

YukonU Program Planning Guide

Yukon School of Visual Arts



Certificate of Visual Arts

Instructions for Use

This planning guide is to assist you in selecting your courses for registration in the Fall and Winter semesters.

***Refer to the recommended sequencing plan in this guide to assist you with your registration.**

Refer to your program page on the main website under programs/courses for a more thorough description of each course.

A glossary (description) of common words and phrases used in this guide, can be found on the last page.

Graduation Requirements and Yukon First Nations Core Competency

To be awarded the **Visual Arts Certificate**, students must successfully complete 30 credits outlined in the recommended sequencing plan. There are no electives in this program. Full-time students will register for five courses in the Fall. Fall courses are pre-requisites for the Winter courses. Full-time students will register for five courses in the winter.

Yukon First Nations Core Competency

Yukon University recognizes that a greater understanding and awareness of Yukon First Nations history, culture and journey towards self-determination will help to build positive relationships among all Yukon citizens.

TH 101 will satisfy the Yukon First Nations core competency requirement. TH 101, which is an introductory exploration of the [Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in](#) community will be offered either in the fall or winter semester.

Certificate

Course Requirement	Credit	Usual Term	Done
ENGL 120	3	Fall	
VS 101	3	Fall	
2DS 101	3	Fall	
3DS 101	3	Fall	
4DS 101	3	Fall	
ENGL 121	3	Winter	
VS 102	3	Winter	
2DS 102	3	Winter	
3DS 102	3	Winter	
4DS 102	3	Winter	
TH 101	0	Both	
Total Credits	30		

Recommended Sequencing Plan – Full Time (part time – see below)

Shown below is the sequence of courses for your certificate. If you follow this plan, you should be able to graduate in one year, provided you complete all courses in one academic year.

Visual Arts Certificate - Fall	Visual Arts Certificate - Winter
ENGL 120	ENGL 121
VS 101	VS 102
2DS 101	2DS 102
3DS 101	3DS 102
4DS 101	4DS 102
TH 101	TH 101

*TH 101 will be offered in either in the fall or winter semester, depending on availability.

Notes

Part Time Student

A student may take the program part time. Fall courses (101/120) are prerequisites for winter courses (102/121), part time students wishing to complete the full certificate program must start in the fall. Part-time students wishing to start the program in the winter who have not taken the fall prerequisite courses require special permission from SOVA and must demonstrate some previous background experience in visual arts.

This program is offered in Dawson City, Yukon through the Yukon School of Visual Arts (Yukon SOVA). The program is accredited at Yukon University and transferable to Emily Carr University, University of the Fraser Valley, Alberta University of the Arts, OCAD University, Mount Allison University, and NSCAD University. The program also has an articulation agreement with Mount Allison University.

Student Responsibility – Online Registration

Students are responsible for the completeness and accuracy of course selection and registration and for determining the requirements of your program. Always read course descriptions before you register to determine if you have the necessary prerequisites and pay attention to notes on mutually exclusive and cross-listed courses (pairs of courses in which credit will be awarded for only one).

Program Advising

For information about the program or to discuss program requirements, pathways and destinations, including transfer matters, please contact the Yukon School of Visual Arts:

Yukon School of Visual Arts – Advising can be done in person or by phone.

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Common Words and Phrases

- A **Credit** is the unit of weight for university courses and range from 1 to 15 credits.
- **Grade Point Average (GPA)** is a representation of academic achievement produced by dividing the total number of grade points earned over a period, usually a semester, divided by the number of courses or credits taken. See page 18 of the Academic Regulations for a fuller explanation.
- **Prerequisite** is a course that you must complete with a satisfactory grade before enrolling in a subsequent course.
- A **Semester** is a portion of an academic year, during which an educational institution holds classes. Many people use the word 'term' interchangeably. We have three semesters per year. (Fall, Winter & Spring/Summer – see below)
*Note: not all programs use three (3) terms as part of their study schedule – most programs at YukonU use only the Fall & Winter term.
- **Recommended Sequencing Plan** shows a program's courses arranged according to year and semester (Fall, Winter, Spring) and are recommended to be taken in this order to complete a certificate, diploma or degree.
- **Fields of Study:**
The **visual arts** are art forms such as painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, photography, video, filmmaking, and craft.
Foundation Year Program is the first *year* of all our four-year undergraduate degrees. It is a 1-year program that offers you a wide-ranging overview of the practice, theory and history of the visual arts and is achieved over 2 semesters of study from September to April.
- **Semester Starts and Ends**
 - Fall = Either Late August or early September through December
 - Winter = Early January through April (Sometimes into early May)
 - Spring/Summer = May through August

Note: Your program area determines terms/semester exact dates.