COLUMBUS COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN

I WILL MAKE ART THAT MATTERS
Where you’ll feel comfortable trying stuff out, even when it doesn’t work out.

Where you’ll learn how to build a project and how to build a business. (And how to make money.)

Where you’ll be set up for a life of confident exploration.

And where you’ll ultimately grow into a version of you so awesome the old you wouldn’t even believe it.
Welcome to Columbus College of Art & Design and welcome to the next step on your creative journey.

For more than 140 years, CCAD has helped emerging artists and designers harness their talents and create work that will change their lives, and the world, for the better. Our students and alumni are enhancing the world around us, instigating big changes in culture and commerce, and using art and design for social good. We call it “Proven Potential,” and it’s a key part of The CCAD Way, which also includes Creative Collaboration—our approach that prepares students for contemporary art and design practice and connects them with businesses and institutions around us—and Intentional Inclusivity, our purposeful efforts to welcome a diverse group of students to the college and to be an equitable and inclusive institution. Together these characteristics help students thrive in their careers and make CCAD a top art and design college in the United States.

Here at CCAD, you’ll get access to tools and people who will help you realize your vision. What does that mean? State-of-the-art facilities and access to talented faculty with industry connections to start, but also an environment where you’ll be supported holistically, with healthy practices (think sleep, mental and physical health, and more) at the core of your development.

Our campus community is small enough for you to build meaningful connections with other students, faculty, and staff outside of your major, but also large enough to attract a diverse student body from around the world. And it’s at the center of Columbus, the 14th-largest U.S. city and a place that boasts big-city culture, amenities, and employers paired with Midwestern warmth and openness. Whatever your goal, whatever your destination, you won’t have to go it alone. Our alumni and community partners will help you secure jobs and other opportunities right out of college—or, in some cases, well before you graduate.

Welcome to CCAD. We can’t wait to see what you do next.

Dr. Melanie Corn, President

See what Dr. Corn is up to

@melanie_corn
TAKE IMAGINATION FROM DAYDREAM TO EVERYDAY.
We’re a “Best Value for the Money” college. ¹

And here are some more things you’ll want to know about Columbus and CCAD...

No. 1 illustration program in Ohio.²
No. 2 city for gamers in the Midwest.³
No. 2 best city for new college grads.⁴
No. 3 highest concentration of fashion designers, behind New York and Los Angeles.⁵
No. 4 best city for female entrepreneurs.⁶
No. 5 animation program in the U.S.⁷
No. 6 U.S. cities with the youngest entrepreneurs.⁸
No. 7 startup city in the Midwest.⁹
No. 8 for work-life balance.¹⁰
No. 10 in the world for quality of life.¹¹

More quick things to know...
• No. 1 city to live in Ohio.¹²
• Named a top graphic design school.¹³
• 77.2% of graduates have jobs or educational plans a year after graduation.¹⁴

In 2020

1,009 students
36 states and U.S. territories
13 countries (including the U.S.)
10:1 student/faculty ratio

24% male students
60% female students
26% identify as students of color

¹. bestvaluecolleges.org, 2021
². Animation Career Review, 2021
³. WalletHub, June 19, 2021
⁴. SmartAsset, April 29, 2021
⁵. Women’s Wear Daily, Jan. 5, 2017
⁶. Best Value Schools, Feb. 27, 2021
⁷. TechRepublic, Aug. 13, 2019
⁸. LendingTree, Feb. 5, 2020
⁹. Midwest + startups, Aug. 26, 2020
¹⁰. SmartAsset, Jan. 13, 2021
¹¹. numbeo.com, June 28, 2021
¹³. Graphic Design USA, 2021
¹⁴. CCAD 2019 Outcomes Survey*

*Survey conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic; 2018 Outcomes Survey reported 83.7% of CCAD graduates have jobs or educational plans a year after graduation.
Who we are

CCAD was founded in 1879 and is one of the oldest art and design colleges in the United States. We’re an independent, nonprofit college, an accredited member of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), and we’re authorized by the Ohio Department of Higher Education. We’re also a member of the Association of Independent Colleges of Art and Design (AICAD).

Our Mission

CCAD fosters a diverse community that educates students so they can unleash their creative power to shape culture and commerce.

Our Vision

CCAD aspires to be a nationally recognized leader in art and design education. The work of the college and our alumni will amplify the necessity and importance of creative practices to our collective sense of cultural vibrancy and connectedness, to our economies and communities, and to social justice causes and civic engagement.
Through a partnership with 99P Labs, backed by Honda and The Ohio State University, CCAD students helped reimagine the future of mobility and create a new shared mobility prototype.
A few more things that will help you settle in right away:

Resident Advisors:
They are available to support residential students in the transition to college and while living in CCAD-sponsored housing.

The Cafe:
Order up locally roasted coffee from Crimson Cup.

The Market:
Our dining hall serves meals to suit all, such as fresh salads and entrées, including gluten-free, vegetarian, and vegan options.

Safety & Security:
A 24-hour security team keeps campus safe and productive.

Residence Life
Living on campus is the perfect way to make friends and an excellent central location from which to explore our college and city. It’s required for first-year students studying on campus, and you’ll stay in Schottenstein Residence Hall—aka Schott, where you’ll meet your new BFFs.

Visit ccad.edu/campusservices and ccad.edu/supportservices for more information.
Installed in 2001, our Art Sign is 100 feet tall, 101 feet wide, and weighs 24,000 pounds.

There’s a bunch of art on the inside, too.

Beeler Gallery shows work from artists and designers—including students, alumni, and faculty—that engages and inspires our own emerging artists and designers, as well as the public.

Ampersand Emporium carries swag conceived and designed by the creative minds of the CCAD Student Agency and work from CCAD alumni—plus art supplies so you can get to making your own work.

Acock Gallery is on the second floor of the Canzani Center and is used primarily for exhibitions of work by Fine Arts seniors. Each Fine Arts major completes a solo exhibition for their senior capstone class.

Byers Gallery, part of the Design Studios on Broad, also displays student exhibitions, including senior capstone shows, throughout the year.

