



Theresa Peterson '96

Course Offerings

Studio Concentration Areas

- Ceramics Levels I-VI
- Drawing Levels I-VI
- Weaving/Fabric Levels I-VI
- Graphic Design Levels I-VI
- Illustration Levels I-VI
- Painting Levels I-VI
- Printmaking Levels I-VI
- Sculpture Levels I-VI

Additional Courses

- 2-D and 3-D Design
- Art History and Appreciation
- Art Education
- Jewelry



Sandford Gallery



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John Zylka '96

Art at Clarion

The Art Department at Clarion University offers general and specialized studies in art.

Students working toward a Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.) degree at Clarion find great flexibility in the program. The degree requires 72 credits in art, including foundation courses, art history, and 18 credits in a specific concentration, such as ceramics, drawing, fiber/fabric, graphic arts, painting, printmaking, or sculpture. A special feature of Clarion's program is that B.F.A. candidates have an exhibit of their work as a requirement for graduation.

To enhance their chosen art concentration, some students choose a double major with communication or theatre. The minor in art includes concentrations in 2-D or 3-D studio and art history.

Faculty and Facilities

All nine full-time Art Department faculty members are engaged in creative and scholarly work. They are energetic faculty who enjoy teaching and working with individual students.

One of the department's advantages is its size. The student to faculty ratio is 17:1. Small classes allow instructors to know the students well and to help each develop technical proficiency, personal imagery, and an understanding of the historical context of his or her own work.

Each concentration has specialized studios for student use. Classrooms are furnished with materials, equipment, and working space for students. The Art Department is equipped with Macintosh and Amiga computers in the graphics lab, and has a darkroom facility. The Sandford Gallery provides a variety of exhibitions throughout the year. The departmental slide library contains many slides, films, and videotapes related to the field as well as a large collection of quality mounted reproductions of original works.

Professional Activities & Other Opportunities

Activities designed to enhance professional skills, awareness, and attitudes can be arranged to fit individual students' needs. Opportunities are available for internships and co-ops, as well as studio and gallery assistantships. Students may join the Visual Arts Association to gain professional and social experience through activities, programs, and field trips.

For More Information

Call or write: Art Department,
Clarion University, 114 Marwick-Boyd Fine Arts Center, Clarion, PA 16214-1232, telephone (814) 226-2291.

About Clarion University

Clarion University of Pennsylvania one of the 14 universities in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education, is a medium-sized university (5,800 students) that provides a broad range of programs for students' needs and interests.

With its new program of General Education, Clarion's liberal education philosophy encourages well-rounded intellectual growth along with specialization in a field. The university offers 74 undergraduate programs and 11 graduate programs.

The Clarion Campus, situated in Northwestern Pennsylvania on the Allegheny Plateau, overlooks the Clarion River in one of the state's most scenic resort areas. Clarion is two miles north of I-80 at exits 9 and 10, less than a two-hour drive from Pittsburgh, Erie, and Youngstown, Ohio.

Financial Aid

The Art Department and the Sandford Gallery currently employ student workers for various art-related tasks. For specific information contact the Office of Financial Aid, Clarion University, 104 Egbert Hall, Clarion, PA 16214-1232, telephone (814) 226-2315.

The Art Department awards scholarships in the B.F.A. program in the studio art. The Clarence and Janet Lesser Scholarship is a renewable scholarship designated for incoming freshman art majors. The Foundation Scholarship is offered yearly to one outstanding art major.

Employment After Graduation

Clarion art students who have graduated with the B.F.A. degree have found employment in museum and gallery work, advertising, graphic design, publishing, and mural design.

B.F.A. graduates also may be qualified to teach in private schools, and may choose to continue their studies to obtain public school certification. Numerous graduates pursue the M.F.A. degree in preparation for college level teaching. Recent Clarion art graduates have been accepted into M.F.A. programs at Notre Dame, Wisconsin, Pratt, S.U.N.Y.-Albany, and the Savannah College of Art and Design, among others.

Career assistance is available to students through the university's Office of Career Services, which conducts informational programs on resumé preparation, interviewing, and the job search process. Other options for career advancement include talking with the faculty advisors and watching announcements on the departmental bulletin boards. The Visual Arts Association arranges tours of artists' studios and invites guest speakers to discuss career opportunities.

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