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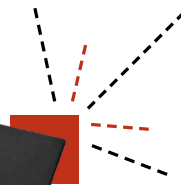
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**THE LAST MILE**



# PATHWAY TO PROMISE



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## Student Success Coach Responsibilities

- My goal is to make sure you understand all you need to know about your degree requirements at Valencia College.
- I will provide a safe space for you to discuss your concerns and I will listen, be present, respectful, and genuine.
- Our resources are endless! I will always point you in the right direction if you connect with me.
- I will help you with your questions about colleges and universities you are thinking about transferring to and what it takes to get there.
- Helping you find a major and a career that is right for you is my goal. I will provide you with information and support you along the way.
- This is your journey, but you are not alone! I will help you select your courses, understand your prerequisites, create your plans and set goals.

## Student Responsibilities

- I will connect with my **Student Success Coach** every semester.
- When I schedule an appointment, I will start thinking about what I want to talk about.
- I will bring my “note-taking tools” with me to my appointments (e.g., phones, tablets, or good old paper and pen).
- We will be going over important information, so I will keep all of it handy and refer to it often.
- If my Student Success Coach refers me to any resources, I will be sure to follow through and I will stay in touch.
- I will take responsibility, know the deadlines, ask questions, stay on track and be the one to know what to do.



# Congratulations on pursuing your passion in Art, Studio Fine Art!

## Things to consider:

- Visit **galleries, museums**, new exhibits and gallery openings to view a wide range of art work in order to see what you like.
- Consider purchasing *The Natural Way to Draw* by Kimon Nicolaides as it provides drawing exercises and explanations.
- Be prepared to receive feedback of your artwork. Remember, it's a critique of your artwork, not of you as a person.
- Start preparing for what area you would like to focus on e.g. ceramics, sculpture, painting, drawing or photography.
- Make sure that each project you create is portfolio ready. Focusing on the competencies and workload of each project will help you plan accordingly.
- Consider submitting your art work at Valencia's annual juried student exhibition held during the spring term.
- It is recommended that you take no more than two studio classes at a time and do not overload your schedule.
- Be confident in the work you produce and the ability to discuss the work. The presentation of the work can make it or break it.

# What is a Meta-Major?

**Meta-majors** are collections of academic majors that have related courses. The intent of selecting a meta-major is to help students choose a major and degree based on their interests, knowledge, skills and abilities.

The eight meta-majors are: (a) Arts, Humanities, Communication and Design, (b) Business, (c) Education, (d) Health Sciences, (e) Industry/Manufacturing and Construction, (f) Public Safety, (g) Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, and (h) Social and Behavioral Sciences and Human Services.

## **What is the Arts, Humanities, Communication and Design Meta-Major?**

This meta-major encompasses a wide range of majors spread across multiple fields and disciplines. In addition to Art, Studio Fine Art majors, this meta-major also includes majors from Performing Arts, such as Music, Theatre, and Dance; Visual Arts and Design, such as Graphic Design and Animation, and Communication and Media, such as Mass Media, Digital Media and Film, among others.



# Your Checklist

## 0-12 Credit Hour Checklist

- Check your [Student Portal](#) email daily. ∞
- Check if your meta-major matches your career of interest and change it if necessary.∞
- Learn about the resources available to you, such as the Learning Support Center, Tutoring, Counseling, Career Advising and your Student Portal. For more information and locations, go to the [Student Services](#) page on the Valencia College website.
- Explore and research your career interests by visiting the [Career Center website](#) or connecting with a career advisor.
- Research colleges and universities of interest and the admission requirements.
- Run your [degree audit](#) and use your [catalog](#) to help you choose the right classes each term. For assistance, connect with your [Student Success Coach](#). ∞
- Register for [SLS 1122 New Student Experience](#) course within your first two terms at Valencia College.
- Check Important Dates & Deadlines by visiting the [Academic Calendar](#) on the Valencia College website. ∞
- Apply for scholarships by visiting the [Financial Aid Services](#) website. ∞
- [Get Involved](#) on campus by joining student clubs and organizations, attending campus [events](#) and participating in health and wellness activities. ∞
- Visit the [Career Center website](#) to learn how to create your resume and connect with a career advisor for feedback.

∞ This symbol represents actions that you should take at every credit hour benchmark.



