



**Oakton Community College Transfer Guide  
Bachelor of Arts in Art  
(Studio Art Concentration)**

**Available at:  
NEIU Main Campus (Chicago, IL)**

**Why Choose Northeastern?**

Northeastern Illinois University is committed to providing an affordable education. That’s why our tuition and fees are among the most affordable of the Illinois public universities. We offer a **tuition guarantee program** that guarantees incoming students the same tuition rate for four years.

Northeastern offers more than 40 undergraduate degree and certificate programs, with classes on weekdays, evenings, weekends, and online. Small class sizes allow for students to pursue a more personal academic experience in one of the most ethnically diverse universities in the nation.

**Art (Studio Art Concentration) Program Description**

Northeastern’s Department of Art + Design offers an undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art. The fundamental objective of the Art + Design Department programs is to provide and promote a knowledge and understanding of the visual arts. The studio concentration gives students hands-on exposure to a variety of skills, both analytic and technical, in order to help students express concepts visually. Programs in the department prepare students to pursue graduate school, careers in the arts or teaching, and emphasize lifelong learning.

**Contact Information**

**Northeastern Illinois University Transfer Center:** Students who have questions about the program prior to admission may contact the Northeastern Transfer Center at (773) 442-4076 or email [TransferSteps@neiu.edu](mailto:TransferSteps@neiu.edu).

**Admission Requirements**

- Students must have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher for all college or university course work attempted. Students must be in good academic standing at the last college or university attended.
- Required documents are: application for admission, \$30 nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from all colleges and universities.
- Additional Admission and application materials, including the option to apply online can be found at [www.neiu.edu/Transfer](http://www.neiu.edu/Transfer).
- Application deadlines are as follows:

| Semester Applying | Deadline to Apply | International Student Deadline to Apply |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| Fall              | July 15           | June 15                                 |
| Spring            | November 1        | October 1                               |
| Summer I          | April 1           | March 1                                 |
| Summer II         | May 1             | April 1                                 |

## General Education Requirements

Three options are available to students who plan to complete their General Education requirements at Oakton Community College.

- **Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree:** Students who transfer with an approved Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Model Associate of Arts degree will have met Northeastern Illinois University's General Education requirements. Students who transfer with an Associate of Science degree granted December 2016 or later may need to take one additional Humanities course and one additional Social and Behavioral Sciences course to meet Northeastern's General Education requirements.
- **Completion of the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI):** Students who transfer after completing the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) will have met their General Education requirements.
- **Transfer Course Lists for Oakton Community College:** Students may choose to meet their General Education requirements by selecting courses from Northeastern's Transfer Course Equivalency Guides, available at: [www.neiu.edu/Transfer](http://www.neiu.edu/Transfer). *When choosing this option, please use the following Northeastern Illinois University General Education guide:*

| Northeastern Illinois University General Education Program   |         |   |
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| The General Education Program requires a minimum of <b>39 credit hours</b> of courses distributed among 6 areas. |         |   |
| Northeastern Illinois University Requirement   | Credits | Oakton Community College Equivalent (if any)  |
| <b>Math / Quantitative Reasoning – one course (3 hours)</b>  | 3       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● This requirement can be met by completing <b>MAT 125 or higher</b> at Oakton Community College with a grade of "C" or better.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Social / Behavioral Sciences<br/>3 courses (9 hours)</b>  | 9       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No more than two courses from the same department may be used.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Natural Sciences<br/>3 courses (9 hours)</b>  | 9       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No more than two courses from the same department may be used.</li> <li>● One course must have a <b>lab</b> component.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Fine Arts<br/>2 courses (6 hours)</b>   | 6       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>ART 111</b> Art History: Prehistoric to Renaissance (3)</li> <li>● <b>ART 112</b> Art History: Renaissance to Modern (3)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Humanities<br/>3 courses (9 hours)</b>  | 9       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No more than two courses from the same department may be used.</li> <li>● No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Non-General Education University Requirements (3-6 hours)</b>   | 3-6     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>EGL 101</b> Composition I at Oakton Community College with a grade of "C" or better.</li> <li>● Improving Human Relations Requirement – can be met through one of many general education courses. Please see the <a href="#">Oakton Community College Transfer Course Equivalency Guide</a> to find courses meeting the Human Relations requirement.</li> </ul> |

