School of Arts and Humanities

Minors

Students must take a minimum of 18 semester credit hours for the minor, 12 of which must be upper-division semester credit hours. Students who take a minor will be expected to meet the normal prerequisites in courses making up the minor, and should maintain a minimum GPA of 2.00 on a 4.00 scale (C average). Semester credit hours may not be used to satisfy both the major and minor requirements; however, free elective semester credit hours or major preparatory classes may be used to satisfy the minor. Core courses offered by the school may count as lower-division semester credit hours toward the minor. Topics courses must be approved by the school. The School of Arts and Humanities will substitute courses as necessary. At least one-third of the semester credit hours for a minor must be taken at The University of Texas at Dallas. The undergraduate minors in the School of Arts & Humanities follow:

- Art History
- Asian Studies
- Communication
- Creative Writing
- Dance
- Film Studies
- History
- Latin American Studies
- Literature
- Medical and Scientific Humanities
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Philosophy
- Spanish
- Theatre
- Visual Arts

Minor in Art History: 18 semester credit hours

Choose any 18 semester credit hours from all AHST courses, ARTS 1301, and VPAS 3300. 12 semester credit hours must be upper-division.
Minor in Asian Studies: 18 semester credit hours

Language Courses (must enroll in a minimum of two sequential courses in either Chinese or Japanese at UT Dallas)

**CHIN 1311** Beginning Chinese I  
**CHIN 1312** Beginning Chinese II  
**CHIN 2311** Intermediate Chinese I  
**CHIN 2312** Intermediate Chinese II  
**CHIN 3365** Advanced Chinese I  
**JAPN 1311** Beginning Japanese I  
**JAPN 1312** Beginning Japanese II  
**JAPN 2311** Intermediate Japanese I  
**JAPN 2312** Intermediate Japanese II  
**JAPN 3311** Advanced Japanese I  
**JAPN 3312** Advanced Japanese II  
**LANG 3342** Advanced Language Instruction  
**LANG 3348** Topics in Language  
**LANG 4348** Advanced Topics in Language

Related Courses

**AHST 3321** Chinese Art History  
**HIST 3312** Early China  
**HIST 3313** Medieval China  
**HIST 3314** Tang Dynasty China  
**HIST 4358** Topics in Asian History  
**HIST 4376** Topics in History

Minor in Communication: 18 semester credit hours

**Foundations: 3 semester credit hours**

Choose one course from the following:
COMM 1311 Survey of Oral and Technology-based Communication
COMM 1315 Public Speaking
COMM 1320 Interpersonal Communication
COMM 2314 Oral Interpretation

Communication Electives: 15 semester credit hours
15 semester credit hours of upper-level COMM courses.

Minor in Creative Writing: 18 semester credit hours

Required Course: 3 semester credit hours
CRWT 2301 Introductory Creative Writing

Genres: 9 semester credit hours (repeated courses allowed, minimum of two genres required)
CRWT 3307 Creating Short Stories
CRWT 3308 Creating Nonfictions
CRWT 3351 Creating Poetry

Advanced work: 6 semester credit hours (repeated courses allowed)
CRWT 4307 Creating Short Stories: Advanced
CRWT 4353 Creating Poetry: Advanced
CRWT 4354 Creating Scripts
CRWT 4V71 Independent Study in Creative Writing

Minor in Dance: 18 semester credit hours

Dance Historical Study: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one lower-division course from the following:
DANC 1310 Understanding Dance
DANC 1305 Introduction to World Dance Forms
DANC 2V71 Independent Study in Dance (1-3 semester credit hours)

Performance and Technical Study: 15 semester credit hours
Choose one required course from the following (3 semester credit hours):

- **DANC 3345** Dance Performance
- **DANC 4317** Dance Performance 2
- **DANC 3347** Dance Composition

Choose four courses from the following (12 semester credit hours, no more than 3 semester credit hours can be at the lower level):

