalist
- Production Assistant
- Programming Assistant
- Public Relations Specialist
- Publications Assistant
- Publicity Specialist
- Technical Assistant
- Technical/Scientific Illustrator
- Textile Designer
- University Professor
- Video Producer
- Visual Merchandiser
- Web Developer/Designer

Thinking Outside the Box: Other Possible Job Titles

On average, people change their careers three to five times in their lifetime. So, no matter what major you choose, you may still be interested in opportunities totally unrelated to your program of study. We encourage you to be open to all possibilities! Your undergraduate degree can be a springboard for other educational pursuits, and your transferable skills and experience can prepare you to work in a multitude of settings.

- Advertising Account Representative
- Architect
- Cake Designer/Decorator
- Communications Officer
- Community Outreach Coordinator
- Costume Designer
- Cultural Events Planner
- Cultural Programmer/Planner
- Curriculum Specialist
- Development Coordinator
- Digital Animator
- Educator & Public Programs Coordinator
- Event Planner
- Events & Public Engagement Specialist
- Fashion Designer
- Festival Coordinator
- Framer
- Fundraiser
- Grant Writer
- Grants Officer for the Arts
- Interior Decorator
- Landscape Architect
- Librarian/Information Specialist
- Marketing Communication Specialist
- Marketing Specialist/Director
- Media Relations Specialist
- Membership Services Officer
- Museum Administrator
- Museum Director
- Seller of Art Supplies
- Sign Painter
- Sponsorship Coordinator
- Tattoo Artist
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Volunteer Engagement Officer

Useful Resources

Recommended websites to assist in exploring the field of Art Studio and its career opportunities.

University of Lethbridge Art Gallery
http://www.uleth.ca/artgallery/

SAAG – Southern Alberta Art Gallery
http://www.saag.ca

CASA – Lethbridge Community Arts Centre
http://www.casalethbridge.ca

Galt Museum Lethbridge
http://www.galtmuseum.com

Calgary Artists' Society
http://www.calgaryartistssociety.com

The Alberta Society of Artists
http://albertasocietyofartists.com

Alberta Community Art Clubs Association
http://www.acaca.ab.ca

Alberta Association of Artist-Run Centres
http://aaarc.ca

Visual Arts Alberta
http://visualartsalberta.com

Alberta Foundation for the Arts
http://www.affta.ab.ca/

Art Gallery of Alberta
http://www.youraga.ca

Society of Western Canadian Artists
http://www.swcartists.ca

Artists in Canada
http://www.artistsincanada.com

Canadian Council for the Arts
http://www.canadacouncil.ca

Universities Art Association of Canada
http://www.uaac-aauc.com/

Alliance for Arts & Culture
http://www.allianceforarts.com

Canadian Artists Representation
http://www.carfac.ca

Canadian Conference of the Arts
http://ccarts.ca

The Canadian Association of Professional Image Creators
http://capic.org

Federation of Canadian Artists
http://artists.ca

Society of Canadian Artists
http://www.societyofcanadianartists.com/

Women's Art Association of Canada
http://www.womensartofcanada.ca

Cultural Human Resources Council
http://www.culturalhrc.ca/

Campus Resources

Career & Employment Services (CES)
http://www.uleth.ca/ross/ces/

Career Counselling (Counselling Services)
http://www.uleth.ca/counselling/

Academic Advising
http://www.uleth.ca/ross/academic-advising

Native Student Advising
http://www.uleth.ca/ross/native-student-advising

Student Success Centre – Study Skills, Learning Strategies & Tutoring
http://www.uleth.ca/student-success-centre/

Accommodated Learning Centre
http://www.uleth.ca/ross/accommodated-learning-centre/

International Centre for Students
http://www.uleth.ca/international/

Registrar Office & Student Services
http://www.uleth.ca/ross/

Scholarship & Students Finance
http://www.uleth.ca/ross/student-finance/

U of L Students' Union & Student Clubs
http://www.ulsu.ca/

Campus Job Resources

Career & Employment Services Job Board
CES Job board

Arts & Science Applied Studies
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/applied-studies/students

Arts & Science Co-op Education & Internship
http://www.uleth.ca/artsci/coop

Management Co-op Education
http://www.uleth.ca/management/co-op

Study Abroad & Exchanges
http://www.uleth.ca/international/content/study abroad-exchanges

Management Study Abroad & Exchanges
http://www.uleth.ca/management/study-abroad

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CES assists U of L students and graduates with their career exploration and work search needs.
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