

MARYLAND
INSTITUTE
COLLEGE
OF ART

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GREETINGS

As the oldest continuously degree-granting college of art and design in the United States, Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) is at the forefront of art and design education with an international reputation. With a mission to empower our students to forge creative, purposeful lives and careers in a diverse and changing world, we take great pride in the excellence of our faculty, the quality of our students, and the accomplishments of our alumni.

MICA's undergraduate curricula, with 13 programs of study, span the traditional to the cutting edge—from analog fine arts and design to digital media, encouraging students to mix and match for customization. Recognized in the top 10 graduate programs by *U.S. News & World Report*, graduate students pursue their work within a dynamic network of 19 specialized programs.

On both undergraduate and graduate levels, a MICA education balances creativity, innovation, personal development, and career preparation. Faculty, artists-in-residence, and visiting artists offer individualized critiques and mentorship to uniquely shape each student's experience.

Our caring culture honors each student's ideas and vision while fostering learning experiences that allow our students to challenge their own assumptions, take risks, and transform their work. And the studios, workspaces, and fabrication labs provide the space, technology, and equipment necessary for students to expand their artistic practices.

We welcome you to join MICA's best and brightest talent and **MAKE** the world you imagine.

Sincerely,

Samuel Hoi
President

PRECOLLEGE ART AND DESIGN RESIDENCY PROGRAM

mica.edu/precollege

MICA's PreCollege Art & Design Residency Program offers rising high school juniors and seniors college-level art experience. Take part in an intensive and transformative experience with creative-minded peers, and learn new skills that help you explore the "why" behind your art.

Students also get an opportunity to explore the galleries and museums in the region. Extracurricular activities provide an introduction to the breadth of study options at MICA and the cultural life of Baltimore.

COURSES IN:

Animation
Ceramics
Digital Fabrication and Prototyping
Fibers
Film/Video
Graphic Design
Illustration
Interdisciplinary Art
Painting the Figure
Photography
Printmaking



UNDERGRADUATE

Programs

Bachelor Of Fine Arts (BFA)

FINE ARTS MAJORS

Fiber
General Fine Arts
Interdisciplinary Sculpture
Painting
Printmaking
(5-Year BFA/MAT)

DESIGN AND MEDIA MAJORS

Animation
Graphic Design
Illustration
Interactive Arts
Photography

Studio Minors

Animation
Architectural Design
Book Arts
Ceramics
Creative Entrepreneurship
Curatorial Studies
Drawing
Experimental Fashion
Film & Video
Game Design
Graphic Design
Illustration
Interactive Arts
Painting
Photography
Printmaking
Product Design
Sequential Art
Sound Art

LIBERAL ARTS MAJORS (BFA)

Ecosystems, Sustainability, & Justice
History of Art, Design, and Visual Culture
Studio & Humanistic Studies (Integrated dual degree with studio discipline)

Liberal Arts Minors

Creative Writing
Critical Theory
Culture and Politics
Gender Studies
Global and Intercultural Exchange
History of Art, Design, and Visual Culture
Literary Studies
Unmaking Racism

Application Requirements

mica.edu/apply

- + Common Application
- + Portfolio
- + Essay & Activities
- + Letters of Recommendation (optional)
- + Transcripts
- + TOEFL 75, IELTS 6.0, PTE 58, Duolingo 105 (for International applicants)

Portfolio Requirements

- + Submit 12-20 pieces of your strongest and most recent artwork (15-25 for transfer applicants)
- + Artwork should represent your interests, experience, ideas, and technical skills
- + Upload your portfolio to SlideRoom; please include any written descriptions of your artwork in the Notes section of SlideRoom, and not on your artwork

Deadlines

Visit mica.edu/apply for all First Year and Transfer application deadlines for fall and spring enrollment.

