School of Arts and Humanities

Minors

Students must take a minimum of 18 semester credit hours for the minor. 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 2.000 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.

Nine 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
- ARTS 3341 Chinese Calligraphy
- 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.

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**Minor in Creative Writing: 18 semester credit hours**

**Required Course: 3 semester credit hours**

- **CRWT 2301** Introductory Creative Writing

**Workshops: 9 semester credit hours (repeated courses allowed, minimum of two genres required)**

- **CRWT 3308** Creating Nonfictions
- **CRWT 3330** Translation Workshop
- **CRWT 3351** Creating Poetry
- **CRWT 3354** Screenwriting
- **CRWT 4307** Creating Short Stories: Advanced
- **CRWT 4353** Creating Poetry: Advanced
- **CRWT 4V71** Independent Study in Creative Writing

**Electives: 6 semester credit hours (repeated courses allowed)**

Select any 6 semester credit hours of upper-level LIT or CRWT courses

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**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 6 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 1  
**THEA 1310** Understanding Theatre

Foundations in Film: 9 semester credit hours¹

**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 hours²

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

**AHST 3318** Contemporary Art  
**CRWT 3354** Screenwriting  
**ARTS 3381** Video Painting  
**ARTS 3376** Time-Based Art  
**ARTS 3379** Photography: New Media  
**ATCM 3338** Motion Graphics I

¹ Include one course from the list above.  
² Include one course from the list above.
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. Must meet the University minimum number of upper-division hours.

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
- **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
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 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. PSCI 4348 must be approved by the School of Arts and Humanities before enrolling to ensure that the course subject matter is predominantly Latin American.
5. LANG 3348 and 4348 must be French or Spanish language-based sections.
Minor in Literature: 18 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 9 semester credit hours of upper-level LIT courses.

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Minor in Medicine, Arts, Science, and Humanities (MASH): 18 semester credit hours

The minor in Medicine, Arts, Science, and Humanities (MASH) allows students to explore the relationships between STEM fields and the Arts & Humanities, and specifically, to explore the different ways that the Arts and Humanities open up new perspectives on scientific research, the phenomena of the natural world, medical practice, the environment, and technology. Students are encouraged to focus on one of three pathways: Humanistic Perspectives on Science and Technology, Medical Humanities, or Environmental Humanities.

**MASH Foundations: 3 semester credit hours**

Select 3 semester credit hours from the following courses:

[ARHM 2343](#) Science and the Humanities
[ARHM 3342](#) Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies in the Arts and Humanities
[HIST 3327](#) Perspectives on Science (SciEd)
[HIST 3328](#) History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
[HIST 3344](#) History of Science in Europe
[HIST 3389](#) History of Science in the U.S.
[LIT 3334](#) Literature of Science
[PHIL 3328](#) History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine

**Human Communication and Diversity: 3 semester credit hours**
Select 3 semester credit hours from the following courses:

- ATCM 4322 Disability, Technology, and Media
- ATCM 4327 Privacy and Surveillance
- COMM 4314 Persuasion and Interpersonal Influence
- COMM 4360 Communication Ethics
- COMM 4375 Professional Communication in Medicine
- CRWT 2301 Introduction to Creative Writing
- HIST 3302 Gender in Western Thought
- HIST 3306 History of Racism
- HIST 4349 Jewish History
- HIST 4360 Topics in American Women's History
- HUMA 3350 Introduction to Islam
- HUMA 3351 Introduction to Islamic Culture
- PHIL 4332 Philosophy of Race
- PHIL 4333 Feminist Philosophy
- RHET 3303 Professional and Technical Writing in Career Fields

**Perspectives on Medicine, Arts, Science, and Humanities: 12 semester credit hours**

Choose 12 semester credit hours total from courses in the following categories or additional courses under MASH Foundations.

**Arts and Humanities Perspectives on Science and Technology**

- ARHM 2340 Creativity
- ARHM 3100 Topics in Values and Science
- ARTS 3315 The Art of Tinkering: Creating at the intersection of Art, Science and Technology
- ARTS 3367 Figure Drawing
- ARTS 3378 Figure Sculpture
- HIST 3337 Technology and Western Civilization
- HIST 3374 American Technological Development
- HIST 3380 The Nuclear Age in America
- LIT 3316 The Literature of Science Fiction
- PHIL 3309 Philosophy of Technology
PHIL 3373 Philosophy of Mind

Medical Humanities Perspectives

COMM 4375 Professional Communication in Medicine
PHIL 3320 Medical Ethics
PHIL 4321 Philosophy of Medicine

Environmental Humanities Perspectives

HIST 3368 North American Environmental History

Community-Engaged Service Learning

An advanced course in environmental studies in BIO, CHEM, ECON, ENVR/GEOG, EPPS, GEOS, ENGY/MECO, Interdisciplinary Studies, or NATS may be counted in this category with the approval of the MASH Director (up to 3 semester credit hours)

Other courses with a focus on Medicine, Arts, Science, and Humanities may be considered on a case-by-case basis for substitution in the categories above, as approved by the MASH Director.

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
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 ARTS 1301.

Nine semester credit hours must be upper-division.

Minor in Philosophy: 18 semester credit hours

Choose any 18 semester credit hours from all PHIL courses. Must meet the University minimum number of upper-division 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 9 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:
**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

6. Topics courses 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 Studies Courses.

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**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)

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