## 12-30 Credit Hour Checklist

- Check your [Student Portal](#) email daily. ∞
  
- Confirm that your meta-major matches your career of interest and change it if necessary. ∞
  
- Explore your major and career interests by considering volunteering, employment, [internships](#), job shadowing and service learning.
  
- Decide on a major and your transfer university of interest. If you are still undecided, meet with an [Student Success Coach](#).
  
- Run your [degree audit](#) and use your catalog to help you choose the right classes. For assistance, connect with your [Student Success Coach](#). ∞
  
- Check Important Dates & Deadlines by visiting the [Academic Calendar](#) on the Valencia College website. ∞
  
- Apply for scholarships by visiting the [Financial Aid Services](#) website. ∞
  
- [Get Involved](#) on campus by joining student clubs and organizations, attending campus [events](#) and participating in health and wellness activities. ∞
  
- Start to prepare your portfolio. ∞
  
- Keep your resume current by reviewing it every semester and consider scheduling a mock interview. For assistance, visit the [Career Center website](#) or connect with a career Student Success Coach.

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## 30-45 Credit Hour Checklist

- Check your [Student Portal](#) email daily. ∞
- Confirm that your meta-major matches your career of interest and change it if necessary. ∞
- Decide on your educational goals by the time you complete 45 credit hours.
- Research colleges and universities of interest, including the admission requirements, application deadlines, housing options, campus tours and connect with the academic departments.
- Begin to research college/university portfolio requirements and interview deadlines. Remember universities require an application a year in advance!
- Run your [degree audit](#) to confirm you are on track for graduation. For assistance, connect with your [Student Success Coach](#) ∞
- Check Important Dates & Deadlines by visiting the [Academic Calendar](#) on the Valencia College website. ∞
- Apply for scholarships by visiting the [Financial Aid Services](#) website. ∞
- [Get Involved](#) on campus by joining student clubs and organizations, attending campus [events](#) and participating in health and wellness activities. ∞
- Enhance your work experience and skills by volunteering, employment, [internships](#), service learning and job shadowing.
- Network with at least three people in your career of interest.
- Continue to work on your portfolio. ∞
- Keep your resume current by reviewing it every semester and consider scheduling a mock interview. For assistance, visit the [Career Center website](#) or connect with a career advisor.

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## 45-60 Credit Hour Checklist

- Check your [Student Portal](#) email daily. ∞
- Confirm that your meta-major matches your career of interest and change it if necessary. ∞
- Run your [degree audit](#) to confirm you are on track for graduation. For assistance, connect with your [Student Success Coach](#). ∞
- If you are ready, submit your [graduation application](#) by the deadline.
- Explore housing options, develop a financial plan, schedule campus tours and connect with the academic departments.
- Submit your admissions applications early to your colleges/universities of interest (and any other materials, such as transcripts and recommendation letters, if required).
- Check Important Dates & Deadlines by visiting the [Academic Calendar](#) on the Valencia College website. ∞
- Apply for scholarships by visiting the [Financial Aid Services](#) website. ∞
- [Get Involved](#) on campus by joining student clubs and organizations, attending campus [events](#) and participating in health and wellness activities. ∞
- Enhance your work experience and skills by volunteering, part-time employment, [internships](#), service learning and job shadowing.
- Continue to work and finalize your portfolio. ∞
- Keep your resume current by reviewing it every semester and consider scheduling a mock interview. For assistance, visit the [Career Center website](#) or connect with a career advisor.

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# Careers in Art, Studio Fine Art

## Museums and Galleries

Art Direction  
Administration  
Curator  
Collections Management

## Commercial Art

Illustration  
Fashion Design  
Character Design  
Environmental Artist  
Graphic Design  
Motion Design  
Web Design  
Animation

## Education

Formalized Instruction  
Recreational Instruction

## Photography

Commercial and Industrial  
Portrait  
Nature

Source: To learn more about what to do with your intended major please click on the following link: <https://whatcanidowiththismajor.com/major/majors/>

## Additional Resources

[Click here for the Occupational Outlook Handbook](#), which is the government's premier source of career guidance featuring hundreds of occupations. Here you can find national data about career salaries and growth.

[Click here for O\\*Net OnLine](#), which has detailed descriptions of the world of work for use by job seekers. Here you can find data about local salaries and growth.