Connect with Undergraduate Admission

- + Sign up to talk with an Admission Counselor or schedule a virtual portfolio review at mica.edu/admission-counselor
- + Schedule a portfolio review electronically at mica.edu/portfolio-review
- + Plan an in-person campus visit and meet an admission counselor at mica.edu/admission-events or take a virtual tour of the MICA campus at mica.edu/virtualtour

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GRADUATE

Programs

Fine Arts

LeRoy E. Hoffberger School of Painting (MFA)

Two-year / Painting

Mount Royal School of Art (MFA)

Two-year / Multidisciplinary

Rinehart School of Sculpture (MFA)

Two-year / Sculpture

Community / Field-Based

Community Arts (MFA)

Two-year

Curatorial Practice (MFA)

Two-year

Teaching (MAT)

Two-year

Design / Illustration / Media

Filmmaking (MFA)

Two-year

Graphic Design (MFA)

Two-year

Graphic Design (MA)

One-year

Illustration Practice (MFA)

Two-year

Illustration (MA)

One-year

Photography + Media & Society (MFA)

Two-year

Social Design (MA)

One-year

Design / Commerce / Technology* all programs are online

Business of Art & Design (MPS)

15 months / Entrepreneurship & Product Management Tracks

Data Analytics and Visualization (MPS)

15 months

Design Leadership (MA/MBA)

Two-year / Dual degree in partnership with Johns Hopkins University, Carey Business School

UX Design (MPS)

15 months

Graduate Emphases

Curatorial Practice

Intercultural Communication

Application Procedures and Deadlines

mica.edu/gradprocedures

Jan. 19 – Priority Application Deadline for MFA and MA programs

Mar. 20 – Final Deadline for most MFA and MA/MBA programs*

Rolling Admissions for MPS Programs *

English Language Proficiency

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

+ 75 TOEFL Internet Based Test Score (100 for MA/MBA in Design Leadership only)

+ 6.0 IELTS Band Score (7.0 for MA/MBA in Design Leadership only)

All candidates being considered for admission will be interviewed by graduate faculty.

Online Graduate National Portfolio Day & Information Fair

mica.ly/npdgrad

Meet with accredited colleges and universities' admission teams for a virtual portfolio review and to answer your admission questions.

Connect with Graduate Admission

+ Online and in-person events with Graduate Admission:

mica.edu/gradconnect

+ Sign up to talk with a Graduate Admission Counselor on Zoom: mica.edu/gradchat

+ Sign up for our newsletter with event and deadline reminders: mica.edu/gradcontact

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GRADUATE

Professional Equipment And Facilities

The space and facilities dedicated to graduate study truly set MICA apart from other colleges of art and university-based programs. Each graduate program has its own space appropriate to student needs, including individual studios and personalized work stations. MICA also offers one of the best visual arts libraries in the nation. Computers, servers, equipment, and software are continually upgraded to serve artists working at an advanced level. The technical needs of graduate students and faculty are met with an expansive Graduate Research Lab, prototyping and fabrication labs, a metal shop, wood shops, 3D printers, 3D scanners, laser cutters, and computer-controlled milling machines.

Visiting Artist Lecture Series

The Graduate Visiting Artist Lecture Series provides students with opportunities to learn from and interact with artists, designers, and critics across disciplines and practices. Each week, these outstanding professionals give public talks, engage in small class seminars, critique students' work in the studios, provide models for professional success, and share meals with students and faculty in the neighborhoods surrounding MICA.

Xu Bing, MacArthur Award-winning artist, China

Tania Bruguera, Performance Artist, Cuba

Carroll Dunham, Painter, USA

Christopher K. Ho, Artist and Curator, Hong Kong

Shirin Neshat, Filmmaker and Photographer, Iran

Jeff Koons, Sculptor, USA

Ross Macdonald, Illustrator, Canada

Sondra Perry, Media Artist, Australia

Mixed Media Speaker Series

mica.edu/annual-events-series/mixedmedia/

The Mixed Media Speaker Series brings artists, designers, scholars, curators, and educators who are working at the forefront of their fields to MICA's campus.

These important and imaginative public events address the diversity of practice in our fields and the complex relationships among art, culture, identity, politics, and belonging in the contemporary world.

Graduate Research Development Grants

Research Development Grants create opportunities for MFA and MA students to further their research/creative projects by offering financial support up to \$500 USD on a competitive basis.

Social Design Fellows

The Center for Social Design has developed a number of opportunities for current MASD students to pursue professional, paid, part-time fellowships with a variety of institutions during their time at MICA.

Up/Start Venture Competition

This competition annually awards investment funding totaling \$100,000 USD to MICA students and recent alumni.



→ Sicheng Wang '17 '19 (Fine Arts Post-Baccalaureate, Mount Royal School of Art MFA) in critique with Xu Bing, Visiting Artist.



