

**USC ROSKI SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS
SUPPLEMENTAL UNDERGRADUATE APPLICATION**

For students already enrolled at USC

NAME (last, first, MI) _____

USC ID # _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____

INTENDED DEGREE OBJECTIVE: BA, Studio Arts
 BFA

PLANNED EMPHASIS/MEDIA: _____
(Drawing, Photography, etc)

EXPECTED GRADUATION: _____
(Semester / Year)

CURRENT DECLARED MAJOR: _____

CHANGING MAJORS
 ADDING DOUBLE MAJOR

TERM STARTED AT USC: _____
(Semester / Year)

GPA: _____ PREVIOUS SEMESTER
_____ CUMULATIVE

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS

A. Supplemental Application (this form)

B. USC Transcripts / STARS Report

All applicants must include *current copies* of their USC transcripts or STARS report for evaluation. The minimum GPA required for application to the major is 3.0 (STARS reports available online at OASIS; transcripts may be obtained in the SAS lobby.)

C. Personal Statement

A personal statement is required of all applicants. This is a statement of intent describing the goals and abilities of the student in the field of art. The statement should explain how majoring in Fine Arts will help the applicant reach these goals.

D. Slide Portfolio

A portfolio of 10-15 images of recent artwork is required. Slides should be properly labeled with your name, media, dimensions and date, and should be submitted in a clear plastic slide sheet. Images may also be submitted on a Mac/PC compatible CD.

**SUBMIT ALL MATERIALS DIRECTLY TO:
USC ROSKI SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS, WATT HALL 104, LOS ANGELES, CA 90089-0292
Deadline for Fall Semester – March 1st; for Spring Semester – October 1st**

IMPORTANT:

It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure all required materials have been submitted. Be aware that an application will not be considered for admission if any of the required documents are missing. *Please DO NOT submit your application in folders, binders, portfolios or other creative packaging; just one staple in the corner and a manila envelope will suffice.*

PENELOPE JONES, DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS
USC Roski School of Fine Arts (213) 740-9153

Date received by SOFA: _____

USC Roski School of Fine Arts

Information on Becoming a Fine Arts Major

For students currently enrolled at USC

What's the difference between the BA and the BFA degree options?

The Bachelor of Arts is a liberal arts degree. You are held to all university general education requirements. You have 32 units of required Fine Arts and Art History coursework, plus 32 units of additional studio requirements. If you want to double major or take a minor, the BA works better. The Bachelor of Fine Arts is a professional arts degree. You are held to all the university general education requirements except for the foreign language requirement. You have the same 32 units of required Fine Arts and Art History coursework, plus 64 units of additional studio requirements. Details available at http://roski.usc.edu/downloads/major_curriculum.pdf

Is one degree better than the other?

It depends on what you feel is important. In the BFA, you have more studio requirements, so you may end up with a larger or more developed portfolio. In the BA, you have some room to take electives or a minor in other departments and schools on campus.

What are the requirements for being admitted into the Fine Arts major?

- Current USC students need to submit an application, current copies of their USC transcripts, a personal statement, and a portfolio of 10-15 slides or CD images.
- To be competitive, your cumulative USC GPA must be at least 3.00. If you have not completed one semester at USC yet, please wait until your grades have posted.
- For preparation, we require that you complete 8 – 12 units of Fine Arts courses before you apply. Please select from the following: FA 101a Drawing, FA 102 Design Fundamentals, FA 106 Sculpture, FA 150 Visual Culture and Literacy. This is to familiarize yourself with the classes at USC Roski School of Fine Arts, and to insure your intent.

When can I apply?

The application deadlines are March 1st for the fall semester, and October 1st for the spring semester.

Can I take USC Roski School of Fine Arts classes if I am not a major?

Yes. You can actually take up to 20 units of Fine Arts classes as a non-major. We welcome students from other schools and departments. All classes are available to non-majors except those specifically designated for Fine Arts majors, such as FA 450x Senior Seminar. Priority for departmental authorization to enroll in certain courses goes to current Fine Arts Majors and Minors. You can request to be put on our non-major/minor waitlist for these courses by coming into Watt Hall 116, calling (213) 821-1290, or emailing us at faadvs@usc.edu.

What are the requirements for the FA major?

The best source for degree requirements is the USC General Catalogue you received when you first entered USC as a student. On-line at www.usc.edu/catalogue

Don't I follow the current requirements?

No. If you entered USC in 2004 and you are only just now signing up for the major, you will be held to the requirements from 2004.

Who do I speak with if I have more questions?

Direct questions to Penelope Jones, the Director of Admissions at USC Roski School of Fine Arts: e-mail penelope@usc.edu, phone 213-740-9153, or leave a note in her mailbox in WAH 104.

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