Arts and Administration

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The Arts and Administration Program—the only one of its kind in the Pacific Northwest—combines knowledge in the visual, literary, and performing arts with social, cultural, managerial, and educational concerns that pertain to administering nonprofit, for-profit, and public arts organizations and programs. The field of specialization is arts management, with concentrations in community arts, media management, museum studies, and performing arts. It is a multidisciplinary field, dedicated to increasing opportunities in arts and culture for individuals and society. A growing number of scholars critically examine issues in the arts and society from community to international-policy levels. Study of these issues is vital to effective arts management for cultural preservation and advancement in the United States and abroad.

The program offers an undergraduate minor in arts management, master of arts (MA) or master of science (MS) degrees in arts management, and a graduate certificate in museum studies.

Faculty


Doug Blandy, professor (art and community service, art and special populations); associate dean, academic affairs. BS, 1974, Ohio; MA, 1979, PhD, 1983, Ohio State. (1987)


Emeriti


Rogena M. Degge, professor emerita. BA, 1964, Fresno State; MS, 1972, PhD, 1975, Oregon. (1979)


Jane Gehring, associate professor emerita. BS, 1940, Michigan State Teachers; MS, 1960, Oregon. (1958)

Beverly J. Jones, associate professor emerita. BS, 1967, Oregon College of Education; MS, 1976, PhD, 1977, Oregon. (1977)

The date in parentheses at the end of each entry is the first year on the University of Oregon faculty.

Affiliated

Lisa Abia-Smith, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art

David Bretz, Academic Extension

Michael Bukowski, Academic Extension

Elizabeth Hoffman, Academic Extension

Scott Huette, Academic Extension

David Turner, Academic Extension

Robert Voelker-Morris, University Teaching and Learning Center

Minor

Undergraduate Studies

Undergraduate courses that are approved for the arts and letters group requirement are listed on the registrar’s website (https://registrar.uoregon.edu/current-students/group-satisfying-and-multicultural-courses).

Students from all UO majors may minor in arts management. The minor is designed for students with an interest in participating in, leading, and managing arts organizations and activities across the arts sector.

Participatory learning experiences in the form of practicums with local arts organizations provide students with practical learning opportunities that extend the classroom into the community and provide students with important professional experiences and connections.

Course requirements encourage students to understand the relationships among arts and culture, ethnicity, politics, economics, education, class, gender, age, and occupation. Students graduating with a minor in arts management are prepared to work in a variety of settings within the arts sector and to successfully implement methodologies for arts program development and arts administration across a range of formal
and informal, for-profit, nonprofit, and public arts organizations within a community.

The minor requires 28 credits with grades of C+ or better. A minimum of 20 credits must come from courses with the AAD subject code. Up to 8 upper-division credits may come from your major area, with specific approval by the arts management minor advisor.

**Minor in Arts Management Requirements**

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- Master of Arts
- Master of Science
- Certificate in Museum Studies

**Graduate Studies**

The design of the master’s degree program in arts management is based on the underlying belief that professional arts managers must be familiar with the social, cultural, political, and ethical contexts of the arts in general.

**Program Objectives**

1. Prepare students for professional leadership positions in international, national, and regional public and private arts and cultural organizations, including museums and galleries, community nonprofit organizations, arts foundations, performing arts centers, and festivals
2. Provide field experience in arts agencies by incorporating a field-based internship component that enhances the student’s ability to move into professional positions in arts and cultural organizations
3. Facilitate the development of individual research projects that contribute to the body of knowledge on the theory and practice of arts policy, administration, and management in an era of dynamic sociocultural change
4. Provide opportunities for students to enhance their knowledge and skills or develop new careers in the arts

**Careers**

The master’s degree in arts management, depending on the chosen concentration, offers preparation for students who seek administrative careers in the visual arts, performing arts, community arts, or the arts in health-care management in the public, nonprofit, or the private sector.

**Admission**

Admission to graduate study requires previous study in the visual or performing arts and the humanities. Although an undergraduate degree in the arts is not required, related course work or equivalent professional experience is standard. Applicants from the business, management, and social science fields are encouraged. Applicants are asked to indicate interest in a particular concentration area when they apply; application materials are reviewed with this interest in mind; and appropriate entry qualifications are examined.

Students planning graduate study may find information and application forms by visiting the program’s website.

Admission is determined by the arts management master’s degree admissions committee, which consists of faculty members of the Arts and Administration Program and faculty representatives from concentration areas when appropriate.

The admissions committee considers every aspect of the applicant’s file when making its decision for admission. No standardized test is required. Financial aid in the form of a limited number of teaching, research, or administrative fellowships is available, typically to second-year students. The Graduate School has information about fellowship options that are open to students from any program, at any point in their studies. See the Graduate School section of this catalog.