- **DANC 2311** Topics in Dance
- **DANC 2321** Stretch, Conditioning, Alignment
- **DANC 2331** Dance Technique 1
- **DANC 2332** Modern Dance 1
- **DANC 2333** Jazz Dance 1
- **DANC 2334** Ballet 1
- **DANC 2336** Tap Dance 1
- **DANC 3332** Dance Technique 2
- **DANC 3333** Modern Dance 2
- **DANC 3334** Jazz Dance 2
- **DANC 3335** Ballet 2
- **DANC 3340** Dance in Historical Context
- **DANC 3342** Advanced Topics in Dance
- **DANC 3345** Dance Performance
- **DANC 3347** Dance Composition
- **DANC 4313** Dance Technique 3
- **DANC 4314** Modern Dance 3
- **DANC 4315** Ballet 3
- **DANC 4316** Jazz Dance 3
- **DANC 4317** Dance Performance 2
- **DANC 4318** Dance Technique 4
- **DANC 4V71** Independent Study in Dance
Minor in Film Studies: 18 semester credit hours

Required Course: 3 semester credit hours

**FILM 2332** Understanding Film

Media, Arts and Performance Foundations: 3 semester credit hours

Choose one course from the following (3 semester credit hours):

- **AHST 2331** Understanding Art
- **ARTS 2350** Photography: Design
- **ARTS 2380** Visual Design Foundations
- **ATCM 2321** Reading Media Critically
- **ATCM 2302** Design I
- **ATCM 2301** Computer Imaging
- **ATCM 2345** Principles of Digital Audio
- **CRWT 2301** Introductory Creative Writing
- **DANC 1310** Understanding Dance
- **THEA 1351** Acting I
- **THEA 1310** Understanding Theatre

Foundations in Film: 9 semester credit hours

**FILM 3321** Film in Historical Context

**FILM 3325** Film Authorship

**FILM 3342** Topics in Film

Studio and Performing Arts, Media Studies, and Production Classes: 3 semester credit hours

Choose one course from the following (3 semester credit hours):

- **AHST 3318** Contemporary Art
- **ARTS 3381** Video Painting
- **ARTS 3376** Time-Based Art
- **ARTS 3379** Photography: New Media
- **ATCM 3338** Motion Graphics I
- **ATCM 3350** Digital Video Production I
ATCM 4364 Topics in Design and Production  
CRWT 4354 Creating Scripts  
DANC 3340 Dance in Historical Context  
THEA 4301 Acting for Film and Video  
THEA 3323 Performance in Historical Context

1. Foundations in Film courses are repeatable as topics change.  
2. Other courses, for example in computer animation or sound design, may be employed for Studio and Performing Arts, Media Studies, and Production Classes semester credit hours depending on a student's interests and degree plan.

Minor in History: 18 semester credit hours

Choose any 18 semester credit hours from HIST courses. 12 hours must be upper-division.

Minor in Latin American Studies: 18 semester credit hours

Students must enroll in a minimum of two courses in Spanish or French at UT Dallas at the level determined by the language placement exam.

Latin American Studies Courses: 12 semester credit hours

Choose any four courses from the following:

CRIM 3319 Comparative Justice Systems  
GEOS 2321 Geology, Resources, and Environment of Latin America  
IMS 3091 Regional Management Area Studies: Latin America

IMS 3V91 Regional Management Area Studies: Latin America  
IPEC 4304 Political Economy of Latin America  
LANG 4348 Advanced Topics in Language  
LIT 3329 Ethnic American Literature  
HIST 3379 United States Relations with Latin America  
HIST 3391 Modern Mexico  
HIST 3397 Study Abroad in Latin America
HIST 3398 Colonial Latin American History
HIST 3399 Modern Latin American History
HIST 4359 Topics in Latin American History
PSCI 4331 Mexican Politics
PSCI 4332 Latin American Politics
PSCI 4348 Terrorism
SOC 3336 Culture Regions
SPAN 4364 Advanced Spanish Culture
SPAN 4315 Study Abroad in Spanish

Language Courses: 6 semester credit hours

Choose two courses from the following:

