Degree Type – Bachelor of Arts (BA) Degree Title – Art

Focus: Latin American History

This Bachelor of Arts degree in Art will provide students with hemispheric knowledge and independent critical judgment of the key Pre-Columbian, Viceregal and modern stylistic, historic and cultural stylistic developments in Latin American and Latin@ Art and Architectural History. It will prepare them for careers in museums, museum studies, curatorial work, monument management and protection, art or architectural criticism, appraisal, restoration and preservation, gallery management, teaching and fashion and post-graduate studies in art and architectural history.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

- 1. Students will demonstrate advanced knowledge of the major Latin American artists, schools of art, stylistic trends, and artistic and architectural movements.
- 2. Students will demonstrate advanced understanding of the socio-historical, ethnic and gender contexts behind the creation of Latin American artistic and architectural masterpieces.
- 3. Students will demonstrate advanced English language skills by giving a convincing and authoritative spoken academic seminar presentation on a topic in Latin American art and architecture of at least 20 minutes in length.
- 4. Students will demonstrate independent critical judgment with a scholarly written paper of at least ten pages of written double-spaced text in length that convincingly interprets bodies of works of Latin American art and/or architecture by using methodical professional stylistic and contextual analysis. This paper must also prove advanced, articulate English language writing and persuasive skills.
- 5. Students will contribute new personal insights and discoveries to the critical discourse on Latin American art and architecture.

A – GENERAL EDUCATION CORE – 42 HOURS

Students must fulfill the General Education Core requirements. The courses listed below satisfy both degree requirements and General Education Core requirements.

Required

Creative Arts - 3 hours

Choose one:

ARTS 1303 Art History I ARTS 1304 Art History II

B – MAJOR REQUIREMENTS – 60 HOURS (45 advanced)

1 – Art Core – 21 hours (12 advanced)

Choose one:

ARTS 1303 Art History I ARTS 1304 Art History II

ARTS 1311 Design I

ARTS 1316 Drawing I

ARTS 3396 Contemporary Art

ARTS 4337 Digital Photography

ARTS 4358 Research Methods in Latin American Art and Architectural History

ARTS 4359 Seminar on Topics in Art History

2 – Media Area Electives – 6 hours

Choose from:

ARTS 1312 Design II

ARTS 1317 Drawing II

ARTS 2313 Design Communications I

ARTS 2314 Design Communications II

ARTS 2316 Painting I

ARTS 2317 Painting II

ARTS 2326 Sculpture I

ARTS 2327 Sculpture II

ARTS 2333 Printmaking I

ARTS 2334 Printmaking II

ARTS 2341 Beginning Jewelry/Metalworking

ARTS 2346 Ceramics I

ARTS 2347 Ceramics II

ARTS 2348 Digital Media

ARTS 2356 Photography I

ARTS 2357 Photography II

ARTS 2361 Computer Imaging I

ARTS 2362 Computer Imaging II

3 – Advanced Latin American Art and Architectural History Electives – 27 hours (27 advanced)

Choose from:

ARTS 3350 Pre-Hispanic Mesoamerican Art and Architecture

ARTS 3351 Andean Pre-Hispanic Art and Architecture

ARTS 3352 Art and Architecture of Asia, Africa, and Oceania

ARTS 3355 History of Spanish Architecture, 711 to 1780 A.D.

ARTS 3356 Mexican Viceregal Art and Architecture

ARTS 3357 South American Viceregal Art and Architecture

ARTS 4353 History of Photography

ARTS 4354 Modern Mexican Art, 1785-1940

ARTS 4355 Modern Mexican Art Since 1940

ARTS 4356 Modern Art of South America and the Caribbean

ARTS 4357 Latin@ Art History

ARTS 4359 Seminar on Topics in Art History*

4 – Advanced Art or Free Electives – 6 hours (6 advanced)

C – MINOR – 18 HOURS (6 advanced)

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION – 120 HOURS

TOTAL ADVANCED HOURS – 51 HOURS

ADMISSION, PROGRESSION, AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, if applicable:

Graduation requirements

In addition to the graduation requirements listed in the UTRGV 2015-2017 Undergraduate Catalog, demonstration of proficiency in a language other than English is required at the undergraduate level equivalent to a minimum of six credit hours. Proficiency can be demonstrated by a college credit exam, a placement test approved through the UTRGV Department of Writing and Language Studies, and/or up to six credit hours of college-level language coursework.

^{*} May be repeated once for a total of 6 hours if the two topics are substantively different.