Also, Columbus has 32,000 square feet of art in a onetime strip mall (and it’s growing!)

Good news: In 2021, Otherworld announced a 26,000-square-foot expansion, bringing even more art to town. Otherworld, a huge immersive art installation in a former strip mall just 15 minutes from campus, has more than 40 scenes filled with large-scale interactive art. Named one of the country’s top 10 new attractions by USA Today in January 2020, Otherworld happened thanks to the work of talented artists and designers, including Art Director and CCAD grad Scott Schaaf (Illustration, 2017). The 40-plus artists for the project also included Isabel Hickok (Cinematic Arts, 2017), Stewart Reber (Fine Arts, 2017), Nikos Rutkowski (Fine Arts, 2002), and Pilgrim Heidi Kambitsch (Fine Arts, 1999).
Student organizations widen your horizons and help you network.

Here's just a sampling of our student organizations:

- Advertising & Graphic Design Student Collective
- Animation Student Collective
- Asian/Asian American Student Association (AAASA)
- Basketball Club—CCAD Owls
- Battle Games Alliance
- Black Student Leadership Association
- CCAD Spinecrackers Book Club
- Coalition for Christian Outreach (CCO)
- Comics Collective (COCO)
- Fashion Student Organization
- Game Development Guild
- Hallyu
- Illustration Student Collective
- Industrial Design Student Collective
- International Interior Design Association (IIDA)
- International Students Association
- Jewelry Club
- Queer Alliance
- Student Government Association
- Student Programming Board

This isn't even the full list. Don’t see something that meets your interests? Start your own student organization.

Activities to enrich your life

Student Engagement & Inclusion works with the Student Programming Board (SPB) and other student organizations to plan and carry out activities to keep your life lively and interesting. Some are repeated every year, while others come and go according to student interest.
You can call it Cbus, Arch City, or Test Market USA. We just call it home.

Columbus is the capital of Ohio, and, as the 14th largest city in the U.S., Columbus is bigger than Boston, Denver, San Francisco, and Seattle. Here, you'll find all the culture and amenities you’d expect in a major city, with the friendly and approachable attitude of the Midwest. And because CCAD is closely tied to the city’s numerous art and design spaces and ever-expanding districts, you’ll have plenty of places to experience creativity and showcase your own.

Learn more at ccad.edu/columbus.

Columbus is also:

Home to one of the hottest job markets in the U.S.³
Top city for equality and recipient of a perfect score from the Human Rights Campaign.⁴
First place and $50 million winner in a nationwide contest to bring smart transportation to the city.⁵

1. The Columbus Dispatch, May 23, 2019
2. Citymayors.com
4. Human Rights Campaign, 2020
5. U.S. Department of Transportation, 2016
We’re home to even more interesting things, including America’s longest-running rock and roll venue; the largest multi-sport competition in the world; the best library system; the oldest African American business; the largest independent volunteer-run festival in the country; the nation’s no. 1 retail center experience; the birthplace of the author of Goosebumps; the world’s only topiary representation of a painting; the nation’s top science center; the headquarters of Abercrombie & Fitch, Jeni’s Splendid Ice Creams, Bath & Body Works, White Castle, and Wendy’s; the world’s largest private research and development foundation; the world’s biggest meatball and RuPaul’s Drag Race’s “Miss Congeniality” winner.

We’re leaving out a lot.

1 Newport @promowestlive
2 The Arnold @arnoldsports
3 Columbus Metropolitan Library @columbuslibrary
4 E.E. Ward Moving & Storage @eewardmoving
5 Comfest @comfest
6 Easton Town Center @eastontownctr
7 R.L. Stine @rl_stine
8 The Topiary Park of Columbus @topiaryparkcolumbus
9 COSI, Center of Science & Industry @cosiscience
10 Battelle @battelle
11 The Columbus Italian Festival @columbusitalianfestival
12 Nina West @ninawest

Columbus has answers.

Don’t worry. You’ll have plenty to do, plenty to see, and plenty to eat.

For sports fans
- Blue Jackets hockey @bluejacketsnhl
- Clippers baseball @clbclippers
- Columbus Crew soccer club @columbuscrew

For your late-night cravings
- Dirty Franks @dirtyfranksdogs
- Late Night Slice @latenightslice
- Condado @condadotacos

For tunes
- Skully’s Music-Diner @skullysmusicdiner
- Newport Music Hall @promowestlive

For inspiration
- Columbus Museum of Art @columbusmuseum
- Wexner Center for the Arts @wexarts
- Columbus Idea Foundry @ideafoundrycolumbus
- Billy Ireland Cartoon Library & Museum @cartoonlibrary
Our classrooms and studios are a great place to get creative, but your education will expand throughout Columbus’s vibrant and supportive creative community. Columbus is the place to grow, collaborate, and dream big.

Advertising & Graphic Design
The design here is strong, with orgs like the Columbus Society of Communicating Arts, and our AdGraph Collective. [Think: convos with CCAD alumni doing copywriting, merchandising, and package design for hip companies like Apple and Jeni’s Splendid Ice Creams.]

Animation
Animators, rejoice! You can stop by Malt Adult Animation Nites around town, hosted by grads Sarah Schmidt (Animation, 2014) and Ian Ballantyne (Fine Arts, 2014). Columbus is crawling with opportunities to draw from real life, thanks to Cafe Sketch, a class that partners with Ironwood Wolves, Ohio Nature Education, and the Ohio School of Falconry.

Comics & Narrative Practice
We are the center of the comics universe. After all, Columbus hosts the world’s largest collection of comics materials at the Billy Ireland Cartoon Library & Museum. Plus, Cartoon Crossroads Columbus (CXC) attracts award-winning comics pros, who’ve worked on such projects as Captain Marvel, Action Comics, and the Eisner Award-winning The Umbrella Academy.

Fashion Design
Being the third-largest employer of fashion designers in the country makes Columbus the perfect choice to study fashion. From Abercrombie & Fitch to ELOQUII, having so many companies close by gives us access to both internships and industry professionals.