SPAN 1311 Beginning Spanish I
SPAN 1312 Beginning Spanish II
SPAN 2311 Intermediate Spanish I
SPAN 2312 Intermediate Spanish II
SPAN 3340 Advanced Medical Spanish
SPAN 3363 Spanish Composition and Style
SPAN 3365 Advanced Spanish I
SPAN 3366 Advanced Spanish II
SPAN 4301 Advanced Spanish Conversation
SPAN 4302 Spanish Conversation and Community
FREN 1311 Beginning French I
FREN 1312 Beginning French II
FREN 2311 Intermediate French I
FREN 2312 Intermediate French II
LANG 3342 Advanced Language Instruction
LANG 3348 Topics in Language

3. IMS 3091 and IMS 3V91 require IMS3310 as a prerequisite.
4. Topics courses, LIT 3329, PSCI 4348, and SOC 3336 must be approved by the School of Arts and Humanities before enrolling to ensure that the course subject matter is predominantly Latin
Minor in Literature: 21 semester credit hours

**Lower-Level Major Prep**

[LIT 2350](#) Close Reading

Choose 6 semester credit hours from the following three:

[LIT 2320](#) Survey A: Literature in English

[LIT 2321](#) Survey B: Literature in Translation

[LIT 2331](#) Introduction to World Literature

**Upper-Level Literature Electives**

Select any 12 semester credit hours of upper-level LIT courses.

Minor in Medical and Scientific Humanities: 18 semester credit hours

Choose any six courses from the following:

[ARHM 2340](#) Creativity

[ARHM 2343](#) Science and the Humanities

[ARHM 3100](#) Topics in Values and Science

[ARHM 3342](#) Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies in the Arts and Humanities

[ARTS 3368](#) Mixed Media

[ARTS 3378](#) Figure Sculpture

[COMM 3342](#) Advanced Topics in Communication

[COMM 3351](#) History and Theory of Communication

[COMM 4314](#) Persuasion and Interpersonal Influence

[COMM 4340](#) Small Group Communication

[COMM 4350](#) Intercultural Communication

[COMM 4360](#) Communication Ethics

[COMM 4370](#) Communication and Leadership

[COMM 4375](#) Professional Communication in Medicine
HIST 3302 Gender in Western Thought
HIST 3327 Perspectives on Science (SciEd)
HIST 3328 History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
HIST 3337 Technology and Western Civilization
HIST 3344 History of Science in Europe
HIST 3374 American Technological Development
HIST 3380 The Nuclear Age in America
HIST 3389 History of Science in the U.S.
HIST 4349 Jewish History
HIST 4357 Topics in African and African-American History
HIST 4360 Topics in American Women's History
HUMA 3342 Topics in the Humanities
HUMA 3350 Introduction to Islam
HUMA 3351 Introduction to Islamic Culture
LIT 3304 Literature and Composition
LIT 3316 The Literature of Science Fiction
LIT 3317 The Literature of Fantasy
LIT 3312 Studies in Prose Narrative
LIT 3319 Contexts
LIT 3328 Ethics in Literature
LIT 3334 Literature of Science
LIT 3380 Studies in Women's Literature
LIT 4348 Topics in Literature
LIT 4V71 Independent Study in Literature (1-3 semester credit hours)
PHIL 2316 History of Philosophy I
PHIL 2317 History of Philosophy II
PHIL 3304 Contemporary Conceptions of Human Nature
PHIL 3328 History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
PHIL 3373 Philosophy of Mind
PHIL 3375 Contemporary Ethical Issues
PHIL 3309 Philosophy of Technology
Minor in Music: 18 semester credit hours

Required Lower-Division courses: 6 semester credit hours

MUSI 2322 Music in Western Civilization
MUSI 2328 Music Theory I

Required Upper-Division Music Performance and/or Ensemble courses: 6 semester credit hours total

Choose from the following:

Vocal/Instrumental Studies

MUSI 3229 Upper-Division Applied Music
MUSI 3380 Guitar II
MUSI 3382 Vocal Instruction II
MUSI 3387 Keyboard Skills for Contemporary Music
MUSI 3388 Piano II
MUSI 4V61 Individual Instruction in Vocal Performance
MUSI 4V71 Independent Study in Music

