

**MCAD FACT SHEET FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS (UArts) STUDENTS SEEKING TO ATTEND  
MINNEAPOLIS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN (MCAD) AS AN  
UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER STUDENT**

Located in Minneapolis, Minnesota since 1886, the Minneapolis College of Art and Design (MCAD) has been recognized nationally and internationally for its innovative approaches to art and design education. MCAD offers two four-year undergraduate degrees: a bachelor of fine arts (BFA) and a bachelor of science (BS), as well as graduate degrees in visual arts, design, creative leadership, and sustainability. To learn more, visit [mcad.edu/why-mcad](https://mcad.edu/why-mcad)

The MCAD community is saddened by the closing of The University of the Arts (UArts), its effect on UArts students, and the loss for the national art and design community. Our goal at MCAD is to assist UArts students with enrolling at MCAD while maintaining a high level of academic quality and student services. We realize that the closing of UArts is a stressful situation, and have streamlined the process for UArts students to enroll at MCAD. We need you to carefully follow the process we have outlined and complete the steps by posted dates. For detailed information, please contact [admissions@mcad.edu](mailto:admissions@mcad.edu) or (800) 874-6223, x.1.

**MCAD Areas of Study**

**Majors:** Animation, Comic Art, Creative Entrepreneurship, Fine Arts (Drawing and Painting, Print Paper Book, Sculpture and Expanded Media), Furniture Design, Graphic Design, Illustration, Media Arts (Arts and Technology, Filmmaking, Photography), Product Design

**Minors:** Advertising, Animation, Art History, Creative Writing, Engaged and Public Arts, Entrepreneurship, Experimental Games, Graphic Design, Print Paper Book, Teaching Artist

**UArts Undergraduate Student Transfer To MCAD**

- Items marked with an asterisk symbol (\*) are a special accommodation made specifically for UArts students who complete the admission process by the posted deadlines.
- MCAD will review for Transfer admission all UArts students who wish to apply to the undergraduate program at MCAD. For Fall 2024 entrance only, MCAD will make an exception to the maximum number of transfer credits of 63 credits allowed\*.
- To apply for admission and be eligible for enrollment to MCAD as a Transfer student, students must complete the application process below by July 1, 2024 for Fall 2024 enrollment.  
<https://mcad.edu/admissions-and-aid>

If admitted, Transfer students must complete the following to be eligible for enrollment at MCAD:

- Payment of a \$300 tuition deposit (credited towards Fall 2024 tuition charges) by July 15, 2024 to be eligible for course registration
- Receipt of a final, official transcript from UArts in good standing
- [MCAD Housing Requirement for first and second year students](#).

UArts students who transfer to MCAD will receive an MCAD degree upon completion of MCAD's graduation requirements. All transfer students are required to satisfactorily complete remaining coursework at MCAD and meet MCAD degree requirements in order to be awarded an MCAD degree.

The above information does not negate other MCAD policies as outlined in the MCAD Student Handbook. When enrolled at MCAD, transfer students must comply with all MCAD policies not explicitly outlined above.

**MCAD Application Process**

We encourage UArts students to meet the **deadline of July 1, 2024** to be eligible to qualify for admissions for Fall 2024. The following application materials must be submitted by you to be considered for admission and matriculation to MCAD for Fall 2024 entrance. Please visit [mcad.edu/admissions-aid](https://mcad.edu/admissions-aid) for detailed application information.

**1. Application Form and Fee Waiver**

- a. To begin the admission and transfer process, complete the **online application form** at [mcad.edu/application/portal](https://mcad.edu/application/portal) as soon as possible, but no later than **July 1, 2024**. Use the application fee waiver code **UArts2024**. MCAD has waived the required application fee of \$50 for all UArts students.

2. **Official Transcripts: High School or GED, UArts, and all other colleges/universities - submitted via [mcad.slideroom.com](https://mcad.slideroom.com)\***
3. **ACT or SAT Test Scores (optional) - submitted via [mcad.slideroom.com](https://mcad.slideroom.com)\***
4. **One Letter of Recommendation - submitted via [mcad.slideroom.com](https://mcad.slideroom.com)\***
5. **Personal Statement - submitted via [mcad.slideroom.com](https://mcad.slideroom.com)\***
6. **Portfolio of Visual Art - submitted via [mcad.slideroom.com](https://mcad.slideroom.com)\***

*\*Please select the BFA Spring 2025 program in Slideroom if applying for FA24 BFA or select BS Spring 2025 program in Slideroom if applying for FA24 BS*

### **Transfer Credit Evaluation\***

For Fall 2024 entrance only, MCAD will make an exception to the maximum number of transfer credits of 63 credits allowed, for students from UArts. Once accepted for admission at MCAD, you will receive an official transfer credit evaluation outlining the credits remaining to complete your degree at MCAD. MCAD will consider transferring in any UArts liberal arts or studio arts credits that meet our curriculum requirements with a grade of C or better. Credits taken at colleges or universities that have been accepted for credit by UArts will be evaluated by MCAD for transferability. Students should not assume that credits from other institutions awarded by UArts will be automatically transferred to MCAD. For students entering Fall 2024 semester, final materials for transfer, including final official Spring 2024 transcripts, must be received before Friday July 1, 2024.

#### **For Liberal Arts transfer credit**

Liberal arts classes that are comparable to those taught at MCAD will be considered, including most art history, humanities, language, and social science courses. Course content is always considered when determining the transfer of credit and a course description June be required in order to determine transfer eligibility.

#### **For Studio Arts transfer credit**

Studio arts classes that are comparable to those taught at MCAD will be considered for transfer. UArts students who are admitted to MCAD are required to submit studio transfer portfolios for non-foundation level courses. Contact [admissions@mcad.edu](mailto:admissions@mcad.edu) for more information.

### **Course Registration**

Students who have submitted their \$300 tuition deposit by the **July 15, 2024** deadline will be notified of next steps regarding course registration.

### **Financial Aid Information**

- To qualify for need-based financial aid, all students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [fafsa.ed.gov](https://fafsa.ed.gov) by **July 1, 2024**. MCAD's school code is 002365.
- Application, evaluation, and awarding of financial aid and admissions merit scholarship funds will be consistent between UArts students and MCAD students. UArts students who complete the application requirements by **July 1, 2024** and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application, including all required financial aid forms, will receive an award notification within two weeks.
- Financial Aid Award Notifications will include the estimated cost of attendance, along with names and amounts of financial aid assistance being offered by MCAD (MCAD institutional aid), state aid, federal aid, and federal work-study, if eligible. MCAD Merit Scholarship awards range from \$12,000 - \$27,000 per year and are renewable for up to four years. For more information, visit [mcad.edu/financial-aid](https://mcad.edu/financial-aid).

### **Tuition and Fee Charges**

Current tuition costs are \$44,784 [mcad.edu/admissions-aid/undergraduate-admissions-and-aid/cost](https://mcad.edu/admissions-aid/undergraduate-admissions-and-aid/cost). Students will also be assessed a student experience fee of \$300 and a technology fee of \$400 for the 2024-2025 academic year. These charges are the same as other undergraduate students attending MCAD. No additional special fees will be charged to UArts students. An itemized tuition bill for fall semester 2024 will be available to deposited students no later than **July 16, 2024**. Fall 2024 semester tuition payment is due in full by **August 1, 2024**.

### **Questions?**

Please contact the MCAD Admissions Office with any questions: (612) 874-3760 or [admissions@mcad.edu](mailto:admissions@mcad.edu). We are available Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (CDT) to assist you.