**Master’s Degree Requirements**

The requirements listed below are subject to change.

The master’s degree in arts management is designed to be a two-year, full-time program, with a deliberate progression of cumulative coursework; however, students may take up to seven years to complete the program. Students pursue a master of science (MS) or a master of arts (MA) degree, completing a minimum of 72 credits. The MA degree requires competence equivalent to second-year study in a second language.

Study in the master’s degree program has three parts:

1. Core and management courses, including a communications technology component
2. A concentration area or area of specialization
3. Research and practice, including a summer internship between the first and second years of study

Students learn the techniques needed to analyze and develop arts policy as well as skills in grant and research report writing and review. In addition to course work and an internship, students are required to complete a master’s degree project, capstone project, or thesis that demonstrates in-depth knowledge of practical or theoretical issues of importance to professionals in public, nonprofit, and private arts organizations from diverse social and cultural settings. Projects often focus on issues that were explored during the student’s internship.
## Master of Arts Requirements

### Core Courses
- PPPM507 Seminar: [Topic] (Financial Management for Arts Organizations) 4
- AAD522 Arts Program Theory 4
- AAD550 Art in Society 4
- AAD562 Cultural Policy 4
- AAD612 Cultural Administration 4
- Courses chosen in consultation with advisor 8

### Research
- AAD605 Reading and Conference: [Topic] (Research Reading) 1
- AAD630 Research Methodology 4
- AAD631 Research Proposal Development 3
- Select one of the following: 6-9
  - AAD503 Thesis (minimum 9 credits)
  - AAD601 Research: [Topic] (Project or Capstone Research, minimum 6 credits)

### Internship
- Select from the following: 6
  - AAD604 Internship: [Topic] (Internship I, 1 credit)
  - AAD604 Internship: [Topic] (Internship II, 4-6 credits)
  - AAD604 Internship: [Topic] (Internship III, 1 credit)

### Electives
- 16

### Total Credits
- 64-67

1 Further course work toward degree requirements, including coursework in the area of arts marketing, media, and communications, and toward elective courses are chosen in consultation with an advisor.

### Foreign Language Requirement
Competence equivalent to second-year study in a second language.

## Master of Science Requirements

### Core Courses
- PPPM507 Seminar: [Topic] (Financial Management for Arts Organizations) 4
- AAD522 Arts Program Theory 4
- AAD550 Art in Society 4
- AAD562 Cultural Policy 4
- AAD612 Cultural Administration 4
- Courses chosen in consultation with advisor 8

### Research
- AAD605 Reading and Conference: [Topic] (Research Reading) 1
- AAD630 Research Methodology 4
- AAD631 Research Proposal Development 3
- Select one of the following: 6-9
  - AAD503 Thesis (minimum 9 credits)
  - AAD601 Research: [Topic] (Project or Capstone Research, minimum 6 credits)

### Internship
- Select from the following: 6
  - AAD604 Internship: [Topic] (Internship I, 1 credit)
  - AAD604 Internship: [Topic] (Internship II, 4-6 credits)
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### Electives
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### Total Credits
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### Core Courses
Courses address the study and management of the arts in social and cultural contexts with a focus on arts policy and information management. Nonprofit and for-profit organizations and issues are addressed.

### Research and Practice
Candidates for the master’s degree complete terminal research in the form of a thesis, research capstone, individual research project, or group field-based professional project. Required courses in research methodology and professional practice prepare students for the summer internship and for writing the paper or thesis.

### Area of Concentration
Selection of a concentration area allows students to pursue study that contributes to specific professional goals. A curricular plan is developed with an advisor during the first term of graduate study. Four concentration areas are available:
- community arts management
- museum studies and management
- performing arts management
- arts in health-care management

### Technology
A personal computer facilitates work in software applications and research for courses. Minimum recommendations for hardware and software are included on the program’s website.

### Certificate in Museum Studies
The multidisciplinary, graduate-level museum studies certificate is awarded through the School of Architecture and Allied Arts, with the cooperation of the Arts and Administration Program; the Departments of Anthropology and the History of Art and Architecture; and campus museum professionals.

### Museum Studies Certificate Requirements

#### Department Degree Requirements

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#### Museum Studies Core and Electives

| AAD510 | Experimental Course: [Topic] | 1-5 |
| AAD529 | Museum Education | 4 |
Students exit the program with practical and theoretical museum management strategies that are applicable in leadership positions in small to large, community to national, public or private museums.