Film & Video
Some of the top players in film and video are in Columbus, including such places as Mills James Creative Media, Spacejunk, and Kinopicz American. And the Columbus International Film & Animation Festival, Film Festival of Columbus, and regular gatherings of the Mid Ohio Filmmakers Association will help you thrive.

Fine Arts
Beeler Gallery, Wexner Center for the Arts, and Columbus Museum of Art are great for soaking in fine art. The city also has No Place Gallery, Sky Lab, 934 Gallery, and ROYGBIV Gallery all dedicated to young emerging artists. Columbus’s tight-knit arts community is both welcoming and supportive with organizations like the Greater Columbus Arts Council supporting and funding artists and organizations.

Game Art & Design
Into game design? Columbus is the place for you. We’re the number-one city for gamers in the Midwest (for real!) with yearly events like GDEX, the top gaming expo in the Midwest, and the Origins Game Fair, a tabletop gaming convention that’s been going on for 45 years.

Illustration
Columbus is home to a number of apparel companies, from Victoria’s Secret to Justice, that hire our illustration students as designers. And there are so many conventions and fairs where you can sell your work, from Origins Game Fair, Ohayocon, and Matsuricon, to SPACE, CXC, and Wizard World Comic Con.

Industrial Design
Design innovation is thriving in Columbus, with companies such as Battelle, Honda, and Nationwide. Partnerships with them allow you to explore AR, VR, and 3D printing in the real world. Plus, maker spaces like the Idea Foundry in the booming Franklinton neighborhood provide creative inspiration.

Interior Architecture & Design
We live in a commercial test market, and that means lots of opportunities for store design. Whether you want to design future store experiences for big commercial design companies like Chute Gerdeman, Fitch, and WD, or work directly for retailers designing their current stores (we’re looking at you, L Brands), Columbus has you covered.

Photography
Columbus is a playground for photographers, with numerous venues for fine arts photography, including 934 Gallery, which hosts shows for emerging artists, as well as less-expected places, including Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens. We’ve got amazing stores like Midwest Photo and the World of Photography. There are lots of opportunities at big-name companies looking for commercial work. And the networking in fine art and commercial photography is stellar.

COLUMBUS HAS IT ALL.
Here’s how much more expensive it is to live in other cities compared to Columbus:

- **+12%** Austin
- **+15%** Atlanta
- **+17%** Minneapolis
- **+25%** Denver
- **+25%** Baltimore
- **+35%** Chicago
- **+51%** Portland
- **+151%** NYC

Columbus has the cool factor of plenty of other major metro areas, but living here won’t put a huge dent in your wallet. For instance, it costs 35% more to live in Chicago than in Columbus.

**BIG CITY. SMALL PRICES.**

**HOUSING**

Renting a 2-bedroom apartment
- San Francisco: $4,128
- Portland: $2,679
- Chicago: $2,210
- Columbus: $1,084

Buying a 3-bedroom, 2-bathroom home
- San Francisco: $1,263,813
- Portland: $615,000
- Chicago: $513,821
- Columbus: $259,990

**OUT & ABOUT**

Movie ticket
- San Francisco: $15.04
- Portland: $11.33
- Chicago: $14.86
- Columbus: $10.56

Gasoline
- San Francisco: $3.82
- Portland: $3.22
- Chicago: $3.42
- Columbus: $2.62

**FOOD & DRINK**

Bread
- San Francisco: $3.92
- Portland: $4.55
- Chicago: $3.92
- Columbus: $3.19

Dozen eggs
- San Francisco: $3.49
- Portland: $2.12
- Chicago: $1.31
- Columbus: $1.00

Cappuccino
- San Francisco: $4.68
- Portland: $4.19
- Chicago: $4.19
- Columbus: $4.03

**HEALTH**

Yoga class
- San Francisco: $21.14
- Portland: $18.80
- Chicago: $19.00
- Columbus: $16.80

Dentist visit
- San Francisco: $138.14
- Portland: $96.40
- Chicago: $102.00
- Columbus: $83.26

Sources:
Bankrate.com, Nerdwallet.com, and Numbeo.com
TRAIN YOUR CREATIVITY LIKE YOU'RE GOING PRO. BECAUSE BELIEVE US, YOU ARE.
Tools of the trade (we have 'em)

A laser cutter that slices through almost any material. A three-axis router shopbot. A Stratasys 1200es that builds functional prototypes layer by layer with engineering-grade thermoplastics. Make your heart race? Ours, too. That's why our best-in-class fabrication lab—the Tad Jeffrey FabLab in Kinney Hall—is stacked with these tools and more. You can use them for your course projects or extracurriculars.

Animation is at home here

The Cloyd Family Animation Center, which opened in fall 2018, is a state-of-the-art facility that prepares Animation students to change culture and commerce by way of industry-standard creative tools that include a digital and virtual reality drawing labs, advanced color correction tools, and a dedicated stop-motion lab space.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg

From sewing machines to large-format printers, from a bronze casting foundry to a woodshop for furniture-making, our campus facilities give you the equipment and technology you need to unleash your creative vision.

WE HAVE THE GEAR YOU NEED TO TURN YOUR CREATIVE DREAMS INTO REALITY.

Left, Top: Tools like the FabLab’s automated laser cutter help you make designs that are a cut above the rest.
Left, Bottom: Animation students can hone their craft in a dedicated stop-motion classroom featuring 14 individual stations, cameras, and lights.
Learn on the job

Columbus is home to some of the country’s leading fashion and design companies and plenty of small, cutting-edge independent businesses. There are lots of opportunities here for you to get out and get to work. Here are some businesses that frequently engage with CCAD and our students (including offering internships):

- Abercrombie & Fitch
- Airstream
- Ascena Retail Group
- Cardinal Health
- Chute Gerdeman
- COSI
- E. & J. Gallo Winery
- Elevate Pictures
- Express
- GS
- Lextant
- Ohio Film Group
- Origo Branding
- Pixel Park
- Spacejunk Media
- Summerfield Advertising
- zulily

Learning in our classrooms is complemented by real-world experiences, such as Drew Summers’ (Advertising & Graphic Design, 2020) internship with branding agency Ologie.

