Introduction
The Arts Studies program gives students the option to major in the arts gaining experience in a minimum of two, three, and possibly all four of the fields offered in the School of Fine and Performing Arts (art, architecture, music, and theater art).

This degree serves those undergraduates who would like to major in the arts but who do not wish to specialize in a single area, as well as other students with an interest in multiple art forms. Additionally, the program provides an undergraduate option in the arts for those students who wish to pursue teaching in elementary schools. At PSU as well as at other institutions, the School of Education is a graduate school. Students are required to have completed a BA/BS degree prior to entering the program. Students who complete the Arts Studies degree would then apply to a school of education to complete their teaching education and credentialing.

The degree requires 52 credits of study, including three FPA courses, two that provide a foundation and a third that serves as a senior project allowing students to apply what they have learned in the study of multiple arts theory and practice. This project may involve community-based learning, internships, apprentice teaching or creative projects. Students take 16 credits of entry level course work in both arts theory and practice, continue their exploration in at least two fields, taking 24 upper division credits chosen with an adviser and finish with the senior project.

Undergraduate Program Learning Outcomes