



City Colleges of Chicago Transfer Guide
[Bachelor of Arts in Art](#)
[\(Studio Art Concentration\)](#)

Available at:
[NEIU Main Campus \(Chicago, IL\)](#)

Why Choose Northeastern?

Northeastern Illinois University is committed to providing an affordable education. That's why our tuition and fees are among the most affordable of the Illinois public universities. We offer a **tuition guarantee program** that guarantees incoming students the same tuition rate for four years.

Northeastern offers more than 50 undergraduate degree and certificate programs, with classes on weekdays, evenings, weekends, and online. Small class sizes allow for students to pursue a more personal academic experience in one of the most ethnically diverse universities in the nation.

Art (Studio Art Concentration) Program Description

Northeastern's Department of Art + Design offers an undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art. The fundamental objective of the Art + Design Department programs is to provide and promote a knowledge and understanding of the visual arts. The studio concentration gives students hands-on exposure to a variety of skills, both analytic and technical, in order to help students express concepts visually. Programs in the department prepare students to pursue graduate school, careers in the arts or teaching, and emphasize lifelong learning.

Contact Information

Northeastern Illinois University Transfer Center: Students who have questions about the program prior to admission may contact the Northeastern Transfer Center at (773) 442-4076 or email TransferSteps@neiu.edu.

Admission Requirements

- Students must have earned a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher for all college or university course work attempted. Students must be in good academic standing at the last college or university attended.
- Required documents are: application for admission, \$30 nonrefundable application fee, and official transcripts from all colleges and universities.
- Additional admission and application materials, including the option to apply online can be found at <https://www.neiu.edu/admissions/transfer>.
- Application deadlines are as follows:

Semester Applying	Deadline to Apply	International Student Deadline to Apply
Fall	August 1	June 15
Spring	November 1	October 1
Summer I	April 1	March 1
Summer II	May 1	April 1

General Education Requirements

Three options are available to students who plan to complete their General Education requirements at City Colleges of Chicago.

- **Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree:** Students who transfer with an approved Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) Model Associate of Arts or Associate of Science degree will have met Northeastern Illinois University's General Education requirements. For information regarding completing an Associate of Arts or Associate of Science at CCC, including assistance with course selection, please visit [Advising Services at CCC](#). More information is available at their website, or by calling (773) 265-5343.
- **Completion of the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI):** Students who transfer after completing the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) will have met their General Education requirements.
- **Transfer Course Lists for City Colleges of Chicago:** Students may choose to meet their General Education requirements by selecting courses from Northeastern's [Transfer Course Equivalency Guides](#). **When choosing this option, please use the following Northeastern Illinois University General Education guide:**

Northeastern Illinois University General Education Program		
The General Education Program requires a minimum of 39 credit hours of courses distributed among 6 areas.		
Northeastern Illinois University Requirement	Credits	City Colleges of Chicago Equivalent (if any)
Math / Quantitative Reasoning – one course (3 hours)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● This requirement can be met by completing MATH 118 or higher at City Colleges of Chicago with a grade of "C" or better.
Social / Behavioral Sciences 3 courses (9 hours)	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No more than two courses from the same department may be used.
Natural Sciences 3 courses (9 hours)	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No more than two courses from the same department may be used. ● One course must have a lab component.
Fine Arts 2 courses (6 hours)	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FIN ART 107 History of Architecture, Sculpt. & Painting I (3) ● ART 144 Two Dimensional Design (3)
Humanities 3 courses (9 hours)	9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No more than two courses from the same department may be used. ● No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.
Non-General Education University Requirements (3-6 hours)	3-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● ENGLISH 101 Composition at City Colleges of Chicago with a grade of "C" or better. ● Improving Human Relations - this requirement can be met through one of many general education courses. Please see the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide to find courses meeting the Human Relations requirement at your school.

Degree Plan*

D: Degree		Semester-by-Semester Program Plan for Full-Time Students			
GECC: General Education Core Curriculum		*All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters			
D	GECC	Semester 1	CCC Category	NEIU Category	Next Actions
•	•	ENGLISH 101 Composition (3)	Communication	Writing Requirement	DO THIS – Meet with advisor to discuss academic goals and plan coursework
•	•	Social Science Course (3)	Social Science	General Education	
•	•	SPEECH 101 Fund of Speech Comm (3)	Communication	General Education	
•	•	Humanities Course (3)	Humanities	General Education	
•		ART 113, 126, 166, 196 or 198 (select one) (3)	Elective	Major Requirement – ART 200-level Elective	
15 Credit Hours					
D	GECC	Semester 2	CCC Category	NEIU Category	Next Actions
•	•	ENGLISH 102 Composition (3)	Communication	Elective	DO THIS – Mid-term check-in with advisor DO THIS – Apply to NEIU's Guaranteed Admission Program (GAP)
•	•	Life Science or Physical Science Course (3)	Life/Physical Science	General Education	
•	•	MATH 118 or higher (4)	Mathematics	Math/Quantitative Reasoning	
•	•	FIN ART 107 History of Architecture, Sculpt. & Painting I (3)	Fine Arts	General Education Major Requirement – ARTH 106	
•		ART 113, 126, 166, 196 or 198 (select one) (3)	Elective	Major Requirement – ART 200-level Elective	
16 Credit Hours					
D	GECC	Semester 3	CCC Category	NEIU Category	Next Actions
•	•	Life Science or Physical Science Lab Course (4)	Life/Physical Science	General Education	DO THIS – Mid-term check-in with advisor DO THIS – Begin seeking additional four-year funding DO THIS – Apply for admission to NEIU
•	•	FIN ART 108 History of Architecture, Sculpt & Painting II (3)	Fine Arts	General Education Major Requirement – ARTH 107	
•	•	Social Science Course (3)	Social Science	General Education	
•	•	ART 144 2-Dimensional Design (3)	Fine Arts	Major Requirement – ART 130	
•	•	ART 131 General Drawing I (3)	Fine Arts	Major Requirement – ART 120	
16 Credit Hours					
D	GECC	Semester 4	CCC Category	NEIU Category	Next Actions
•	•	Social Science Course (3)	Social Science	General Education	DO THIS – Petition to graduate COMPLETION of Associate of Arts Degree DO THIS – Register for NEIU orientation (once admitted)
•	•	ART 145 3-Dimensional Design (3)	Fine Arts	Major Requirement: ART 140	
•	•	ART 132 General Drawing II (3)	Fine Arts	Major Requirement: ART 220	
•		ART 113, 126, 166, 196 or 198 (select one) (3)	Elective	Major Requirement – ART 200-level Elective	
•		Elective Course (1)	Elective	Elective	
13 Credit Hours					
MINIMUM TOTAL AA CREDIT HOURS: 60					
WRITTEN DEGREE PLAN CREDIT RANGE: 60					