Lay the groundwork

Yes, you’ll spend time in class and on classwork. But you’ll also put a fair amount of effort toward being a professional. Because as awesome as it would be to stay in college forever, what you’re really here for is to lay the groundwork for your amazing career.

Start with Career Services

We’ll help you build your brand and introduce you to art and design industry leaders (think Pixar and Hallmark) at recruiting events and internship and job fairs. We’ll also help with resumes and cover letters that stand out, and get you called for an interview.

Learn more at ccad.edu/supportservices.
CCAD Student Agency

The award-winning CCAD Student Agency is an integral part of CCAD’s Marketing & Communications department. It employs student videographers, illustrators, animators, and designers who create projects used in-house by CCAD. They also design all the awesome swag sold in Ampersand Emporium, our school store—and they even designed this book!

Corporate & Community Partnerships

Through our active Corporate & Community Partnerships, students from all programs engage with industry and nonprofit organizations who are looking for creative and innovative solutions. In the 2019–2020 academic year, we developed 24 projects in 28 courses with approximately 380 students working alongside organizations like Airstream, Cardinal Health, COSI, E. & J. Gallo Winery, the Furniture Bank of Central Ohio, Keep Ohio Beautiful, This One Dress, Odam Publishing, and the VA Central Ohio Healthcare System.

A dress designed by Ran (Peach) Tao (Fashion Design, 2019) sold out in just days on eloquii.com thanks to a partnership with the plus-size retailer.

In addition to the work you can do around Columbus, CCAD has two perfect opportunities for you to hone your professional skills without even leaving the college.

Your designs will get noticed.

CCAD Student Agency employees worked with the Greater Columbus Arts Council and Homage on T-shirts and tote bags sold to the crowd of thousands at the 2019 Columbus Arts Festival.

CCAD teamed up with the Furniture Bank of Central Ohio to create furniture for families in need.
CCAD PREPARES YOU FOR NOTEWORTHY CAREERS

in fields you might expect...

Author and Illustrator of children’s books
Executive Creative Director at 88 Brand Partners
Fine Artist and Owner of Holler Gallery
Prototyper at Netflix
Senior Brand Director for the Columbus Crew Soccer Club
Senior Designer at Abercrombie & Fitch

...and others you wouldn’t

Aerospace Engineer in the U.S. Air Force
CEO of Crown Equities
Director of Operations at OhioHealth
Director of Strategic Initiatives at COSI (Center of Science & Industry)
Librarian at the Dayton Metropolitan Library
Psychotherapist in private practice

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You have wide-ranging interests.

We can accommodate them thanks to our cross-disciplinary academic structure that enables you to enhance and customize your studies by taking on a minor or concentration or two in addition to your major.

Majors
Hone in on what you love. (And if you don’t know what that is right now, that’s OK. Read more on page 112.) Degrees in each major at CCAD require 120 credit hours of work.

- Advertising & Graphic Design
- Animation
- Comics & Narrative Practice
- Fashion Design
- Film & Video
- Fine Arts
- Game Art & Design
- Illustration
- Industrial Design
- Interior Architecture & Design
- Photography

Minors
When you choose a minor, you take a sequential course of study outside your major in one of the areas listed below. Each minor at CCAD requires 15 credit hours of course content.

- Advertising & Graphic Design
- Animation 2D
- Animation 3D
- Art History
- Art Therapy
- Business
- Comics & Narrative Practice
- Copywriting
- Creative Writing
- Design Research
- Fashion Design
- Film & Video
- Fine Arts
- Illustration
- Industrial Design
- Interior Architecture & Design
- Photography
- Social Practice

Concentrations
Concentrations provide you with an in-depth understanding of a specific skill set, and they’re open to students in any major. Each concentration at CCAD requires nine hours of coursework.

- Animation/Experimental
- Animation/Game Design
- Fine Arts/Ceramics
- Fine Arts/Drawing
- Fine Arts/Glass
- Fine Arts/Jewelry
- Fine Arts/Painting
- Fine Arts/Printmaking
- Fine Arts/Sculpture
- Illustration/Entertainment Design/Drawing
- Illustration/Entertainment Design/Modeling
- Illustration/Illustrative Design
Can't be here? You can still start your CCAD education.

Get a great start to your Columbus College of Art & Design education no matter where you are with our Online First Year Program.

First-year freshman students may opt to take a completely online curriculum for their first year at CCAD.

Our Online First Year Program enables you virtually to attend classes whenever works best for you. So, whether you’re in another time zone, sharing a computer with others in your household, or have health concerns that mean an on-campus experience just isn’t right for you right now, you can still access our rigorous and engaging curriculum online.

The Online First Year Program features courses that will give you a solid foundation. Our online course offerings will give you a strong start for your success as a student and in the professional world, with instruction that will cover key learning areas such as drawing, visual literacy, and contemporary art and design. Not to mention, you’ll also take math classes that will help you in your future as an entrepreneur, and writing classes that will help you tell your story and that of your creations.

Please note: While certain hybrid and online course offerings have been made available to all CCAD students, the entirely online curriculum is only available to students in their first year at the college, and is not available for transfer students.

Learn more about our Online First Year Program by contacting Admissions at admissions@ccad.edu.
With a strong foundation, you can build anything.

And your foundation will be built on CORE Studies—the classes that ensure you’ll graduate ready to face the world and succeed in your field. In other words, the kind of knowledge that prepares you for everything.

CORE Studio

CORE First Year
This requirement covers foundational courses for students in all majors. You’ll learn drawing, design, technology, and business.

CORE Studio (Sophomore Year)
Prepare yourself for a collaborative creative environment by learning technical skills outside your major.

CORE Studio (Junior Year)
You’ll learn how to think conceptually and work with students from many different majors.

CORE Practicum (Senior Year)
Learn the skills you need to succeed professionally with other artists and designers.

Liberal Arts

History of Art & Design
See how your major and your work fit in the history of art and design.

Writing, Literature & Philosophy
Learn how to communicate about and bring meaning to your work.

