

Transfer Guidelines



Application and Merit Scholarship Deadlines

Regular decision applications will be accepted on a space-available basis. If admitted, an Admission and Merit Scholarship decision will be sent within two weeks.

SPRING SEMESTER / January Start Date
SUMMER SEMESTER / June Start Date
FALL SEMESTER / August Start Date

CONTACT US: to make an appointment
admissions@mcad.edu
mcad.edu/admissions-meeting

MORE INFORMATION:
mcad.edu/transfer
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For Liberal Arts Transfer Credit

Up to 30 liberal arts credits from courses comparable to those taught at MCAD will be considered, including art history, humanities, language, and social science courses. A course description is required to determine transfer eligibility.

For Studio Arts Transfer Credit

Up to 33 studio arts credits may be transferred. A portfolio of work completed as part of each studio course is required for studio arts credit transfer. For example, if you intend to transfer credits for three courses, three separate portfolios are required. Please do not submit a portfolio without clear guidelines from a Transfer Specialist.

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A Different Perspective

MCAD values transfer students for the experience, insight, knowledge, and vigor that they add to our creative community. In fact, about a third of our students have transferred here from a variety of colleges and universities.

MCAD may accept up to 30 liberal arts credits and up to 33 studio arts credits with a grade of “C” or better from other regionally accredited post-secondary institutions and pre-college programs. You are considered a transfer student if you have graduated from a high school program (or equivalent) and have enrolled at a post-secondary institution. Visit mcad.edu/transfer for more information about transfer guidelines and eligibility.

Transfer students follow all regular application requirements, dates, and deadlines as all undergraduate students. Visit mcad.edu/admissions for more information.

TRANSFER CREDIT EVALUATION: Make an appointment with an admissions counselor to determine credit transfer eligibility. This initial review is not binding, but it will give you a good idea of what credits may transfer to MCAD and how they fill our degree requirements. Once you are accepted for admission at MCAD, you will receive an official credit evaluation.



MCAD First-Year Requirements

SAMPLE COURSES THAT MAY FULFILL MCAD COURSE REQUIREMENTS

MCAD LIBERAL ARTS FOUNDATION 9 credits

Introduction to Art and
Design History 1

Introduction to Art and
Design History 2

Writing and Inquiry

SAMPLE LIBERAL ARTS TRANSFER COURSES

→ Art History Survey,
Prehistory to Modern

→ Contemporary Art
History Survey

→ Composition, Reading
and Writing, College
Writing, Rhetoric

MCAD STUDIO ARTS FOUNDATION* 15 credits

Foundation: 2D

Foundation: 3D

Foundation:
Drawing 1

Foundation:
Drawing 2

Foundation: Media 1

SAMPLE STUDIO ARTS TRANSFER COURSES

→ Two-dimensional design
and color

→ 3D Design or Sculpture
(must include sculptural
woodworking and metal
welding)

→ Observational Drawing,
Figure Drawing

→ Advanced Observational
Drawing, Advanced
Figure Drawing

→ No course equivalent

MCAD ELECTIVE CREDIT

Art History Elective

Studio Art Elective

SAMPLE ELECTIVE CREDIT COURSES

→ Art History survey (various)

→ Animation, Art, Electronic
Imaging, Film, Graphic
Design, Painting, Photo-
graphy, Printmaking,
Sculpture, 3D Design,
Typography, Video art,
Visual art, etc.

*Please contact your Admissions Counselor regarding Studio Foundation Requirements based on your intended major and for specific course equivalents at your current college.