[Click here for additional detailed salary and job market information for Orange, Seminole and Osceola counties in Florida.](#)

# What University Should I Attend?

If you decide that you want to stay in Florida, here is a list of some in-state institutions and the degree programs offered in the area of Art, Studio Fine Art.

## **UCF**

Art (BA) Studio  
Art (BFA) Studio Art  
Art (BA) Visual Art Management Track  
Art (BA) Visual Art and Emerging Media Management  
Art (BA) History  
Emerging Media, Graphic Design (BFA)  
Emerging Media, Character Animation (BFA)  
Emerging Media, Experimental Animation (BFA)

## **FIU**

Art (BFA)  
Art Digital Arts (BFA)  
Art History (BA)  
Art (BA)  
Art Education (BS)

## **UF**

Art History (BA)  
Studio Art (BA)  
Studio Art (BFA)  
Graphic Design/Design and Visual Communications (BFA)

## **USF**

Art History (BA)  
Art Studio (BA)  
Art Studio (BFA)  
Graphic Arts Graphic Design Concentration (BFA)  
Graphic Arts Illustration Concentration (BFA)

## **FAU**

Art History (BA)  
Graphic Design (BFA)  
Studio Art (BA)  
Studio Art (BFA)

## **ROLLINS COLLEGE**

Studio Art  
Art History

## **RINGLING COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN**

Business of Art and Design  
Fine Arts  
Game Art  
Computer Animation

## **SCAD** (*college outside of Florida*)

Animation (BFA)  
Art History (BFA)  
Graphic Design (BFA)  
Graphic Design (BA)  
Illustration (BFA)  
Illustration (BA)  
Painting (BFA)  
Sculpture (BFA)

# Valencia College Resources

Need more information? Check these out!

**VALENCIA COLLEGE**

**Internship and Workforce Services**

Find an internship and  
be ready for the job



Engage in about over  
150 clubs and organizations



Learn more about over 150 clubs  
and organizations

**VALENCIA COLLEGE**

**Learning Support**

Get help with your studies



Build academic and  
emotional fitness

**VALENCIA COLLEGE**

**Veterans Affairs**

Essential resources  
and support for veterans



Free fitness and  
recreational sports



Get help with behavioral health  
and more by calling **800-878-5470**  
**Student Support Resources**

**VALENCIA COLLEGE**

**Career Center**

Explore careers and prepare  
for what's next

# Questions to Ask Your Student Success Coach

- What's the difference between dropping a class and withdrawing from a class, and how does this impact me?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What are some things I should consider before withdrawing from a class?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What are some important academic policies that I should be aware of? (e.g., grade forgiveness, academic probation)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What are some resources that I should be using at Valencia College if I'm struggling in my classes?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- What are some resources that will help me explore different majors and careers?

- How can I raise my GPA?
- What are some things I should consider when creating my class schedule?
- What are the prerequisites for my major?
- What are the admission requirements for my program at my transfer college/university of interest?
- How do I choose my electives?



- Is my major limited or restricted access? If so, what does that mean?
- How do I know that I'm on track for graduation?
- How do I know that I've met all my graduation requirements for my major?
- How do I apply for graduation?
- How do I apply to my college/university of interest?
- How do I request/submit my college transcripts?



# How Do I Run My Degree Audit?

The degree audit is a great tool to help you plan out your courses. It is a summary or audit of your degree. It will show you the classes that you have completed and the ones you have yet to complete. Here are the steps on running a degree audit. We encourage you to consult with your **Student Success Coach**.

1. Log in to **Student Portal**.
2. Click on Students on the left hand side.
3. Look for the Path to Graduation box and click on My Academic Progress (Degree Audit).
4. Click on Generate New Degree Audit.
5. Select the term you are currently in, click submit.
6. Click on the button next to the name of your degree.
7. Click on Generate Request.



The path  
to promise  
takes you  
from  
“what is”  
to  
“what can be.”



# WHAT'S NEXT?

Valencia College is an equal opportunity institution. We provide equal opportunity for employment and educational services to all individuals as it relates to admission to the college or to programs, any aid, benefit, or service to students or wages and other terms, conditions or privileges of employment, without regard to race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, religion, disability, marital status, sex/gender sexual orientation, genetic information, gender identity, pregnancy, and any other factor prohibited under applicable federal, state, and local civil rights laws, rules and regulations.