Science & Social Science
From physics to sociology, science informs art and design.

Business, Entrepreneurship & Math
You’ve done the work. Now learn how to make the money.
Quianna Blanc, Class of 2022  
@recycleenthusiast

Meera Ralhan, Class of 2024  
@meera_ralhan
Catapult yourself into an influential career, whether you work for yourself or with industry leaders. You’ll learn to take risks, influence decision makers, and propel social movements through distinctive branding and design solutions.

You’ll engage in the professional community via co-ops and internships at top design, advertising, and digital agencies. You’ll partner with companies and nonprofits and take part in industry events.

Our award-winning students make an impact in regional and national design competitions, and our graduates change the world. Columbus is a growing design hub whose agencies actively recruit CCAD alumni.

Facilities
You’ll create professional-quality work in spaces equipped with the latest and greatest software and tools to help you bring your vision to life.

- Up-to-date computer workstations with dual monitors and industry-standard software
- Video and photography studio outfitted with Canon DSLR cameras and professional lighting equipment
- Image scanners and Wi-Fi-enabled black-and-white printers
- Use of the Tad Jeffrey FabLab, CCAD Print Lab, Packard Library, and computer labs

Employers
A&E Networks, American Greetings, Apple, Arc Worldwide/Leo Burnett, BBDO Worldwide, E. & J. Gallo Winery, IBM iX, Interbrand, Jeni’s Splendid Ice Creams, JPMorgan Chase, Ogilvy & Mather, Procter & Gamble, Saatchi & Saatchi, Wondersauce, Young & Rubicam

See more work at: ccad.edu/adgraph | @adgraphcollective | #adgraphcollective
Allen Chandler, Class of 2022
@mash_art
*Class project, not client work.

Keely Stagg, Class of 2022
@keelystagg

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A hair

Hair
Your belly is full, but someone else’s is rumbling.

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Jillian Farris, Class of 2022
@jilliangfarris
*Class project, not client work.

Aaron Paul Bell, Class of 2021
*Class project, not client work.
Start a movement with motion.

Life is full of movement, and you’re here to capture it. Dive right into cutting-edge animation techniques and learn 2D, 3D, and experimental styles, as well as game art, motion graphics, digital modeling, virtual reality, and more. You’ll have access to industry-standard facilities, expert guidance, drawing events that will get you up-close to live animals, not to mention the support of peers in the Animation Student Collective.

Our graduates lead their fields as 2D animators, 3D modeling technical artists, story artists, layout artists for television, feature, and game animation, augmented reality designers, technical animators for feature animations or games, motion designers, architectural visualization producers, VFX and virtual set extension artists, and live theater and concert effects designers.

Facilities

The Cloyd Family Animation Center has the following:

- Mac and PC computer labs loaded with industry-standard software
- 24-inch Cintiq monitors so you can express yourself in 2D and 3D animation environments
- A stop-motion lab equipped with DSLRs and Dragonframe
- A Student Lounge; home to the Animation Student Collective
- A large, state-of-the art computer teaching lab
- A virtual reality drawing lab
- A flex space that changes based on project needs

Employers

Bento Box Entertainment, Blizzard, Cartoon Network, Demo Duck, Disney, Television Animation, DreamWorks Animation, Electronic Arts, Game-U, Laika, Nationwide Children’s Hospital, Nickelodeon Animation Studio, Phosphor Games, Pixar, Pixel Park, Procter & Gamble, Riot Games, Scanline VFX LA, Shadowmachine, Serenity Forge, Sony Pictures Animation, Stoopid Buddy Stoodios, Titmouse, Inc., Valkyrie Entertainment, Visualization Lab, Walt Disney Animation Studios, ZeniMax Media Inc.

See more work at:
ccad.edu/animation | @ccadanimation | #ccadanimation
Write, illustrate, and publish your own sequential art.

Our groundbreaking program is devoted to telling stories with words and images. You’ll create original comics and learn how to shape narrative elements and invent signature styles, stories, and characters. You’ll also meet with top industry practitioners and immerse yourself in the profession, culture, and art of comics as you gain practical experience with story pitches, prepress, budgeting, and marketing.

Our graduates can go on to work as independent artists, writers, publishers, comics illustrators, colorists, letterers, storyboard artists, and character developers for comics, animation, gaming, and toys.

Facilities
This is the spot for you to access the tools and spaces to tell your stories.
Illustration lab with scanners, black-and-white and color printers, drawing tables, open lounge space, Cintiq monitors, light table, drawing projectors, cutting table, mat cutter, cameras, and a cleaning sink
Computer lab with Cintiqs, ZBrush, and Adobe software
Access to printmaking lab and equipment
Access to the Tad Jeffrey FabLab that includes 3D printers, laser cutters, a CNC machine, and spray booths

Employers
Cartoon Network, DC Comics, Disney Consumer Products and Interactive Media, DreamWorks Animation, Hasbro, HelioScope, Image Comics, Marvel Comics, Milkfield Criminal Masterminds, Pixar, Sony Pictures

See more work at: ccad.edu/comics | @ccadcoco | #ccadcomics
Lexi Ramos, Class of 2021
@outraged_artist

Addi Kalmbach, Class of 2023
@clambatch
I don’t want to be here.

Let’s try this.

No! Fuck!

Nick Stellanova, Class of 2020
@nickstellanova

Mickey Dyer, Class of 2021
@mickeydyer

People were, in a word...
Excited.

This is everything I ever wanted.

And on the seventh day...
a ‘buy’ button appeared.
By the time you graduate, you’ll have the opportunity to contribute to some of the largest, most creative fashion brands in the world. Home of the third highest concentration of fashion designers in the U.S. (behind New York and Los Angeles), Columbus offers a fashion-forward backdrop for your ever-evolving designs. Our innovative program provides a rich understanding of the business so you can successfully create wearable art with purpose.

Our graduates go on to work as fashion designers, print and pattern designers, accessory designers, technical designers, costume designers, fashion forecasters, patternmakers, boutique owners, and stylists.

Facilities
You’ll have access to the labs and tools you need to make work that is as unique as your vision.

