

General Requirements for Admission

The minimum requirements for admission of postbaccalaureate and graduate students to a California State University campus are in accordance with university regulations as well as Title 5, Chapter 1, Subchapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations. Specifically, a student at the time of enrollment with unclassified postbaccalaureate standing must: 1) have completed a four-year college course of study and earned an acceptable baccalaureate degree at an institution accredited by a regional accrediting association or have completed equivalent academic preparation as determined by appropriate campus authorities, 2) have been in good standing at the last college or university attended, 3) have attained a grade-point average of at least 2.5 in the last 90 quarter (60 semester units) units attempted, and 4) satisfactorily met the professional, personal, scholastic, and other standards for graduate study, including qualifying examinations, as appropriate campus authorities may prescribe. Applicants who do not qualify for admission under the provisions cited above may be admitted by special action if, on the basis of acceptable evidence, they are judged to possess sufficient academic, professional and other potential to merit such action. Petitions for admission by special action should be directed to the graduate coordinator of the appropriate master's program or if there is no specific graduate degree in mind, to the Dean of Graduate Studies.

Dear Artist,

Thank you for your interest in our M.A. in Studio Art Program. California State University, San Bernardino provides an outstanding environment for pursuing graduate studies in the visual arts. Our faculty members are professional working artists committed to providing a challenging and supportive creative experience. Our Visual Arts Center provides the finest studio facilities available. We are currently accepting applications for admissions in the areas of Painting & Drawing, Printmaking, Photography, Sculpture, Ceramics, Glass, and Wood & Furniture Design. I have enclosed materials that will introduce you to our program and answer your questions about our application process. Application materials must be submitted to both the Department of Art and the University by the deadline date to be considered for admissions. **Enclosed is the Department's application only.** Apply to the University at: www.csumentor.edu and choose 'apply online', register and then choose the San Bernardino campus. I have also enclosed the financial aid page from the university's website and the university's Graduate Entrance Writing Requirement. Please visit www.csusb.edu for detailed information about your financial aid opportunities.

The following is the M.A. in Art graduate program application deadline date for admissions:

Quarter to be admitted
Fall (only)

Application postmark deadline
March 15 (each year)

If you have any further questions about the M.A. in Art program please contact me at 909-537-7267 or mcgovern@csusb.edu. Email messages are preferred. Additionally, if you have not already visited the Visual Arts Center, I would be happy to arrange a tour of our studio facilities. I look forward to the prospect of your joining our graduate program at California State University, San Bernardino and wish you great success in all your artistic endeavors.

Sincerely,

Thomas McGovern
Graduate Coordinator and Associate Professor of Art

Graduate Entrance Writing Requirement

Graduate students will be required to pass (or to have passed) the upper-division writing requirement before being fully classified into a graduate program, unless an earlier completion is specified for a particular program. This requirement can be satisfied through one of the following:

1. Completion, with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better, within seven years prior to acceptance into the program of one of the following courses: EDUC 306, ENG 306, HUM 306, MGMT 306, NSCI 306, or SSCI 306 (all graduate and postbaccalaureate students, regardless of citizenship, whose preparatory education was principally in a language other than English and have a minimum score of 550 on the TOEFL, or a minimum score of 213 on the Computer Based TOEFL, who fail to achieve a grade of "B" (3.0) or higher in one of the 306 courses will be required to retake any 306 class.) (Note: these 306 courses were previously numbered 495.)
2. Completion, with a grade of "B" (3.0) or better, of an equivalent advanced expository writing course at another college or university within seven years prior to acceptance into the program.
3. Satisfactory completion of the Writing Requirement Exemption Examination (WREE) offered at this university, taken within seven years prior to acceptance into the program. Further information about the WREE examination (for example, how much it costs, when it is offered, what it covers) is available from the Testing Center, Jack Brown Hall, Room 405, (909) 880-5041. Contact the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies 880-5058 for questions about the graduate writing requirement as it relates to postbaccalaureate students.

This information is directly from CSUSB Bulletin of Courses.

M.A. in Studio Art Program Application Form

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____

Email _____

M.A. in Studio Art Area of Specialization (check one): Ceramics _____
Painting and Drawing _____ Wood and Furniture Design _____
Photography _____ Printmaking _____ Sculpture _____ Glass _____
Other (explain) _____

B.A./B.F.A. College/University _____

B.A./B.F.A. degree: Major _____ Minor _____

Date of B.A./B.F.A. Degree: _____

List art studies since completing B.A./B.F.A. degree:

List exhibitions of your artwork since completing your B.A./B.F.A. degree:

List any art grants, awards, prizes, honors, etc. received:

Mail to: Thomas McGovern, Graduate Coordinator
Art Department, California State University, San Bernardino
5500 University Parkway, San Bernardino, CA 92407

NOTE: Application decisions are final and no explanation is provided.

M.A. in Studio Art Program Application for Admission Guidelines

Your admission to the M.A. in Studio Art program is dependent on acceptance by both the University and the Department of Art. All application materials must be postmarked by the appropriate due date to be considered for admission.

1. Review the attached general requirements for admission to the University and the specific requirements for admission to the M.A. in Studio Art program.
2. Submit the following required applications materials directly to:

Thomas McGovern, Graduate Coordinator
Department of Art
California State University, San Bernardino
5500 University Parkway
San Bernardino, CA 92407

-“M.A. in Art Program Application Form”

-A portfolio displaying a comprehensive body of work with strong technical abilities and potential for a clear direction in graduate study within the studio area. A portfolio consists of 12 – 20 images of the applicant’s artwork in the form of labeled slides in a plastic slide sheet or as jpgs on a CD. The portfolio needs to be accompanied by a typed list of artworks with the applicant’s name, title, medium, size and date for each artwork. Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you send slides and want them returned.

-A “Statement of Purpose”– one to two typed pages in length describing the conceptual and technical aspects of the artwork and the applicant’s reason for seeking graduate studies in art. This statement should also demonstrate applicant’s knowledge of historical and contemporary art in relation to their work.

-Three letters of recommendation supporting the student’s application. Letters should be from professionals and/or educators in the field of art able to assess the student’s competence and to make relevant comments on the student’s likely success in a graduate art program.

3. Apply to the University online at: www.csumentor.edu. Choose ‘apply online’, register and choose the San Bernardino campus.

For further information about the M.A. in Studio Art program or to schedule a tour of the facilities contact Professor Thomas McGovern, Graduate Coordinator, (909) 537-7267, mcgovern@csusb.edu (email contact is preferred).

M.A. in Art Program

Letters of Recommendation Waiver Form

____ I waive my right to read or know the contents of my letters of recommendation.

____ I DO NOT waive my right to read or know the contents of my letters of recommendation.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Please check mark your preference, sign and enclose in your application packet.