

TRANSFER PATHWAYS

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Transfer Pathway with Art Fundamentals Certificates

OCAD U recognizes the Art Fundamentals Certificate (and other variations of the name) from the “Partner Institutions” list as meeting the criteria for a conditional offer for **Year 2** entry to one of the following Bachelor of Fine Arts programs:

OCAD U program	OUAC program code
Criticism & Curatorial Practice	HCA
Integrated Media	HIA
Photography	HPA
Printmaking & Publications	HBA
Sculpture/Installation	HSA

Applicants must graduate by June for September entry with an overall average of 75% based on OCAD U’s grading system (see chart below). All applications for admission must be made through the [Ontario Universities’ Application Centre](#) using the appropriate OUAC program code.

A portfolio is not required for admission; however, applicants must meet OCAD U’s [English prerequisite and language proficiency](#) requirements (if applicable). Students admitted through this transfer pathway will receive a block transfer of **3.5 first-year Faculty of Art studio credits out of the 20-credit program*** and will be eligible to graduate with a Bachelor Fine Arts degree in approximately 3 years. Transfer credits in Arts & Science courses will be evaluated separately on an individual basis.

Confirming Eligibility & Overall Average Requirement

Since grading systems differ at each institution, the minimum overall average has been determined for each college below (columns A & B). Applicants who are in progress of completing their certificate must meet the minimum average (column A) in fall semester to apply through this pathway on the condition that they meet the minimum overall average (column B) at graduation. Applicants who are in progress of completing their certificate should apply in January after fall semester grades are confirmed. **Please email a copy of your academic record (unofficial transcript) after fall semester grades are confirmed to Leiko Shimizu at Lshimizu@ocadu.ca before applying.**

Applicants who do meet the minimum average in fall semester may apply through our [upper year entry](#) process for year 2 consideration and must submit a portfolio.

Ordering Transcripts

Official transcripts can be ordered through the OUAC or the college directly. If transcripts are ordered through the college, they should be emailed to admissions@ocadu.ca. Applicants currently completing their program, should order official transcripts after graduation from their certificate program is confirmed.

Partner Institutions:

College & Program	A Min. average in fall (first semester to apply through this pathway)	B Min. overall average required at graduation
Cambrian College – Art & Design Fundamentals	2.5	3.0
Centennial College – Art & Design Fundamentals	2.7	3.2
Durham College – Foundations in Art & Design	2.7	3.2
Fanshawe College – Fine Art Foundation	2.7	3.2
George Brown College – Art & Design Foundation	2.5	3.0
Georgian College – Art & Design Fundamentals	70%	75%
Humber College – Art Foundation	70%	75%
Niagara College – Art & Design Foundation	70%	75%
Seneca College – Art Fundamentals	2.7	3.2
Sheridan College – Art Fundamentals	2.6	3.1
New Brunswick College of Craft & Design – Foundation Visual Arts	2.0	2.5

*Graduates from NBCCD receive a block transfer of 3.0 credits out of the 20-credit program.

Questions?

Contact Leiko Shimizu, Senior Admissions & Transfer Officer at Lshimizu@ocadu.ca.