- Studios with sewing labs and industry-standard machinery, including specialized sewing equipment such as sergers and cover stitch machines for sewing knits
- A dye lab to make custom-colored and printed fabrics
- A Mutoh textile printer to create custom patterned fabrics
- Machine knitting studios and knitting machines to create fabrics from scratch
- Professional dress forms in a variety of sizes, including male, female, and child sizes
- Lectra CAD systems, Gerber PLM Production, and Accumark Patternmaking software systems

Employers

See more work at: ccad.edu/fashion | #ccadfashion
Stephanie Li, Class of 2021
@io_oi_s

JoVaughn Salaam, Class of 2021
@vonnapparel
Sharpen your creative eye with real-world assignments. You’ll explore every aspect of the filmmaking process, from pre-production through post-production and distribution, working with faculty who also practice professionally. Whether you want to make films, motion graphics, fine art installations, commercials, documentaries, or music videos, you can make them all with all the newest industry gear and tools.

Our graduates go on to work as directors, cinematographers, editors, producers, video installation artists, production designers, motion graphics artists, videographers, assistant directors, script supervisors, visual effects artists, sound designers, storyboard artists, and technical artists.

Facilities
Shoot like a professional, using industry-standard equipment and software, in spaces created to suit your needs.

- Fully equipped shooting studio
- Spacious screening rooms
- 4K cameras, audio recorders, microphones, tripods, lights, studio and field grip equipment, as well as camera dollies and jib arms
- Mac labs, editing stations, and production software including the Adobe Creative Suite, DaVinci Resolve, and Toon Boom
- Sound recording booth

Employers
American Film Institute, ArcLight Cinemas, BET, DreamWorks Animation, Newsweek, Oswald Marketing, Paramount Pictures, Pixar, Red Bull Records, Sony Pictures Imageworks, Universal, Walt Disney Animation Studios, Yum! Brands

See more work at: ccad.edu/filmvideo | @ccadfilmvideo | #ccadfilm
Realize your artistic vision and deepen your creative journey. Here, you’ll learn contemporary art theory while expanding your practice in any number of mediums, including drawing, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, painting, and more. Take part in intensive studio courses, network with internationally renowned visiting artists, and immerse yourself in the professional world with a methodology and worldview essential to any career.

Our graduates work as studio artists, art administrators, art educators, art critics, museum and gallery curators, exhibition designers, festival artists, gallery directors, museum preparators, public art sculptors, and gallery owners. They are also well-positioned to excel in competitive MFA programs.

Facilities
You bring the talent, we’ll provide the space and the tools you need to execute your vision.

- Expansive work stations for all fine arts students, including studio spaces for senior students
- Two student galleries
- Printmaking lab that’s equipped for intaglio, silkscreen, lithography, and relief printmaking processes
- Fully equipped ceramics studio, including clay mixers, extruders, slab roller, ceramic decal printer, and kilns that include gas, electric, and raku
- Facilities for working with jewelry, glass, and fibers

Employers
Christie’s New York, Glass Axis, Industrial Light & Magic, Janus Capital Group, John Bryan Community Pottery, Kehinde Wiley Studio, Marilyn Minter Studio, Marpha Foundation, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Museum of Modern Art, Ohio Arts Council, San Jose Repertory Theatre, Smithsonian Institution, Sotheby’s, Textile Arts Center

See more work at: ccad.edu/finearts | @ccadfinearts | #ccadfinearts
Qeturah Bolden, Class of 2021

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Alina Valenzuela, Class of 2021
Jade Males, Class of 2021

Sydney Pliska, Class of 2021
@sp_ceramics
Cory Harris, Class of 2021

Jiwoo Choi, Class of 2021
jiwooart.com
In our Game Art & Design major, you’ll share and build games created through your unique perspective. You’ll learn everything game-making, from introductory coding to playable prototypes. And you’ll do it while developing the skills and confidence to create digital and physical game-ready assets alongside emerging trends in augmented and virtual technologies.

Our graduates go on to work as independent production artists, interactive media artists, environment artists, concept artists, 2D or 3D animators, game designers, play-testers, and experiential leaders.

Facilities
Envision new worlds—and get access to the software and equipment to make them real.

- Mac and PC computer labs loaded with industry-standard software
- 24-inch Cintiq tablets to wire up and develop your 2D and 3D skills
- Augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) development kits and spaces to experiment
- Miniature green screen chroma key shooting stages
- Library access to new board games, VR, and wearable AR equipment
- 3D printing, tabletop, and analog kits
- Editing suites
- Play-testing area

Employers
360 Alley, Afroduck Studios, Arcane Studios, Bawden Studio, Game-U, GuessworkVR, LittleSeed, Maxgaming Studios, McGraw-Hill Education, Mindstream Interactive, Multivarious Games, Pixel Park, Artana, BioWare, Google, Insomniac Games, RIOT Games, Serenity Forge, Valkyrie Entertainment, ZeniMax Media Inc.

See more work at:
ccad.edu/gameart | @ccad_gcg | #ccadgameart
A point and click adventure inspired by art history and the Rococo period.

**A figure from a painting is lost in the museum!** They can’t remember what wing they came from or even who painted them. Help them find their way back by talking to various paintings in the museum and discover where they came from.

**Assets**

**Characters**

- Character style: Realistic and soft, characters should be modern
- Palettes: Painting
- Characters will mimic their appearance from real paintings.

**Game Play**

Answer the painting’s questions in order to find out where Rocky’s painting is. When you arrive at the correct spot, pick the painting and Rocky will have found her way home!

**Key Environment Assets**

- The levels will need two sets of assets:
  - The environmental assets specific to that level.
  - The environmental assets shared between levels.

Both will be in the painterly Van Gogh style.
Change the visual landscape with cutting-edge illustrations and learn to communicate ideas clearly through pictures. You’ll master the latest technology, study under industry leaders, and go on to create beautiful works that tell stories through printed books, motion graphics, fabric patterns, and so much more.