Note:

- All City Colleges of Chicago students must complete a course in Human Diversity as part of their associate's degree. See your City Colleges of Chicago advisor for course options.
- All students who earn an Associate of Arts Degree from City Colleges of Chicago enter Northeastern with 64 hours of transfer credit, even if they have earned fewer than 64 credit hours. See the [NEIU Transfer Policy](#) for further information.
- Students have the option of completing a minor course of study along with their major in Art. Minor courses of study at Northeastern are 15-21 credit hours and can be completed in place of general electives without adding additional semesters or credit hours to a student's graduation plan.

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<i>All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding additional semesters</i>		
Semester 5	NEIU Category	Next Actions
ART 234 Digital Foundations (3)	Major Requirement ELE-X Requirement	DO THIS – Meet with the ART + Design department to declare your ART major
Any Level Elective (3)	Elective	
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Any Level Elective (3)	Elective	
300 Level Elective (3)	Elective/Upper Division	
15 Credit Hours		
Semester 6	NEIU Category	Next Actions
ART 300-Level Elective in Studio Emphasis (in consultation with advisor) (3)	Major Requirement	DO THIS – Meet with your ART advisor
ARTH 300 Contemporary Art (3)	Major Requirement	
Any Level Elective (3)	Elective/Upper Division	
300 Level Elective (3)	Elective/Upper Division	
300 Level Elective (1)	Elective/Upper Division	
13 Credit Hours		
Semester 7	NEIU Category	Next Actions
ART 300-Level Elective in Studio Emphasis (in consultation with advisor) (3)	Major Requirement	DO THIS – Meet with your ART advisor
ARTH 300-Level ELE Elective (Western) (3)	Major Requirement ELE Requirement	
ART 395 WIP: Professional Practice in Studio Art (3)	Major Requirement WIP Requirement	DO THIS – Apply for graduation DO THIS – Meet with Career Services for career counseling
300 Level Elective (3)	Elective/Upper Division	
300 Level Elective (3)	Elective/Upper Division	
15 Credit Hours		
Semester 8	NEIU Category	Next Actions
ARTH 300-Level Elective (Non-Western) (3)	Major Requirement	DO THIS – Meet with your ART advisor
ART 300-Level Elective in Studio Emphasis (in consultation with advisor) (3)	Major Requirement	
ART 396 Senior Seminar and Exhibit (3)	Major Requirement ELE-DS Requirement	DO THIS – Meet with Career Services for career counseling
300 Level Elective (3)	Elective/Upper Division	
Any Level Elective (1)	Elective	
13 Credit Hours		COMPLETION of Bachelor of Arts Degree
BACHELOR'S DEGREE MINIMUM TOTAL: 120 CREDIT HOURS		

Financial Aid and Scholarships

For information about financing your education at Northeastern, including Financial Aid and Scholarship opportunities, please see our website: <https://www.neiu.edu/financial-aid>. You may also contact our Financial Aid Office directly at (773) 442-5016 or email Financial-Aid@neiu.edu. If you are completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), Northeastern's federal School code is **001693**.

Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships for TRANSFER students*:

Scholarship	Amount Awarded	Credit Hour Requirement	GPA Requirement	Residency Requirement	NEIU Enrollment Requirement
Provost Merit	\$2,000	60+ credit hours	3.50 GPA	Illinois Residency	Full-Time (12+ credit hours)
Deans Merit	\$1,000	60+ credit hours	3.0 GPA	Illinois Residency	Full-Time (12+ credit hours)

Until all of the scholarships are awarded, students who meet these qualifications will automatically be considered for the Provost and Deans Merit Scholarships at the time of applying for admission to Northeastern. Completing an additional application is not necessary. The Office of Scholarships may be reached at (773) 442-4606 or scholarships@neiu.edu.

Art Department Merit Scholarship

Application Deadlines: April 1 for Fall semester and November 1 for Spring semester. The online application and guidelines can be found on the [Art Department website under Art Department Scholarships](#).