



## UPPER YEAR ENTRY Common Related Programs

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Applicants who have successfully completed **one or more years of study** at an accredited post-secondary institution in a program related to the OCAD U program of interest, may be eligible to apply for Upper Year entry. Please fill out the [Upper Year Inquiry Form](#) to find out.

Here is a list of some common related programs. Eligibility for upper year consideration is on a case-by-case basis after reviewing an applicant's postsecondary academic record.

| OCAD U Program                                                                       | OUAC Application Program Code | Common Related Postsecondary Programs                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>Advertising</b>                                                                   | HAU                           | Advertising<br>Communication Design                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Creative Writing</b>                                                              | HWU                           | Creative Writing<br>English / Literature<br>Literary Arts<br>Professional Writing<br><br>(must have taken creative writing courses)                         |
| <b>Digital Futures</b>                                                               | HTU                           | Digital Design<br>Game Design<br>3D Animation<br>Interactive Media<br>Interaction Design<br>Multimedia Design<br>Electronic Media<br>User Experience Design |
| <b>Drawing &amp; Painting</b>                                                        | H DU                          | Drawing<br>Painting<br>Studio Arts<br>Illustration<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts<br>Art Fundamentals/Foundation                                                |
| <b>Environmental Design</b><br>with or without the<br>Interior Design specialization | HEU                           | Architecture<br>Architectural Technician/Technology<br>Interior Design<br>Landscape Architecture<br>Environmental Design                                    |
| <b>Experimental Animation</b>                                                        | H XU                          | Animation<br>Game Arts<br>Concept Art<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts                                                                                            |

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| <b>Graphic Design</b>                                                         | HGU                           | Graphic Design<br>Communication Design                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Illustration</b>                                                           | HLU                           | Illustration<br>Concept Art<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts<br>Visual Communication<br>Drawing, Painting<br>Animation                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Industrial Design</b>                                                      | HNU                           | Industrial Design<br>Product Design<br>User Experience Design                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Integrated Media</b><br>with or without the<br>Life Studies specialization | HIU                           | Film & Video Production<br>Image Arts<br>New Media<br>Studio Arts<br>Electronic Media<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts<br>Art Fundamentals/Foundation*<br><br>*Please check if you are eligible for our<br><a href="#">Transfer Pathway</a> |
| <b>Material Art &amp; Design</b>                                              | HMU                           | Jewellery<br>Textile Design<br>Fibre Arts                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Photography</b>                                                            | HPU                           | Photography<br>Image Arts<br>Media Arts<br>Studio Arts<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts<br>Art Fundamentals/Foundation*<br><br>*Please check if you are eligible for our<br><a href="#">Transfer Pathway</a>                                |
| <b>Printmaking &amp; Publications</b>                                         | HBU                           | Studio Arts<br>Printmaking<br>Print Media<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts<br>Art Fundamentals/Foundation*<br><br>*Please check if you are eligible for our<br><a href="#">Transfer Pathway</a>                                             |
| <b>Sculpture/Installation</b>                                                 | HSU                           | Studio Arts<br>Sculpture<br>Spatial Arts<br>Visual Arts / Fine Arts<br>Art Fundamentals/Foundation*<br><br>*Please check if you are eligible for our<br><a href="#">Transfer Pathway</a>                                              |