

## **VISUAL ARTS (BFA)**

Visual artists are driven by their passion to express themselves through their work and are motivated their surroundings. It's the way you perceive and interpret the world.

The visual arts program at Grenfell Campus is an immersive studio-based, four-year degree program in contemporary art. Explore your creativity through different areas of visual art, such as drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, photography, new media and digital imaging, installation, time-based practices, art history/visual culture, and textile/fibre art.

### **Why study visual arts at Grenfell?**

The visual arts program at Grenfell allows students to express themselves through various art forms and media. Our instructors support students in their journey to find the materials, processes, and practices that best suit their artistic visions. We will help you to enhance your technical skill, while developing your creative intent. Our program will also introduce you to contemporary art practices and give you the opportunity to work with celebrated national and international artists.

Grenfell has extensive facilities, dedicated to our visual arts program with a commitment to safe studio practices. In our department you will have access to: Studio space for painting and drawing with studio lighting, ventilation, easels, and storage; printshops for lithography, intaglio, relief, serigraphy, and a graphic arts darkroom; photography facilities, including darkrooms, a large digital inkjet printer, and shooting studio; fully equipped sculpture studio with three ceramic kilns, a fully equipped woodshop and an outdoor carving area; new media lab with Apple computer systems drawing tablets and industry standard applications from Adobe and Apple, facilitating production of print media, video, sound, animation and code; and the Grenfell Campus Art Gallery.

The visual arts community at Grenfell is a small and friendly one. You will find staff and fellow students willing to introduce you to the area, chat about art or visit the Grenfell Campus Art Gallery.

### *The Harlow experience*

Our visual arts program also includes an optional 12-week summer immersion program in Harlow, England just outside of London. Over a 12-week spring semester, you'll take daily field trips to important cultural and architectural sites in the UK. Most of the course work occurs directly in London, with regular trips into the city. These art history courses are immersive and experiential, offering a hybrid of art history, visual and material culture, and studio-based work. This unique opportunity is available every other year for any student in the visual arts program.

### **Courses and Program Requirements**

<https://www.mun.ca/university-calendar/grenfell-campus/grenfell-campus/7/4/#7.4.2>

### **Career opportunities**

There are many exciting career opportunities for graduates of our visual arts program, including artist, curator, illustrator, gallery owner, animator, graphic designer, art administrator, video game designer, art teacher, art therapist, art conservation, and many more.

Some graduates go on to study other areas such as architecture, forensic artistry and police photography, journalism, education, law, medicine and more. A visual arts degree is a respected stepping-stone in your career; it demonstrates creative thinking, problem solving and innovation.

### **Admission**

As part of your general application, students applying for the visual arts, BFA program must prepare a personal statement on why you are choosing visual arts as your area of study and why you would like to study at Grenfell Campus, as well as a summary of your art training and/or experience. If you don't have any formal training or experience, don't worry. Take this time to explore your passion for art and why you are interested in our program. In addition to your application to Memorial University, you must submit a portfolio of your artwork

### **Contact**

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