



FINE AND APPLIED ART PROGRAMS



"The Art History courses I took, with their emphasis on written assignments, are a solid foundation for further study at the university level. All of the guidance I received really made a difference in making me feel less overwhelmed."

Nick Nabas- U.C. Davis student/Art History major, LMC graduate



Los Medanos College offers an integrated program of study in art history, drawing, painting, ceramics, sculpture, graphic design and photography. While the specific skills taught in individual courses vary, students may expect to find a common core of high expectations, solid support and a structured approach designed to assist them in finding their creative paths.



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"Taking fine art courses at LMC has helped me discover a creative side of me I didn't know I had. My professors have been very helpful and engaging."
- Monica Hernandez, LMC fine art student

Why study art?

If you're reading this, you already know the answer. Since the beginning of the human experience on earth, art has expressed our inner voices and served our external purposes. Art is at once, a personal, hidden and intimate whisper, yet simultaneously shouts our collective cultural beliefs about our many identities... gender, familial, local, regional, national and cosmopolitan. If you're reading this, you've already decided that you want to be heard and seen. The study and practice of art allows you to do so.

Why Los Medanos?

The Art Department at Los Medanos College provides a comprehensive, coherent and cumulative program in the study of art. We offer the collective expertise of instructors who have made art their lives as well as their careers. We offer an over-arching and consistent teaching philosophy across the art curriculum. This philosophy is based on knowledge, discipline and experience. The knowledge is based on tools, materials and process. The discipline is based in the focus required to both solve artistic problems and meet deadlines. The experience depends on YOU.

What will I do?

The study of art at Los Medanos begins with rigorous training in the fundamentals of art. Our foundation-level courses are designed to improve any skills you might have already while providing you with the means to learn new skills and new ways to solve design problems in two and three dimensions. Practical skills are supported by studies in Art Appreciation and Art History. (Art Appreciation focuses on the process of art while Art History addresses its product in a historical/cultural context.) Beyond the foundation, the LMC Art Department offers you choices in developing your artistic identity. Students choose to follow one of two primary paths: studies and practice in traditional studio courses in drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics and photography; OR, studies and practices in Graphic Communications for potential career opportunities in print and digital media design and production. (See the *Graphic Communications brochure for specific details.*)

What will I learn?

We offer an Associate in Arts degree with an emphasis in either Fine Arts or Graphic Communications. In addition, there are short-term Certificates of Achievement offered in Graphic Communications and Digital Publishing.

How do I get started?

Once you decide to become a student at LMC, contact the Art Department to help you plan your program of study. We can provide you with additional program materials that detail available courses and scheduling guidelines that will assist you in integrating your required general education coursework along with those required of the art major. We are equally happy to meet with you for individual planning.

Contact the Department at (925) 439-2181, Ext. 3169 for general information, or see the website (www.losmedanos.edu) for access to specific e-mail access.

Visit: www.losmedanos.edu/groups/art

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"We take art VERY seriously... but that doesn't mean we don't have a lot of fun with it! Everyone works hard in the Art Department, instructors and students alike, but we all learn a lot about ourselves, about one another and about art." - Ken Alexander, Chair and Faculty, Art Department

