Senior Entry Bachelor of Fine Arts Review Required Criteria

The Senior Entry Review is required before students can register for Art 490 BFA Art/Design Studio & Art 495 BFA Senior Thesis.

You are eligible to submit Senior Entry Portfolio when you:

○ Have passed your Sophomore Portfolio Review
○ Have completed (or are in the process of completing) at least 15 credits of your 300-level studio course work with passing grades.
○ Have completed/in the process of completing at least 6 credits of art history courses with passing grades.
○ Have a minimum Institutional 2.75 GPA.

Application Requirements Checklist

○ Completion of 2nd year review
○ Minimum Institutional 2.75 GPA
○ Printed copy of UI web transcripts
○ Digital portfolio of 5 works curated to support your discussion and printed Image List.
  ○ Images can be submitted a USB drive compatible for Macs. Be sure to put your name on your USB drive. It will be returned to you.
  ○ Image files should be good quality with a resolution of at least 1000 px on the longest dimension. JPEGs or PDFs will be accepted.
  ○ We strongly suggest that more recent work (1-2 years old) be submitted. Older work can be included if it strengthens the application.
○ Printed Portfolio Narrative: should include title, media, dimensions, and year of each work included in your portfolio. This list should be numbered/labeled to correspond with image files turned in.
○ Motivation statement: write 1-3 concise paragraphs explaining how your Art + Design degree will be a foundation for your life or career goals. What do you want to do after you graduate? What career do you see yourself entering? Are you still deciding between different directions? Are you considering graduate school? If so, what might you want to study and how do you see your BFA degree contributing to your future graduate studies?
○ Senior studio direction statement: write 2-3 paragraphs that explain what project you think you will take on in 490 and 495. What media and processes do you plan to explore? What concepts/design problems do you plan to research? Be sure to explain how you will go about solving these problems that you set for yourself.

PLEASE NOTE:
The faculty may, at their discretion, make exceptions to the 15 credit 300-level requirement. On a case-by-case basis, they may allow students to proceed with only 12 credits provided that the final 3 credits are not in the student’s main focus area.

If an application is unsuccessful, students may reapply for entry in the following semester.

Incomplete applications will not be considered and will be returned to the applicant without review.
It is your responsibility to check your application and supporting materials thoroughly to be certain you have met all requirements.