

Orientation: Study Affairs

Master's Programme in Art and Media

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Orientation: Study Affairs

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Art and Media Student Services



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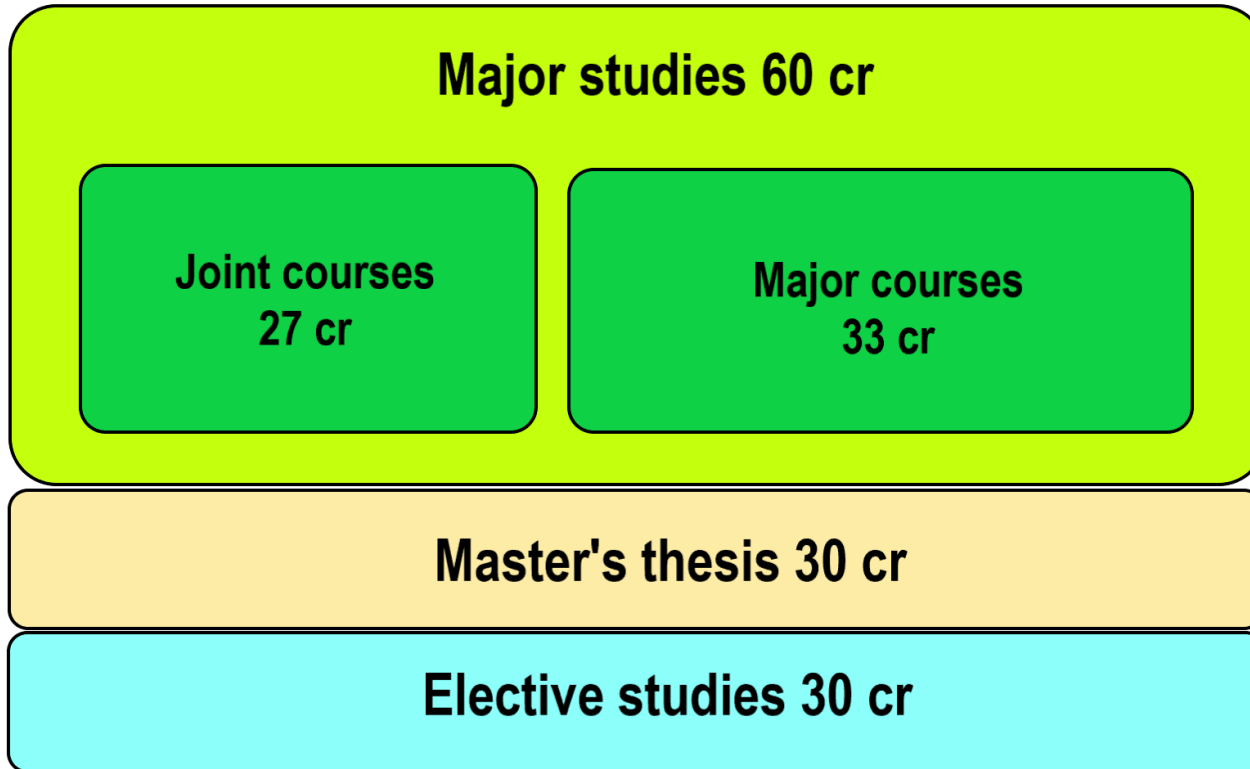


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Appointments: mystudies.aalto.fi

Structure of the MA degree 120 cr



Major studies 60 cr

- **Programme compulsory joint studies 27 cr**
 - AXM-E0001 Thinking Practices in Art & Media 6 cr
 - AXM-E0002 Doing Research in Art & Media 6 cr
 - AXM-E0003 Art of Writing / Kirjoittamisen taito 6 cr
 - AXM-E0004 Art & Media Thesis Seminar 6 cr
 - AXM-E0005 Creative Professional Life 3 cr
- **Major compulsory and alternative studies 33 cr**
- **students.aalto.fi -> Master's programme in Art and Media
-> Curriculum 2022-2024**
- **sisu.aalto.fi -> Structure of studies**

Elective studies 30 cr

(not for Art Education / Kuvataidekasvatus)

Courses that you choose yourself! Your elective studies can include:

- **Elective courses of your own major**
- **Elective art and theory studies (TAITE)**
- **A minor**
- **Courses from other programmes/majors at Aalto University**
- **Language courses**
- **Courses from other Finnish universities (JOO)**
- **Exchange studies**
- **Internships (in Finland and abroad)**

Minor 18-30 cr

- **Part of the elective studies**
 - E.g. if you complete a 18 cr minor, you have 12 cr left for other elective courses
- **Can be from any field of study**
 - List of minors at students.aalto.fi
- **Some minors are “open”, some require application**
 - Read carefully the information on each minor
- **Application period for ARTS minors in April-May 2024**
 - aalto.fi: “Instructions for applying for ARTS Minors”

Exchange studies

- Possible to apply for student exchange for one semester (autumn 2024) to one of Aalto's partner institutions
- Exchange studies are included in the degree, typically as elective studies
- Interested in exchange? Start planning well in advance
- Application period for next autumn is in January 2024
- More information on the destinations, application criteria and other practicalities at students.aalto.fi:
-> Other studies -> Exchange studies

Language requirements

Students educated in Finnish or Swedish

If completed as part of a Finnish BA degree: no language requirements.

If not completed in previous BA degree, the language requirements are:

- 9 credits: 3 cr in written and oral communication, 3 cr in the second national language of Finland, and 3 cr in one foreign language.

Students educated in other languages than Finnish or Swedish

- 3 cr in one foreign language.

Language courses are part of the elective studies

students.aalto.fi -> Language and communication studies

Credit transfer

If you have completed individual courses in other universities, you can transfer them to Aalto and include them in your elective studies.

As a rule, you cannot transfer credits from your BA degree.

students.aalto.fi:

-> Applications, instructions and guidelines -> Credit transfer

Master's degree, 2 years

1st year

Programme and major compulsory courses

Elective and language courses

2nd year autumn

Thesis seminar

Electives / minor / exchange

2nd year spring

Thesis seminar (continues)

Thesis

Recommended study timetable

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Recommended timetables

Art Education	+
Photography	+
Game Design and Development	+
New Media	+
Sound in New Media	+
Visual Communication Design	+
Visual Cultures, Curating and Contemporary Art	+

Sisu – sisu.aalto.fi

- **Student and study information system**
- **Planning your studies**
 - Create and follow your personal study plan (PSP)
 - See your weekly schedule and lecture locations
- **Registering for courses**
 - Add courses to your plan and register for them
 - Check your completed credits in Sisu
- **Submitting applications**
 - Apply for credit transfer, course substitution, graduation
- **Sisu clinic on Thursday at 10-12 am in room R102 (Väre)!**
- **Detailed Sisu instructions at students.aalto.fi**

Where to find information?

students.aalto.fi

- curriculum, academic calendar, rules and regulations, instructions

sisu.aalto.fi

- personal study plan, course registration, grades, applications

mycourses.aalto.fi

- course homepages, assignments, materials

mail.aalto.fi

- newsletters, events, application periods

mystudies.aalto.fi

- services for students, booking appointments

Your academic advisor

- A faculty member in your own major
- Assigned to you in the beginning of your studies
- Your primary contact for questions related to the *contents* of your studies and your personal study plan
 - What alternative/elective courses should you take
 - Which minor would be suitable for you
 - What courses would support your career goals
 - Practical training / Internships
 - Thesis process

Learning Services

- **Structure** of your studies: what is possible, what is not
- Technical issues with Sisu and other portals
- How to? Apply for a minor, for student exchange, for credit transfer...

ARTS Learning Services

Väre building, M wing, 3rd floor, room M311

studentservices@aalto.fi

Booking appointments: mystudies.aalto.fi

What's next?

Today afternoon: at 14:00 tea and coffee on the Väre terrace

Wednesday and Friday:

- major specific orientation events

Thursday:

10.00-12.00 Study counselling clinic, IT Class R102 in Väre

12.00-13.30 ARTS Workshops, Lecture hall C, Otakaari 1

14.30-15.30 Better Student Life at Aalto, Lecture hall U2, Otakaari 1

10.00-16.00 Aalto Welcome Fair, Otakaari 1 lobby

Thank you!

Questions?



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