Music Ensembles

MUSI 3112 Advanced Orchestra/Chamber Music Ensemble I
or MUSI 4112 Advanced Orchestra/Chamber Music Ensemble II
MUSI 3116 Guitar Ensemble II
or MUSI 4116 Guitar Ensemble III
MUSI 3118 String Orchestra II
or MUSI 4118 String Orchestra III
MUSI 3120 Wind Ensemble II
or MUSI 4120 Wind Ensemble III
MUSI 3122 Brass Ensemble I
MUSI 3130 Percussion Ensemble
MUSI 3131 Drumline
MUSI 3181 Instrumental Ensemble II
or MUSI 4146 Instrumental Ensemble III
MUSI 3185 Chamber Singers I
or MUSI 4185 Chamber Singers II
MUSI 3382 Vocal Instruction II
or MUSI 4322 Vocal Instruction III
MUSI 3384 Best of Broadway
MUSI 3186 Jazz Ensemble II
or MUSI 4186 Jazz Ensemble III
MUSI 4345 Music Performance III
MUSI 4V12 Chamber Music
or MUSI 4V13 Chamber Music II

**Required Upper-Division Music History and Music Theory Courses: 6 semester credit hours**

Choose from the following:

- MUSI 3322 Music in Historical Context
- MUSI 3324 Jazz History: Roots to Swing
- MUSI 3325 Jazz History: Modern Jazz since BeBop
- MUSI 3327 Music in Modern Culture
- MUSI 3328 Advanced Theory and Keyboard Skills
- MUSI 3330 Music Literature: Romantic to Modern
- MUSI 3342 Topics in Music
- MUSI 3389 Digital Music II
- MUSI 4348 Creating Music
Minor in Performing Arts: 18 semester credit hours
Choose any 18 semester credit hours from all DANC, THEA, and MUSI courses. Students can also take ART S 1301. Twelve semester credit hours must be upper-division.

Minor in Philosophy: 18 semester credit hours
Choose any six courses from the following:

- **PHIL 1301** Introduction to Philosophy
- **PHIL 2316** History of Philosophy I
- **PHIL 2317** History of Philosophy II
- **PHIL 2V71** Independent Study in Philosophy
- **PHIL 3328** History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
- **PHIL 3373** Philosophy of Mind
- **PHIL 3375** Contemporary Ethical Issues
- **PHIL 4308** Theories of Knowledge
- **PHIL 3309** Philosophy of Technology
- **PHIL 4380** Topics in Philosophy
- **HIST 3328** History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
- **HIST 3376** American Intellectual History, Colonial to the Civil War
- **HIST 3377** American Intellectual History, Civil War to the Present
- **HIST 3302** Gender in Western Thought
- **PHIL 3320** Medical Ethics
- **PHIL 4321** Philosophy of Medicine
- **HIST 4380** Topics in Intellectual History
- **HIST 4V71** Independent Study in Historical Studies (1-3 semester credit hours)

Minor in Spanish: 18 semester credit hours
Students must enroll in a minimum of two courses in Spanish at UT Dallas at the level determined by the language placement exam. Minimum of 12 semester credit hours must be in upper division level.

**Spanish Courses: 12-18 semester credit hours**
Choose any from the following:
**SPAN 1311** Beginning Spanish I

**SPAN 1312** Beginning Spanish II

**SPAN 2310** Spanish for Heritage Speakers

**SPAN 2311** Intermediate Spanish I

**SPAN 2312** Intermediate Spanish II

**SPAN 3330** Medical Spanish

**SPAN 3350** Business Spanish

**SPAN 3363** Spanish Composition and Style

**SPAN 3365** Advanced Spanish I

**SPAN 3366** Advanced Spanish II

**SPAN 4301** Advanced Spanish Conversation

**SPAN 4302** Spanish Conversation and Community

**SPAN 4364** Advanced Spanish Culture

**SPAN 4315** Study Abroad in Spanish

**LANG 3348** Topics in Language

**LANG 4348** Advanced Topics in Language

**Latin American Studies Courses: 0-6 semester credit hours**

Choose from the following:

**LIT 3329** Ethnic American Literature

**DANC 3336** Latin American Social Dance

**HIST 3379** United States Relations with Latin America

**HIST 3391** Modern Mexico

**HIST 3398** Colonial Latin American History

**HIST 3399** Modern Latin American History

**HIST 3397** Study Abroad in Latin America

**HIST 4359** Topics in Latin American History

**HIST 4369** Topics in Borderlands History

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6. Topics courses (and LIT 3329 Ethnic American Literature) must be approved by the School of Arts and Humanities before enrolling.