SUPPORT SERVICES

Student Support Services

- Office of International Education
- Courses for non-native English speakers, and faculty who are English language learning specialists
- Global Connections Program
- Integrated orientation, student events, and workshops for international students
- Office of Accessibility and Disability Services
- Learning Resource Center
- Student organizations and alumni associations
- On-campus health and counseling centers
- Free weekly shopping shuttles

Academic Exchange

baltimorecollegetown.org

Tap an unparalleled academic network. When you enroll in a Baltimore Collegetown Network institution, you gain access to courses, libraries, and other resources at Johns Hopkins University and 12 more colleges and universities nearby.

Meyerhoff Center for Career Development

mica.edu/career-development

Career Development fosters the professional success of MICA students and alumni in their chosen career paths by offering a variety of programs, services, resources, and professional connections.

Ratcliffe Center for Creative Entrepreneurship

micarcce.com

The Ratcliffe Center for Creative Entrepreneurship (RCCE) advances MICA's mission to empower students to forge creative and purposeful lives and careers. Co-located with the Meyerhoff Center for Career Development, the center serves MICA students at all stages of their undergraduate and graduate educations.

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Student Organizations

mica.edu/student-organizations-extracurricular-activities

More than 40 Student Organizations provide you with opportunities to meet new people and make friends. Enhance your professional development by learning to work collaboratively, learning effective communication, and learning about diverse backgrounds and experiences. Interests include:

- + Academic/Major-Related
- + Cultural/International
- + Gender/Sexuality
- + Graduate Student Orgs
- + Hobbies/Social
- + Media/Publications
- + Performing Arts
- + Religion/Spirituality
- + Service/Social Action
- + Sports/Recreation

Student On-Campus Employment

- Graduate Teaching Internship Program
- Graduate Technical Assistant
- Development Grants for graduate students
- Graduate Program Assistant
- Part-time jobs on campus for undergraduate students

Residence Life and Off-Campus Housing

mica.edu/residence-life-and-off-campus-housing/

MICA is home to hundreds of students who live in residence halls, located nearby the Station North Arts & Entertainment District. Our apartment-style housing— *guaranteed for freshman*—offers single or double bedrooms, full kitchens, shared bathroom, and a common area. MICA's housing facilities also include studio spaces, student galleries, performance spaces, laundry rooms, indoor/outdoor recreation areas, classrooms, and dining options. Transfer and graduate students may live on or off-campus. We offer resources to find a great off-campus apartment located nearby.

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INTERNSHIPS AND JOBS

mica.edu/internships

MICA's reputation provides students with access to industry partners within the creative and technology sectors. These partners provide students with access to internships, case studies, real-world challenges, professional networks, and employment opportunities upon graduation.

Domestic

ABC TV
Abercrombie & Fitch
Adidas & Reebok
Adobe
American Express
American Greetings
Apple
BOOM! Studios
Cartoon Network
Chronicle Books
Facebook
Firaxis Games
Gearbox
Google
HBO
IDEO
Kate Spade
Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Microsoft
Museum of Modern Art
Nickelodeon
Oscar de la Renta
Penguin Books
PUMA International
Random House
Rolling Stone
Sephora
Smithsonian Institutions
Stanley Black & Decker
The New York Times
The Wall Street Journal
Tiffany Design
Uber
Under Armour
United Nations
Walt Disney Animation Studios
Warner Bros. Pictures
YouTube

International

Art Studio Fuji, Florence, Italy
BBDO, Istanbul, Turkey
Beirut Art Center, Beirut, Lebanon
Bible Lands Museum, Jerusalem, Israel
BIGmind Design, Shanghai, China
Creative Capital, Shanghai, China
Cross World Connections, Tokyo, Japan
DDB&Co. Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey
FCB Ulka Advertising, Mumbai, India
Isobar HK, Hong Kong, China
KBS (Korean Broadcasting Station), Seoul, Korea
Milal Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea
MTV, Bangkok, Thailand
Ogilvy & Mather, San Reykjavik Art Museum
Salvador, El Salvador
Pentagram Design Inc., London, United Kingdom
Seoul Arts Center, Seoul, Korea
SuRReal, Bogota, Colombia
Third Line Gallery, Dubai, UAE
TipCat Interactive, Shanghai, China
WooTari, Seoul, Korea
Zhuzhong Art Museum, Beijing, China

“MICA grows a high-caliber student, with design integrity and forward thinking. At Under Armour we rely heavily on the emerging talents coming out of MICA.”

—Under Armour

FAST FACTS

97% of undergraduates are employed or in graduate school within one year of graduation.

70% of undergraduates have had one or more internships before graduation.

