

# ART STUDIO

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*Students who matriculated prior to the Fall of 2024 may choose to graduate with a Studio Art degree. Any Studio Art major who matriculated prior to Fall of 2024 must work closely with the department to ensure that they are meeting all requirements appropriately. The Visual Arts (<https://catalog.denison.edu/catalog/courses-of-study/art-studio/>) major was introduced in 2024 as a revised version of the former Studio Art major.*

## **Mission Statement**

Denison Studio Art students develop an artistic language by acquiring technical and critical capabilities that allow them to appreciate and contextualize their own art practice within a contemporary artistic, social, historical and cultural environment. The curricular structure of our program requires our students to develop a knowledge of multiple disciplines; photography, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, painting and digital technologies. The program emphasizes the need for agility of thinking and making, while also allowing for a depth of exploration in areas that are of interest to the student or their practice. In emphasizing a commitment to thinking and making in plurality of material and thought, we seek to remove the silo mentality of separate spheres. Our students are taught to consider art-making as a means to not only think within and of themselves, but also to contextualize themselves and their work – to place themselves in a historical and contemporary trajectory and take responsibility for being a part of a complex world of ideas and perspectives.