

Special Programs

General Eligibility

The student must demonstrate a superior undergraduate preparation for advanced studies and research appropriate to the departments involved in the proposed special major. The student must meet the minimum criteria for admission to conditionally classified standing in the departments concerned.

Degree Requirements

The basic requirements for the special major are the same as for all other master's degrees. A minimum of 30 units is required, and at least 70 percent of the program must consist of courses designated for graduate study, that is, in graduate-level 200-series courses. The proposed program must truly reflect the requirements of scholarly creativity and research appropriate to the graduate level and must exhibit overall coherence in a particular, recognized field of study. The proposed program must lead to the mastery of specific knowledge or skills in an area of advanced studies for which adequate faculty, library, and laboratory resources are present.

Although the special major provides an opportunity for exceptional students to engage in a program outside the framework of existing majors, all normal graduation requirements and standards will be applied. Students pursuing a special major master's degree are required to write a thesis to fulfill the requirement for a culminating experience. For more detailed information concerning the application process and the procedures for constituting a committee and program for the special major, consult the Division of Graduate Studies.

Summer Arts

California State University Summer Arts is a multidisciplinary festival of performing and visual arts, recognized as the largest and most dynamic summer arts program in the western United States. The goal of the program is to create a center for learning where students, faculty, professionals, and audiences from all over the world come together to explore connections, experiment with new modes of communication, and engage in the process of making art.

The program offers masterclasses in theatre, music, dance, visual arts, creative writing, arts education, and new technologies including film, video and computer arts. The festival's offerings are enhanced through the participation of many internationally known guest artists and feature a large number of public events and performances. These summer workshops provide a transforming experience in the arts through intense artistic immersion and the chance to study with world-renowned guest artists and master teachers.

Course Description

Topics courses are offered by the CSU Summer Arts festival in the visual and performing arts, media art, creative writing, and art education. See CSU Summer Arts brochure for topics offered. Audition or portfolio review by CSU Summer Arts is required for enrollment. Special course fees may be required. Each topics course may be repeated for a total of 12 units. See page 97 for information about the *Course Numbering System*.

Art Education:

- ART 431T - Topics in Education in the Fine Arts
- ART 432T - Topics in Art Education
- ART 631T - Topics in Education in the Fine Arts
- ART 632T - Topics in Art Education

Creative Writing:

- ENGL 422T - Topics in Creative Writing. Intensive workshop in the writing of poetry and fiction.
- ENGL 622T - Topics in Creative Writing. Intensive workshop in the writing of poetry and fiction.

Dance:

- DANCE 427T - Topics in Dance
- DANCE 428T - Topics in Dance Production
- DANCE 627T - Topics in Dance
- DANCE 628T - Topics in Dance Production

Media Art:

- MCJ 429T - Topics in Media Art. Advanced projects in media art, multimedia production, and video programs.
- GD 430T - Topics in Animation and Graphic Design. Advanced projects in graphic design from concept to computer-generated files.
- MCJ 629T - Topics in Media Art. Advanced projects in media art, multimedia production, and video programs.
- GD 630T - Topics in Animation and Graphic Design. Advanced projects in graphic design from concept to computer-generated files.

Music:

- MUSIC 423T - Topics in Music Performance
- MUSIC 424T - Topics in Instrumental Music
- MUSIC 623T - Topics in Music Performance
- MUSIC 624T - Topics in Instrumental Music

Theatre:

- DRAMA 425T - Topics in Theatre Arts
- DRAMA 426T - Topics in Theatre Production
- DRAMA 625T - Topics in Theatre Arts
- DRAMA 626T - Topics in Theatre Production

Visual Arts:

- ART 420T - Topics in the Visual Arts. Investigation of advanced topics in the visual arts. Coursework may include studio productions, critiques, and evaluations.
- ART 421T - Topics in Studio Art. Advanced projects in studio art.
- ART 620T - Topics in the Visual Arts. Investigation of advanced topics in the visual arts. Coursework may include studio productions, critiques, and evaluations.
- ART 621T - Topics in Studio Art. Advanced projects in studio art.