Graduate School of Art

The Graduate School of Art offers a two-year, critically engaged studio practice program with myriad opportunities for collaboration, cross-disciplinary work, and research. The program promotes a rigorous exchange of ideas within a tight-knit community of approximately 50 students.

Our program is an open landscape for the emerging artist — one that reflects the dynamic cultural shifts, global perspectives, and evolving technologies that shape today’s complex art world. While investigating their roles and responsibilities as artists, students challenge traditional hierarchies and embrace new forms of aesthetic thinking that include socially engaged and situated practices, site-responsive work, post-studio production, de-skilling, and DIY/maker movements.

Graduate seminars provide contemporary and historical contexts for art making, while a thesis seminar supports students in their writing and the development of their ideas. Through a combination of self-directed study, studio critiques, visiting artist reviews, and research, students build a sophisticated awareness of the cultural conversations of our time.

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Courses

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