1362

Undergraduate students

549

Graduate students

24%

International students

48

Countries represented in the student body



BALTIMORE

There are few cities in the world more focused on creativity and innovation than Baltimore. It has the sophistication and amenities of a major city, while offering the charm and neighborly feel of a town. MICA's partnerships with institutions and corporations like Johns Hopkins University, Under Armour, and the Baltimore Museum of Art provide outstanding internships, jobs, and freelance opportunities for our students and alumni. With a thriving arts scene and an entrepreneurial spirit fueled by the MICA community, Baltimore is a cultural hub where creatives are launching their careers and finding success.

Baltimore Charm City

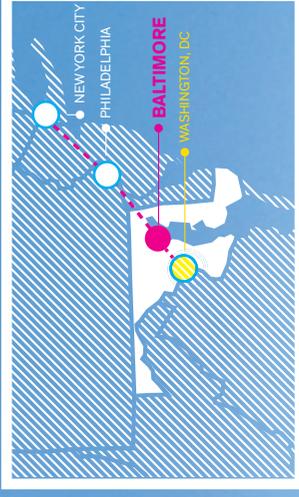
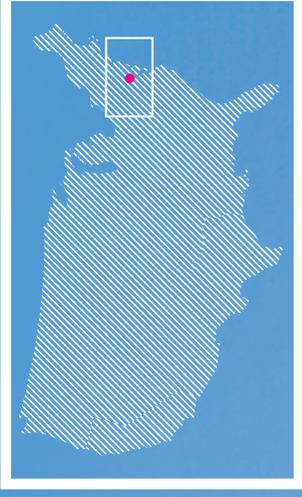
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- + Best Music Scene, *Rolling Stone* magazine
- + Top 5 Cities to Attend College, *American Institute of Economic Research*
- + Top 10 Best Major Metropolitan Areas to Attend College, *USA Today*
- + One of the "Top 10 Coolest US Cities to Visit", *Forbes* magazine
- + 96% out of 100% Art & Culture Score, *Forbes* magazine
- + One of the "East Coast's Next Cool Cities", *Smithsonian* magazine
- + One of the "Top 23 Best Places to Travel", *Architectural Digest*
- + *Forbes* named Baltimore the second best city in the country for tech jobs
- + *Entrepreneur* magazine named Baltimore as the second hottest startup city in the United States

East Coast Art Corridor by Train

NEW YORK CITY
2.5 hours / 300 km

PHILADELPHIA
1.25 hours / 175 km

WASHINGTON, D.C.
45 minutes / 65 km



STUDENT

RANKINGS

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GRAPHIC DESIGN

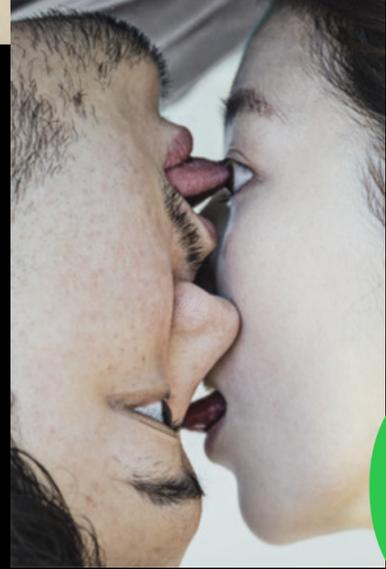
Best Grad School Rankings
U.S. News & World Report



Top 2 Studio Arts Programs in the U.S. Parade



Top 20 U.S. Design School GDUSA



25 Best U.S. Design Schools ID

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SCULPTURE

Best Grad School Rankings
U.S. News & World Report



Top Producer of Fulbright Fellows among specialty schools *The Chronicle of Higher Education*



Best Northeastern College
The Princeton Review

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PAINTING / DRAWING

Best Grad School Rankings
U.S. News & World Report



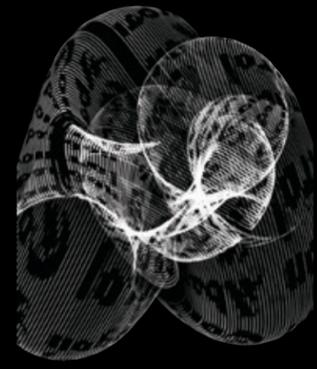
Top 10 Ranked College of Art
U.S. News & World Report



Forbes 30 Under 30 Art & Style



#3 Graphic Design
Animation Career Review



WORK



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