WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN...

ART AND PERFORMANCE

This information describes typical occupations and employment settings associated with this major. Understand that some of these options may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options when choosing a possible career path.

DESCRIPTION OF ART AND PERFORMANCE

An Art & Performance degree at UT Dallas allows students to pursue an interdisciplinary study of the arts and gain practical experience in at least one area of the visual arts, performing arts, or creative writing. You should expect to develop outstanding skills in written and oral communication, independence and creativity, cultural understanding, and the interpretation ideas and artistic expression. With a bachelor’s degree in Art & Performance, you can pursue entry level positions in design, broadcasting, government, fashion, education, publishing, journalism, public relations, business, performance, arts administration, and entertainment (just to name a few). Likewise, you can continue your education in graduate programs to study business, law, administration, government, religious studies, medicine, or a number of fields in the fine arts and humanities. Because the Art & Performance degree can lead you to down many different career paths, it is important to identify an area of interest and take the initiative to develop the appropriate skills, experience, and credentials to enter your chosen field.

MARKETABLE SKILLS

- **Planning**—Ability to execute complicated ideas and events
- **Creative Problem Solving**—Ability to view problems in multiple ways and come up with unique solutions
- **Communication**—Ability to express thoughts and ideas in a clear and professional manner
- **Interpersonal**—Ability to communicate effectively with people from various backgrounds

POSSIBLE INTERNSHIPS

- AT&T, Future Leaders Intern
- C2 Art Advisors, Project and Research Asst. Intern
- Dallas Black Dance Theatre, Community Engagement/Social Media Intern
- Dallas HD Films, Production Intern
- Fine Arts Chamber Players, Basically Beethoven Festival Intern
- Legacy Counseling Center, Grace Project Women’s Program Intern
- Nicole Kwon Concept Store, Fashion Merchandising Intern
- Parkland Health & Hospital System, Community Relations and Communications Intern
- Santander Consumer USA, HR Intern
- Shakespeare Dallas, Social Media Intern and Assistant House Manager Intern
- The Dallas Contemporary, Museum Intern
- Wolf Trap, Arts Industry Intern

POSSIBLE JOB TITLES

- Art Historian
- Art Therapist
- Broadcaster
- Business Analyst
- Career Counselor
- Collections Manager
- Community Affairs Specialist
- Copywriter
- Courtroom Sketch Artist
- Curator
- Entertainment Agent
- Environmental Planner
- Event Coordinator
- Fundraiser
- Grant Writer
- Human Resources Coordinator
- Industrial Designer
- Information Specialist
- Interior Designer
- Journalist
- Layout Artist
- Medical Illustrator
- Museum Exhibit Designer
- Personnel Manager
- Photographer
- Producer
- Product Designer
- Professor
- Program Manager
- Project Manager
- Public Relations Specialist
- Publisher
- Set Designer
- Social Worker
- Theater Director
- Transportation Designer
POSSIBLE EMPLOYERS

Aetna
AmeriCorps
AMX
AppFolio
Artemis Fine Art Services
AT&T
Audubon Texas
City of Dallas
D Magazine
Dallas Museum of Art
Edmentum
Federal Government
Fossil
Frontier Communications
Hallmark Casework
Interstate Batteries, Inc.
JP Morgan Chase
Junior Players
Kidventure
North Central Texas Council of Governments
North Texas Public Broadcasting (KERA)
PBS
Peace Corps
Pioneer Natural Resources USA
Sanderson Farms
Southwest Airlines
State Farm
Tekzenit
Texas Film Commission
The Dallas Morning News
The Greenlining Institute
Theatre Three
Toyota
United Commercial Realty
United Nations
University of North Texas
UT Dallas
Vee Model Management
Consulting
Yelp

EMPLOYMENT WEBSITES

CometCareers
GoinGlobal
Indeed.com
LinkedIn.com – Recent Graduates
Simply Hired
USAJobs.gov

Art Jobs
Bridgespan Nonprofit Job Board
Copyediting
Higher Ed Jobs
New Pages
The Write Jobs

PROFESSIONAL INDUSTRY RESOURCES

Association of American Publishers
College Art Association
Creative Arts Center of Dallas
Creative Organizations in DFW
Dallas Film Society
Dance Council of North Texas
Educational Theatre Association
Texas Film Commission
Texas Music Office
The United States Institute for Theatre Technology

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS / CAMPUS RESOURCES

Alpha Phi Omega
Club Improv
Eugraphica Magazine
Feather Guns - UTD Creative Writing
Pride at UTD
Student Government
Student Leadership Programs
Student Media
Student Union & Activities Advisory Board (SUAAB)
Veteran Services Center

CAREER READINESS – CORE COMPETENCIES EMPLOYERS SEEK

Career readiness is the attainment and demonstration of requisite competencies that broadly prepare college graduates for a successful transition into the workplace. Take time to intentionally develop and demonstrate these competencies in your classes, projects, volunteerism, campus involvement, PT jobs and internships.

- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
- Oral/Written Communication
- Teamwork/Collaboration
- Digital Technology
- Leadership
- Professionalism/Work Ethic
- Career Management
- Global/Intercultural Fluency

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