Our graduates go on to work as editorial illustrators, children’s picture book illustrators, advertising designers, character and asset designers, designers for web and mobile apps, greeting card illustrators, video game art designers, poster artists, apparel graphics designers, product and toy designers, newspaper artists, film effects creators, and cartoonists.

Facilities
Your work tells stories. Here, you’ll have access to the tools and the workspaces that will make them sing.

Illustration lab with scanners, black-and-white and color printers, drawing tables, open lounge space, Cintiqs, light table, drawing projectors, cutting table, mat cutter, limited cameras, and a cleaning sink

Computer lab with Cintiqs, ZBrush, and Adobe software

Access to printmaking lab and equipment

Access to the Tad Jeffrey FabLab that includes 3D printers, laser cutters, a CNC machine, and spray booths

Employers

See more work at:
ccad.edu/illustration | @ccadillustration | #ccadillustration
Discover problems and create solutions. Here, you’ll engage in collaborative projects with peers, faculty, and clients like 99P Labs, backed by Honda and The Ohio State University. Our designers are inventors, innovators, and game changers. We help nonprofits design new goods, and we re-imagine and execute the design of everything from bicycles to cosmetics.

Our graduates leave with a professional mindset that can be applied across industries, from helping companies understand their future customers through our design research minor to bringing new ideas to fruition in consumer electronics, medical devices, retail and trade displays, sporting goods, soft goods, and shoe industries.

Facilities
You’ll find space for collaboration and new approaches to problem solving, plus the equipment needed to make it all happen.

The Tad Jeffrey FabLab, which includes CNC machining equipment, a CNC wire bender, laser cutters, large-format 3D printers, two small and one large walk-in spray booth, and vacuum formers

A fabrication shop where you can construct models in wood, plastic, foam, and metal, and use pressure tanks to create silicone molds, enabling you to design and build mass-produced items such as ceramics or jewelry

A woodshop for furniture-making and model work, including tools to drill, cut, and plane a variety of materials, from wood to high-density foam

Employers

See more work at:
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@hey.there.mariah

Connor Thune, Class of 2023
@cthune_design

*Class project, not client work.
As we look for better ways to interact with our changing landscape, social fabric, and community needs, the way we design our environments matters more than ever. Here, you’ll find the facilities, tools, and faculty to make your dreams of designing a reality. We have a user-centered approach to thoughtfully research, plan, solve problems, and design interior spaces through real-world exercises and socially appropriate contexts.

**Our students go on to work as** space planners, commercial interior designers, furniture designers, visual merchandisers, residential designers, design researchers, design strategists, lighting designers, textile designers, retail designers, project managers, and sustainability consultants.

**Facilities**

Make spaces that matter in facilities that enable you to reach your potential.

- Open studio and critique space with individual work areas
- Fully equipped lighting, print, and computer labs
- Material samples, catalogs, and flat file storage
- The Tad Jeffrey FabLab, which includes laser cutters and 3D printers for prototype fabrication of models, furniture, and objects
- A woodshop for furniture-making and model work
- A construction demonstration area and full-scale building space

**Employers**

Big Red Rooster, Chute Gerdeman, FITCH, FRCH NELSON, Gensler, L Brands, Moody Nolan, NBBJ, WD Partners

See more work at:  
ccad.edu/interior | @ccadinterior | #ccadinterior
Collaborative Class Project Special Topics
Airstream Collaboration
CO-WORKING CENTER WITH PRIVATE BALCONIES

VIA FROM PRIVATE OFFICE

PRIVATE OFFICE EXAMPLE

OCEAN VIEW OFFICES

View from Private Office

Co-Working Center with Private Balconies

Kayla Guy, Class of 2021
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Kayneisha Holloway, Class of 2020
@artdealerchic
Dive into shooting, research, and presenting to refine your unique vision as you learn the craft and language of image making. Here, you’ll work with faculty who practice professionally and have the support of peers in the Photography Collective. You’ll expand meaning-making to create effective, original works and will have access to professional gear and cutting-edge digital tools, as well as traditional techniques and historical processes.

Our photography graduates lead the field as commercial photographers, fine artists, educators, business owners, and more. They also succeed in competitive MFA programs.

Facilities
This is the place for studio spaces, darkrooms, labs, and tools that will help you create images that get noticed.

- A 2,000-square-foot commercial photo studio with dedicated Canon 5D cameras and a large-format digital capture camera
- A wide array of analog and digital cameras and lighting equipment
- A black-and-white darkroom, a large-format darkroom, and an individual photosensitive process lab
- Canon 17-, 24-, and 44-inch printers, calibrated computers, and Adobe Creative Cloud

Employers
Anthropologie, ArcLight Cinemas, Best Buy, Culinary Institute of America, Express, The Gap, Gene Siskel Film Center, HuffPost, Jeni’s Splendid Ice Creams, Jo-Ann Stores, OneKreate, Paramount Pictures, Rocky Brands, Tate Galleries, Wall Street Journal, Walmart, zulily

See more work at:
ccad.edu/photography | @ccadphoto | #ccadphotography
Katherine Baxter, Class of 2021

Adam Fakult, Class of 2020
@adamfakult
Haven’t decided on a major yet? That’s totally OK.

You don’t have to commit to a major when applying to CCAD.

Incoming first-year students can come in as undeclared students. You’ll have the opportunity to explore our majors with a studio course and then make a decision on what’s the best fit for you in time for spring semester.*

*This option is not available to those considering Fashion Design or transfer students in all majors.
CCAD isn’t for everybody. But if you’re someone who thinks differently, who cares about the larger world, who is driven to create, and who thrives in a diverse community, CCAD is the place for you.
We’re nestled in the middle of Columbus’ thriving downtown, with coffee shops, innovative museums, restaurants, and sports arenas all within walking distance of the school. Wanna go farther? All CCAD students get access to free bus passes. Plus, we have accessible parking.

We’ve tried to give you as much info as we can about CCAD, but there’s nothing quite like visiting us in person. Contact our Admissions team to schedule a tour. We can’t wait to show you around.

Book a tour at ccad.edu/planyourvisit or explore us online at ccad.edu/virtualtour.