7. No more than 6 semester credit hours of the Spanish minor may be completed by Latin American
Minor in Theatre: 18 semester credit hours

**Theatre Fundamentals:** 3 semester credit hours

Choose one course from the following:

- **THEA 1310** Understanding Theatre
- **THEA 1351** Acting 1
- **THEA 1352** Acting 2
- **THEA 2364** Musical Theatre Workshop

**Performance and Technical Study:** 6 semester credit hours

Choose one course from the following (3 semester credit hours):

- **THEA 2371** Technical Theatre 1
- **THEA 2372** Improvisation
- **THEA 2373** Languages of the Body
- **THEA 2350** Voice for the Actor
- **THEA 2V71** Independent Study in Theatre (1-3 semester credit hours)

Choose one course from the following (3 semester credit hours):

- **THEA 3310** Theatre/Performance Ensemble
- **THEA 3324** Technical Theatre 2
- **THEA 3325** Directing
- **THEA 3351** Light Design

**Advanced Studies in Theatre:** 9 semester credit hours, upper-division coursework

Choose one course from the following (3 semester credit hours)

- **THEA 3323** Performance in Historical Context
- **THEA 3380** Theatre and Literature

Choose two courses from the following (6 semester credit hours):

- **THEA 3342** Advanced Topics in Theatre
- **THEA 3356** Acting 3
- **THEA 3361** Performing Shakespeare
THEA 3372 Advanced Improvisation
THEA 4301 Acting for Film and Video
THEA 4310 Theatre Internship
THEA 4342 Advanced Topics in Technical Theatre

Minor in Visual Arts: 18 semester credit hours

Arts Foundations: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:

- ARTS 1316 Drawing Foundations
- ARTS 2316 Painting Foundations
- ARTS 2350 Photography: Design
- ARTS 2380 Visual Design Foundations
- ARTS 2381 Introduction to Sculpture
- ARTS 2V71 Independent Study in Visual Arts (1-3 semester credit hours)

Art History Foundations: 3 semester credit hours
Choose one course from the following:

- AHST 1303 Survey of Western Art History: Ancient to Medieval
- AHST 1304 Survey of Western Art History: Renaissance to Modern
- AHST 2331 Understanding Art
- AHST 3313 Medieval Art and Architecture
- AHST 3315 Renaissance Art and Architecture
- AHST 3316 Baroque Art and Architecture
- AHST 3317 Pioneers of Modern Art
- AHST 3318 Contemporary Art
- AHST 3319 Twentieth Century European Art: Avant-Garde and Aftermath
- AHST 3320 Art in Historical Context
- AHST 3321 Chinese Art History
- AHST 3324 History of Photography
- AHST 4342 Topics in Art History
FILM 2332 Understanding Film
FILM 3321 Film in Historical Context
FILM 3325 Film Authorship
FILM 3342 Topics in Film

Studio Courses: 12 semester credit hours

Choose any four courses from the following:

ARTS 3313 Intermediate Visual Design
ARTS 3311 Contemporary Art Practices
ARTS 3340 Topics in Studio Art
ARTS 3341 Chinese Calligraphy
ARTS 3363 Typography, Technology, Image
ARTS 3366 Intermediate Drawing
ARTS 3367 Figure Drawing
ARTS 3368 Mixed Media
ARTS 3369 Intermediate Painting
ARTS 3371 Photography: Black/White
ARTS 3372 Photography: Color Concepts
ARTS 3373 Printmaking
ARTS 3375 Sculpture
ARTS 3376 Time-Based Art
ARTS 3377 Photography: Altered Image
ARTS 3379 Photography: New Media
ARTS 3381 Video Painting
ARTS 3382 Color as Subject
ARTS 4308 Image/Text
ARTS 4366 Advanced Drawing
ARTS 4368 Advanced Visual Arts
ARTS 4369 Advanced Painting
ARTS 4372 Advanced Photography
ARTS 4V71 Independent Study in Visual Arts (1-3 semester credit hours)