Art History, BA

Honors

Honors in the Major

The School of Art, Art History, and Design offers outstanding students the opportunity to graduate with honors in the art history major. Honors students in art history must maintain a cumulative University of Iowa grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.33 and a GPA of at least 3.50 in the major. They also must complete a departmental application to graduate with honors in the major.

Students research and write an honors paper of 5,000 to 7,500 words under the direction of an art history professor. Students work with an art history faculty member as their honors advisor. Students must register for ARTH:3985 Honors Research in Art History, earning a total of 3 s.h. over the course of one or two semesters. They must have the honors advisor’s approval before beginning work on their honors paper.

The honors paper should conform to the Graduate College format for theses; see Formatting Your Thesis on the Graduate College website. The title page must follow the University of Iowa Honors Program format.

University of Iowa Honors Program

In addition to honors in the major, students have opportunities for honors study and activities through membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the university's honors program.

Membership in the UI Honors Program is not required to earn honors in the art history major.