Map of Columbus
1 Wolf’s Ridge Brewing
2 The Roosevelt Coffeehouse
3 Pierogi Mountain
4 Stauf’s Coffee
5 Late Night Slice
6 Yellow Brick Pizza (Scheduled to open in fall 2021)
7 The Olde Towne Tavern
8 North Market
9 Columbus Museum of Art

Our Campus
1 Design Studios on Broad & Cloyd Animation Center
2 Design Square Apartments & Ampersand Emporium
3 Grant Labs
4 Joseph V. Canzani Center & Beeler Gallery
5 Loann Crane Center for Design
6 Administration Building
7 Schottenstein Residence Hall
8 Studio Hall
9 Kinney Hall
10 Battelle Hall
Most CCAD students receive some form of financial aid.

Your college education is a major investment in you—your work, your passions, and your vision for the future. Whether you use scholarships, loans, grants, on-campus employment, or some combination of all of the above, there are many options and opportunities that can make CCAD possible for you financially.

The financial aid process is as easy as 1-2-3-4-5

2. Submit your application materials to CCAD.
3. Keep your eye on your email inbox for your CCAD financial aid offer and return necessary paperwork, including verification paperwork, if it is requested.
4. Apply for grants, scholarships, and loans from non-CCAD sources, if needed.
5. Stay connected by contacting one of our financial aid counselors at financialaid@ccad.edu or 614.222.3295 to ask any questions you may have.

FAFSA

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the foundation of the financial aid process here at CCAD, and must be completed to receive a financial aid package. We encourage all U.S. citizens and permanent residents (green card holders) to apply for financial aid using the FAFSA.

Complete the FAFSA online at fasfa.gov.

Choose CCAD as a recipient of the results by using our FAFSA Code: 003039.

CCAD Scholarships

Each year, we award several types of scholarships to students. They include:

- Merit scholarships, based on the overall quality of your application, including your GPA, essay, and portfolio
- Endowed scholarships, based on financial need, academic merit, and artistic criteria
- Scholarships for students who demonstrate particular levels of engagement in the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, Ohio Governor’s Youth Art Exhibition, and National Art Honor Society

For International Students

If you’re an international student (non-U.S. citizen or non-permanent resident/green card holder), you’ll automatically be considered for CCAD scholarships when you submit your application. However, CCAD is not able to award any other form of aid to international students. A declaration of finances (demonstration of ability to pay) will be required for any international student who wishes to enroll at CCAD. The United States government requires us to state that international students must realistically plan to meet their educational expenses throughout their academic career.

Find out more at ccad.edu/international.

Grants & More

CCAD Grants

CCAD offers grants based on students’ financial need, calculated once they have submitted their FAFSA.

Federal Pell Grant

This grant is awarded by the federal government to students who demonstrate exceptional financial need. To be eligible, you must complete the FAFSA and be a full-time undergraduate student.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

To be considered for this grant, students must fill out the FAFSA. Students who will receive Federal Pell Grants and have the most financial need are given first priority for this grant.

Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG)

The Ohio Department of Higher Education administers this program, which provides grant money to Ohio residents enrolled at Ohio colleges or universities who demonstrate the highest levels of financial need as determined by the FAFSA.

Other Scholarships

Many organizations and agencies offer scholarships to college-bound students. Ask your teachers, college counselors, and friends about resources to find external scholarships. It’s worth it since CCAD will recognize most external scholarships you bring.

For information about tuition and fees, visit ccad.edu/tuitionfees.
And there are even more ways to pay for college.

**Federal Direct Student Loan**
These federal student loans help cover the cost of higher education. The U.S. Department of Education offers eligible students at participating schools Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans—some people refer to these loans as Stafford Loans or Direct Stafford Loans. You’ll be considered for these loans when you submit the FAFSA.

**Federal Direct Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)**
PLUS Loans are federal loans that parents of dependent undergraduate students can use to help pay education expenses. The U.S. Department of Education makes Direct PLUS Loans to eligible borrowers through schools participating in the Direct Loan Program. Contact our Financial Aid office for more information.

**Student Employment**
On-campus employment through the Federal Work Study (FWS) Program is part of many CCAD students’ financial aid packages. You’ll be considered for FWS when you submit the FAFSA.

**Alternative/Private Student Loans**
Private lenders can provide loans to fill gaps between your financial aid package and your total educational costs. These loans can be used for tuition and other expenses, including room and board, travel, off-campus study, computers, and art supplies. Contact our Financial Aid office for more information.

**Veterans’ Benefits**
CCAD is approved by the State Approving Agency and the Veterans Administration for educational benefits for veterans.

For the most up-to-date information, visit [ccad.edu/finaid](http://ccad.edu/finaid).
Creative minds were made for times like these.

CCAD is a community of creative problem solvers, artists, designers, and visionaries. Although the COVID-19 pandemic has presented unprecedented challenges for institutions of higher learning around the globe, including CCAD, it has not stopped us. We’re keeping our students safe while welcoming them back to campus this fall with in-person classes and open residence halls.

For a comprehensive and current look at CCAD’s response to COVID-19, visit ccad.edu/ccadtogether.
WITH CCAD, YOU'LL DEVELOP
 THE SKILLS TO MAKE WORK
 THAT STANDS OUT.
For their senior thesis, Anna-grace Blackburn (Advertising & Graphic Design, 2019) and Reed Costello (Advertising & Graphic Design, 2019) created SoFest, an art and music festival in Columbus’s SoHud neighborhood that included everything from punk to hip hop performances, artists and vendors, food trucks, and even an old school bus-turned-mural. If you, like them, are driven to create, to change culture and commerce, and make an impact on your community, Columbus College of Art & Design is the place for you.

Anna-grace Blackburn, Class of 2019, @annna_gracee
Reed Costello, Class of 2019, @reed_costello

How to apply:

Our application process is simple, and we’re here to help you along the way.

Visit ccad.edu/apply to get started.

Equal Opportunities

CCAD employs positive practices designed to ensure the full realization of equal opportunity for all students and employees. Any unlawful harassment of others is not permitted, regardless of the individual’s status at the college.