Arts (GA)

Requirement: One 3-credit or 4-credit hour course.

GenEd Arts courses develop artistic literacy. Courses may be centered on one of the arts (e.g. dance, fine arts, music), may be interdisciplinary in nature (e.g. creative writing and theater, film and dance), or may address larger themes (e.g. creativity, the arts and political statement, technology and the arts), but all Arts courses make some connection to other perspectives, disciplines, or subject areas.

GenEd Arts courses are intended to teach students how to:

• Experience and respond to a work of art or creative process;
• Recognize or interpret a work of art or creative process in its social, historical and cultural context;
• Describe or evaluate a work of art or creative process using appropriate terminology;
• Demonstrate an “appreciation” for the value of art in our lives and in society; and
• Function as a member of an audience.

Arts Courses

Below, you will find a list of GenEd courses in this area.

Please be advised that GenEd offerings vary from semester to semester and that all GenEd courses will not be offered every semester. For the most current list of GenEd offerings, please consult the Class Schedule.

In addition, a single GenEd course may be offered by more than one department. GenEd courses offered by more than one department will have the same course number and the same course title. A student may not take the same course from multiple departments and earn credit toward graduation. However, if a student wishes to replace their grade in a GenEd course, they may replace the grade with any course bearing the same course number and the same course title regardless of department.

• Art Matters: Ideas in Art and Architecture ARTH 0808
• Arts in Cultural Context ASST 0871, RUS 0871
• Creative Acts ENG 0826
• Dramatic Imagination: The Performing Arts in Society THTR 0805
• Exploring Music MUST 0812
• From Page to Stage THTR 0813
• Greek Theater & Society GRC 0811
• Philadelphia Arts & Culture AMST 0801
• Shakespeare and Music MUST 0804
• Shakespeare in the Movies ENG 0822
• Shall We Dance? Dance as Narrative in American Film DANC 0831
• The Art of Acting THTR 0825
• The Art of Listening MUST 0802
• The Art of Sacred Space ARTH 0803, GRC 0803
• The Creative Spirit: A Multidisciplinary View THTR 0807
• The Future of Your TV MSP 0821
• The History of Art in Rome (Rome Campus only) ARTH 0813
• The History of Japanese Design: Anonymity, Desire, Shadows & Sports (Japan Campus only) TUJ 0879
• The Jazz Century in America DANC 0806
• The Meaning of the Arts PHIL 0847
• World Musics & Cultures MUST 0809
• Honors Art of Acting THTR 0925
• Honors Art of Sacred Space GRC 0903
• Honors Creative Acts ENG 0926
• Honors Greek Theater & Society GRC 0911
• Honors: Philadelphia Arts & Culture AMST 0901
• Honors Shakespeare in the Movies ENG 0922
• Honors Shall We Dance? Dance as Narrative in American Film DANC 0931
• Honors: The Art of Listening MUST 0902
• Honors The Creative Spirit: A Multidisciplinary View THTR 0907
• Honors The Meaning of the Arts PHIL 0947
• Honors Transnational Cinema ENG 0975
• Honors World Musics & Cultures MUST 0909

Waiver

Students pursuing undergraduate degrees in the Boyer College of Music and Dance and the Tyler School of Art and Architecture may be exempted from the GenEd Arts requirement upon completion of collegiate requirements.

Boyer College of Music and Dance

Students may satisfy the GA requirement by successfully completing one of the following four-course sequences:

• DANC 1811, DANC 2813, DANC 2814, and DANC 3812. All courses must be completed to receive waiver.
• MUST 1711, MUST 1712, MUST 2711, and MUST 2712. All courses must be completed to receive waiver.
• A transfer course or courses equivalent to the waivers described in the bullets above.

Courses must be completed with a C- or better to satisfy GenEd waiver requirements.

Department/schools/colleges may stipulate a higher grade to satisfy department/school/college requirements.

Tyler School of Art and Architecture

Students in the following degree programs at Tyler School of Art and Architecture may satisfy the GA requirement by successfully completing a specified multi-course sequence:

Bachelor of Arts in Art Therapy
Bachelor of Arts in Visual Studies
Bachelor of Science in Education in Art Education
Bachelor of Fine Arts

ARTH 1156, and FDPR 1511 or VS 1151. All courses must be completed with a C- or better to receive waiver.

TUJ students in the BA in Art degree program may satisfy the GA requirement by successfully completing the following set of courses:

ARTU 1201, ARTU 1401, ARTU 1402 and ARTU 1501. All courses must be completed with a C- or better to receive waiver. Note that this specific waiver is only for TUJ students in the BA in Art degree program.

Department/schools/colleges may stipulate a higher grade to satisfy department/school/college requirements.

Consult an academic advisor for details.

School of Theater, Film and Media Arts

Students may satisfy the GA requirement by successfully completing the following three-course sequence:

Theater Majors:

THTR 1003, THTR 1096, and THTR 1231. All courses must be completed with a C- or better to receive the waiver.

Musical Theater Majors:

THTR 1096, THTR 1202, and THTR 1231. All courses must be completed with a C- or better to receive the waiver.