**Arts and Administration as a Supporting Area of Study for Doctoral Students in the School of Music and Dance**

Arts administration is available as a supporting area of study for School of Music and Dance DMA and PhD students. The supporting area is generally viewed as mastery of an area of study at a master’s degree level, although no master’s degree is gained, and may be linked with the student’s primary doctoral research interest areas and professional goals. Refer to Doctoral Degree Programs in the School of Music and Dance section of this catalog. Prospective students must apply directly to the Arts and Administration Program, but should begin the application process by contacting a staff member in the School of Music and Dance graduate office for more information.

**Courses**

**AAD198. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD199. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD250. Art and Human Values. 4 Credits.**
Addresses fundamental aesthetic theory and practice questions resulting from viewing art as a powerful communicator of social and cultural values. Values, rights, and responsibilities of the contemporary visual environment.

**AAD251. The Arts and Visual Literacy. 4 Credits.**
Explores ways in which physical, perceptual, affective, and cognitive modes of learning interact when viewing, interpreting, and assessing designed visual information within sociocultural contexts.

**AAD252. Art and Gender. 4 Credits.**
Addresses sociocultural factors influencing roles of women and men in arts disciplines. Examines underlying social structures that affect how we define art and artists.

**AAD301. Understanding Arts and Creative Sectors. 4 Credits.**
Mapping the concepts of “art world” and “creative sector” as they relate to each other and to the practice of arts administration.

**AAD312. Arts Management. 4 Credits.**
Introduces the field of professional management of arts organizations such as museums, galleries, community arts centers, and performing arts centers.

**AAD315. Funding the Arts. 4 Credits.**
Introduces the marketing and fundraising management functions in arts organizations such as museums, galleries, community arts centers, and performing arts organizations.

**AAD399. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD401. Research: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD404. Internship: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD405. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD406. Special Problems: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD407. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD408. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD409. Practicum: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.**
Repeatable.

**AAD410. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.**
Repeatable. Current topics are The Cultural Museum, The History Museum, Performing Arts Policy and Administration.

**AAD420. Event Management. 4 Credits.**
Examines management practices and trends of special events, festival, celebrations, and fundraisers sponsored by organizations.

**AAD421. Cultural Programming. 4 Credits.**
Explores the practice and theory related to arts and cultural programming in the public sector.

**AAD422. Arts Program Theory. 4 Credits.**
Explores program theory, principles, and practices associated with comprehensive arts programs.

**AAD425. Ethics in the Arts and Museums. 4 Credits.**
Introduces current ethical concerns relevant to museums and the audiences they serve and focuses on the philosophical and practical dilemmas faced by exhibiting institutions.

**AAD428. The Cultural Museum. 3 Credits.**
Introduces students to museum studies—the study of museum history, theory, and practice—from an anthropological perspective. Satisfies a core requirement for the graduate certificate in museum studies.

**AAD429. Museum Education. 4 Credits.**
Examines theory and practice of museum education. Analyzes program-development approaches for university and community audiences; creates educational materials for campus and local museums.

**AAD430. Youth Arts Curriculum and Methods. 4 Credits.**
Teachers in training are provided introductory knowledge and skills necessary for implementing arts instruction as an integral part of the core curriculum for younger learners.

**AAD434. Entrepreneurship and the Arts. 4 Credits.**
Provides exploration into the evolution of entrepreneurship in the arts; instructs emerging artists to assess their entrepreneurial potential and develop strategic planning skills in finance, legal issues, and cultural leadership.

**AAD435. Arts Business Development. 4 Credits.**
Integrating the entrepreneurial startup process with business skills; developing the strategies needed to transform creative ideas into successful ventures.

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1 A total of 16 credits must be taken in the museum studies core and electives.
2 A variety of elective courses—many offered by departments outside the School of Architecture and Allied Arts—may be applied to the certificate requirements. The certificate program culminates with a presentation by the student.
AAD450. Art in Society. 4 Credits.
Concepts derived from anthropology, philosophy, sociology, and art education are used to examine fine, popular, folk, industrial, and environmental art forms in contemporary society.

AAD451. Community Cultural Development. 4 Credits.
Overview of services that art and art educators perform in the community. Explores settings, constituencies, philosophical approaches, methodologies, planning, and funding of community art programs.

AAD462. Cultural Policy. 4 Credits.
Examines the impact of cultural policies and institutions on opportunities of the artistic community, on what art forms are made accessible, and on the general aesthetic welfare of the public.

AAD465. Marketing the Arts. 4 Credits.
Contemporary theory, issues, and skills important to marketing the arts in nonprofit, for-profit, and public cultural organizations.