## Degree Plan\*

| D: Degree<br>GECC: General<br>Education Core<br>Curriculum |      |   |                       |   |   | Semester-by-Semester Program Plan for Full-Time Students   |  |  |  |  |
|--|------|---|-----------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |      |   |                       |   |   | <i>*All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters</i>  |  |  |  |  |
| D  | GECC | Semester 1  | Oakton Category       | NEIU Category                                     | Next Actions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | EGL 101 Composition I (3)                           | Communication         | Writing Requirement                               | <b>DO THIS</b> – Meet with advisor to discuss academic goals and plan coursework    |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | Social Science Course (3)                           | Social Science        | General Education                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | SPE 103 Effective Speech (3)                        | Communication         | General Education                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | Humanities Course (3)                               | Humanities            | General Education                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | ART 131 Drawing I (3)                               | Elective              | Major Requirement – ART 120                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>15 Credit Hours</b>                                     |      |   |                       |   |   | <b>DO THIS</b> – Visit your campus Advising Center   |  |  |  |  |
| D  | GECC | Semester 2  | Oakton Category       | NEIU Category                                     | Next Actions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | EGL 102 Composition II (3)                          | Communication         | Elective  | <b>DO THIS</b> – Mid-term check-in with advisor                                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | Life Science or Physical Science Course (3-4)       | Life/Physical Science | General Education                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | MAT 125 or higher (3)                               | Mathematics           | Math/Quantitative Reasoning                       | <b>DO THIS</b> – <a href="#">Apply</a> to NEIU's Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP) |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | ART 111 Art History: Prehistoric to Renaissance (3) | Fine Arts             | General Education<br>Major Requirement – ARTH 106 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | ART 231 Drawing II (3)                              | Elective              | Major Requirement – ART 220                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>15-16 Credit Hours</b>                                  |      |   |                       |   |   | <b>DO THIS</b> – Mid-term check-in with advisor  |  |  |  |  |
| D  | GECC | Semester 3  | Oakton Category       | NEIU Category                                     | Next Actions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | Life Science or Physical Science Course (3-4)       | Life/Physical Science | General Education                                 | <b>DO THIS</b> – Begin seeking additional four-year funding                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | ART 112 Art History: Renaissance to Modern (3)      | Humanities/Fine Arts  | General Education<br>Major Requirement – ARTH 107 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | Social Science Course (3)                           | Social Science        | General Education                                 | <b>DO THIS</b> – <a href="#">Apply for admission</a> to NEIU                        |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | ART 105 Fund of 2-Dimensional Design (3)            | Elective              | Major Requirement – ART 130                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | ART 117, 132, or 134 select one (3)                 | Elective              | Major Requirement – ART 200-level Elective        |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>15-16 Credit Hours</b>                                  |      |   |                       |   |   | <b>DO THIS</b> – Petition to graduate<br><br><b>COMPLETION</b> of Associate of Arts Degree<br><br><b>DO THIS</b> – <a href="#">Register for NEIU orientation</a> (once admitted) |  |  |  |  |
| D  | GECC | Semester 4  | Oakton Category       | NEIU Category                                     | Next Actions  |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  | •    | Social Science Course (3)                           | Social Science        | General Education                                 | <b>DO THIS</b> – Petition to graduate   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | ART 107 Fund. of 3-Dimensional Design (3)           | Elective              | Major Requirement – ART 140                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | ART 117, 132, or 134 select one (3)                 | Elective              | Major Requirement – ART 200-Level Elective        | <b>DO THIS</b> – <a href="#">Register for NEIU orientation</a> (once admitted)      |  |  |  |  |  |
| •  |      | Elective Course (3)                                 | Elective              | Elective  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| <b>15 Credit Hours</b>                                     |      |   |                       |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>MINIMUM TOTAL AA CREDIT HOURS: 60</b>                   |      |   |                       |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>WRITTEN DEGREE PLAN CREDIT RANGE: 60-62</b>             |      |   |                       |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |

**Note:**

- All Oakton Community College students must complete two courses, one in U.S. Diversity and one in Global Studies, as part of their associate's degree. See your Oakton Community College advisor for course options.
- All students who earn an Associate of Arts Degree from Oakton Community College enter Northeastern with 64 hours of transfer credit, even if they earned less than 64 credit hours. See the [NEIU Transfer Policy](#) for further information.
- Students have the option of completing a minor course of study along with their major in Art. Minor courses of study at Northeastern are 18-21 credit hours and can be completed in place of general electives without adding additional semesters or credit hours to a student's graduation plan.

