

Clarification of Course Credit in ART

Students must complete 25 credits in art to graduate, 10 credits in Fine Arts, 5 credits in Applied Arts, and an additional 10 credits in either Fine Arts or Applied Arts. Many 4-yr. colleges require 1 year (10 credits) in Fine Arts and 2 years (20 credits) of the same foreign language, which can be considered an Applied art.

Applied art is the application of design, aesthetics, and creative ideals to objects of function and everyday use. Traditionally, it is art made for a practical purpose. The fields of industrial design, graphic design, fashion design, interior design, decorative art and functional art are considered applied arts. Examples are: photography, architecture, ceramics, fiber arts, jewelry, glass, handmade furniture, toys, cars, or instruments, computer animation and design, web page design, auto mechanics, woodworking, and yearbook design.

Fine arts describes art forms that are created for aesthetics or intellectual stimulation. This includes the visual and performing arts, such as: painting, drawing, cartooning, sculpture, ceramics, film, photography, engraving, architecture, poetry, dance, music, and theater.

World Languages, including American Sign Language, are offered at Cabrillo College. The comprehensive high schools offer Spanish and French. In order for a student to get high school credit for a foreign language studied individually there must be a district teacher credentialed in teaching that specific language and willing to supervise the coursework. Currently at AFE we are able to provide teachers for students studying Spanish and French only. Another option for a student to get credit in a different foreign language is to take the course through a school, college, or online program that can give credit.