AAD471. Performing Arts Management. 4 Credits.
Examines development of cultural-policy institutions and processes worldwide; emphasis on understanding contemporary American cultural-policy issues. Governance and strategic planning; executive leadership; management; revenue; developing audiences; cross-cultural interactions.

AAD472. Artistic Administration in the Performing Arts. 4 Credits.
Focuses on developing leadership and management skills for professional nonprofit performing arts administration (e.g., theater, music, opera, dance). Topics in artistic administration, programming, artist management, and operations and production management.

AAD484. Advanced Information Design and Presentation. 3 Credits.
Examines the design and presentation of information processed electronically and traditionally. Uses concepts from art and graphic design; computer, behavioral, and social sciences. Practical applications in business, education, and communications.

AAD485. Multimedia for Arts and Administrators. 3 Credits.
Examines multimedia tools, platforms, and trends that influence information retrieval, display, and presentation. Uses concepts from graphic design, information processing, and project management. Prereq: AAD 484 or equivalent.

AAD503. Thesis. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD507. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD508. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-18 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD510. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable. Current topics are The Cultural Museum, The History Museum, Performing Arts Policy and Administration.

AAD520. Event Management. 4 Credits.
Examines management practices and trends of special events, festival, celebrations, and fundraisers sponsored by organizations.

AAD521. Cultural Programming. 4 Credits.
Explores the practice and theory related to arts and cultural programming in the public sector.

AAD522. Arts Program Theory. 4 Credits.
Explores program theory, principles, and practices associated with comprehensive arts programs.

AAD525. Ethics in the Arts and Museums. 4 Credits.
Introduces current ethical concerns relevant to museums and the audiences they serve and focuses on the philosophical and practical dilemmas faced by exhibiting institutions.

AAD528. The Cultural Museum. 3 Credits.
Introduces students to museum studies—the study of museum history, theory, and practice—from an anthropological perspective. Satisfies a core requirement for the graduate certificate in museum studies.

AAD529. Museum Education. 4 Credits.
Examines theory and practice of museum education. Analyzes program-development approaches for university and community audiences; creates educational materials for campus and local museums.

AAD530. Youth Arts Curriculum and Methods. 4 Credits.
Teachers in training are provided introductory knowledge and skills necessary for implementing arts instruction as an integral part of the core curriculum for younger learners.

AAD550. Art in Society. 4 Credits.
Concepts derived from anthropology, philosophy, sociology, and art education are used to examine fine, popular, folk, industrial, and environmental art forms in contemporary society.

AAD551. Community Cultural Development. 4 Credits.
Overview of services that art and art educators perform in the community. Explores settings, constituencies, philosophical approaches, methodologies, planning, and funding of community art programs.

AAD562. Cultural Policy. 4 Credits.
Examines the impact of cultural policies and institutions on opportunities of the artistic community, on what art forms are made accessible, and on the general aesthetic welfare of the public.

AAD565. Marketing the Arts. 4 Credits.
Contemporary theory, issues, and skills important to marketing the arts in nonprofit, for-profit, and public cultural organizations.

AAD571. Performing Arts Management. 4 Credits.
Examines development of cultural-policy institutions and processes worldwide; emphasis on understanding contemporary American cultural-policy issues. Governance and strategic planning; executive leadership; management; revenue; developing audiences; cross-cultural interactions.

AAD572. Artistic Administration in the Performing Arts. 4 Credits.
Focuses on developing leadership and management skills for professional nonprofit performing arts administration (e.g., theater, music, opera, dance). Topics in artistic administration, programming, artist management, and operations and production management.

AAD584. Advanced Information Design and Presentation. 3 Credits.
Examines the design and presentation of information processed electronically and traditionally. Uses concepts from art and graphic design; computer, behavioral, and social sciences. Practical applications in business, education, and communications.

AAD585. Multimedia for Arts and Administrators. 3 Credits.
Examines multimedia tools, platforms, and trends that influence information retrieval, display, and presentation. Uses concepts from graphic design, information processing, and project management. Prereq: AAD 484/584 or equivalent.

AAD601. Research: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD602. Supervised College Teaching. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.
AAD604. Internship: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD605. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD606. Special Problems: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD607. Seminar: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD608. Workshop: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD609. Practicum: [Topic]. 1-16 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD610. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

AAD612. Cultural Administration. 4 Credits.
Provides a grounded foundation for course work in the Arts and Administration Program.

AAD630. Research Methodology. 4 Credits.
Scientific bases and classification of research; methodologies used in descriptive, analytical, and experimental research. Development of research proposals and critique of research reports.

AAD631. Research Proposal Development. 3 Credits.
Conceptualize, research, and develop proposal for graduate thesis or project.
Prereq: AAD 630