| <b>Northeastern Illinois University</b>  |   |  |
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| <i>All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters</i> |   |  |
| <b>Semester 5</b>  | <b>NEIU Category</b>                    | <b>Next Actions</b>  |
| ART 234 Digital Foundations (3)  | Major Requirement<br>ELE-X Requirement  | <b>DO THIS</b> – Meet with the ART + Design department to declare your ART major |
| ART 200-Level Elective (Select from designated list) (3)   | Major Requirement                       |  |
| Any Level Elective (3)   | Elective                                |  |
| Any Level Elective (3)   | Elective                                |  |
| 300 Level Elective (3)   | Elective/Upper Division                 |  |
| <b>15 Credit Hours</b>   |   |  |
| <b>Semester 6</b>  | <b>NEIU Category</b>                    | <b>Next Actions</b>  |
| ART 300-Level Elective in Studio Emphasis (in consultation with ART advisor) (3)                       | Major Requirement                       | <b>DO THIS</b> – Meet with your ART advisor                                      |
| ARTH 300 Contemporary Art (3)  | Major Requirement                       |  |
| Any Level Elective (3)   | Elective                                |  |
| 300 Level Elective (3)   | Elective/Upper Division                 |  |
| 300 Level Elective (1)   | Elective/Upper Division                 |  |
| <b>13 Credit Hours</b>   |   |  |
| <b>Semester 7</b>  | <b>NEIU Category</b>                    | <b>Next Actions</b>  |
| ART 300-Level Elective in Studio Emphasis (in consultation with advisor) (3)                           | Major Requirement                       | <b>DO THIS</b> – Meet with your ART advisor                                      |
| ARTH 300-Level ELE Elective (Western) (3)  | Major Requirement<br>ELE Requirement    |  |
| ART 395 WIP: Professional Practice in Studio Art (3)   | Major Requirement<br>WIP Requirement    | <b>DO THIS</b> – Apply for graduation  |
| 300 Level Elective (3)   | Elective/Upper Division                 |  |
| 300 Level Elective (3)   | Elective/Upper Division                 |  |
| <b>15 Credit Hours</b>   |   |  |
| <b>Semester 8</b>  | <b>NEIU Category</b>                    | <b>Next Actions</b>  |
| ARTH 300-Level Elective (Non-Western) (3)  | Major Requirement                       | <b>DO THIS</b> – Meet with your ART advisor                                      |
| ART 300-Level Elective in Studio Emphasis (in consultation with advisor) (3)                           | Major Requirement                       |  |
| ART 396 Senior Seminar and Exhibit (3)   | Major Requirement<br>ELE-DS Requirement | <b>DO THIS</b> – Meet with Career Services for career counseling                 |
| 300 Level Elective (3)   | Elective/Upper Division                 |  |
| Any Level Elective (1)   | Elective                                | <b>COMPLETION</b> of Bachelor of Arts Degree                                     |
| <b>13 Credit Hours</b>   |   |  |
| <b>BACHELOR'S DEGREE MINIMUM TOTAL: 120 CREDIT HOURS</b>   |   |  |

## Financial Aid and Scholarships

For information about financing your education at Northeastern, including Financial Aid and Scholarship opportunities, please see our website: <http://www.neiu.edu/financial-aid/>. You may also contact our Financial Aid Office directly at (773) 442-5016 or email [Financial-Aid@neiu.edu](mailto:Financial-Aid@neiu.edu). If you are completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Northeastern's federal School code is **001693**.

### Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships for TRANSFER students\*:

| Scholarship   | Amount Awarded | Credit Hour Requirement | GPA Requirement | Residency Requirement | NEIU Enrollment Requirement  |
|---------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| Provost Merit | \$2,000        | 60+ credit hours        | 3.50 GPA        | Illinois Residency    | Full-Time (12+ credit hours) |
| Dean's Merit  | \$1,000        | 60+ credit hours        | 3.0 GPA         | Illinois Residency    | Full-Time (12+ credit hours) |

*Until all of the scholarships are awarded, students who meet these qualifications will automatically be considered for the Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships at the time of applying for admission to Northeastern. Completing an additional application is not necessary. The Office of Scholarships may be reached at (773) 442-4606 or [scholarships@neu.edu](mailto:scholarships@neu.edu).*

#### **Art + Design Department Merit Scholarship**

**Application Deadlines:** April 1 for Fall semester and November 1 for Spring semester. The online application and guidelines can be found on the [Art + Design Department website under Art Department Scholarships](#).