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Closing date for 2019 Honours applications in Art History: 20/11/2018

Honours in Art History
Who is eligible to apply?

The prerequisite for Art History Honours is an average of 70% or higher in the Art History major, consisting of 6 senior units (36 senior credit points).

Students are also able to undertake Film Studies Honours in the Department – please see the Film Studies Honours advice for further information.

How do I apply?

Prospective Honours students should make preliminary enquiries with the Department. This is not a formal enrolment and does not commit you to Honours should you change your mind; it is simply helpful for the Department to gain some sense of student numbers, and for students as a way of beginning to think about supervisors and thesis topics.

Once you have been accepted into the Honours program by the Honours Coordinator (or Coordinators for Joint Honours) please go to Sydney Courses and locate your Degree with Honours (e.g. Bachelor of Arts Honours). Click on ‘Apply’ on the right-hand side. **Please note:** although there is a note below ‘Apply’ that indicates that the information is for prospective students, current students are also deemed ‘prospective students’ for Honours and therefore need to apply through Sydney Student.

Once you have enrolled with the Arts and Social Sciences Faculty, you must also come to the Department by mid-December. You will be asked to provide your details indicate your proposed thesis topic and supervisor. If you cannot attend during this time, you should contact the 2018 Honours Coordinator for the Department of Art History, Professor Roger Benjamin: roger.benjamin@sydney.edu.au
Can I do Honours part time?

The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences requires all students to enrol initially in Honours as full time. However, with Departmental approval, it is possible to change your enrolment to part time. Valid reasons include the need to seek employment and medical or personal reasons. Remember, however, that Honours can only be done part-time over two consecutive years, i.e. you cannot take a break in the middle. To change your enrolment, you will need a letter of approval from the Honours Coordinator to take to Arts and Social Sciences Faculty Office, where they will change your enrolment status.

Assessment

The Honours year comprises two semester-long units of study and a thesis of 18,000-20,000 words in length.

From 2018-2020, entry requirements include an average of 70 percent or better in an Art History major.

From 2021, entry requirements include an average of 70 percent or better in an Art History major and the completion of a second major.

Weighting of Honours year components:

Honours in Art History requires 48 credit points including:
(i) 12 credit points of 4000-level Honours Seminar units
(ii) 36 credit points of 4000-level Honours Thesis units

Additional Information

While knowledge of another language is not compulsory, university education provides many opportunities for acquiring or improving language skills which may be difficult to find later. These language skills are essential for research in many cases and are often highly valued by future employers, particularly in museums and art galleries. Students wishing to proceed to postgraduate research in Art History are therefore strongly advised to acquire a good reading knowledge of a language other than English. Furthermore, much significant scholarship is not translated (or if it is, much of its meaning changes); moreover, understanding of languages other than English helps one's command of English. A student may be precluded from doing postgraduate research in a particular area if s/he does not have reading knowledge of the appropriate language/s.