

**McHenry County College**  
**Associate in Fine Arts – Art (AFA)**  
to  
**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
**Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA)**  
(2019-2020 Catalog)

**School of the Art Institute of Chicago**  
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McHenry County College (MCC) and School of the Art Institute of Chicago (SAIC) have entered into an Articulation Agreement, providing a pathway toward the BFA degree. The Agreement not only provides **articulated coursework**, but also the opportunity of **Guaranteed Admission to SAIC and a Transfer Partnership Award in the amount of \$2000**, renewable annually, along with a merit scholarship opportunity.

SAIC is a private, nonprofit college. It is a professional college of the visual and related arts, accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.

Please note that it is extremely important to work with the SAIC contact person, the MCC art department, and an MCC academic advisor for a smooth transition and to ensure you are taking appropriate coursework.

### **Application and Admission Information**

- **Application**
  - SAIC uses the Common Application: <http://www.saic.edu/admissions/ug/transferandprior-degreestudents/> Early action and priority merit scholarship deadline – Fall, November 15; Spring, N/A
  - Priority merit scholarship deadline – Fall, March 15; Spring, November 1
  - Final merit scholarship deadline – Fall, June 1; Spring, January 15
- **General Admission Requirements - <http://www.saic.edu/admissions/ug/transferandprior-degreestudents/>**
  - **Standardized Exams:** Students who successfully complete course recommendations on this transfer plan and MCC's AFA degree are exempt from the standardized test requirements (which includes minimum scores on ACT or SAT exam). All international students must submit a minimum TOEFEL score of 82 IBT or minimum IELTS score of 6.5, regardless.
  - **Artist's Statement:** Applicants are required to upload an artist's statement, which will be used to assess ability to compose an essay, as well as the manner in which text is used as a tool.
  - **Transcripts:** An official transcript from each college attended is required. Applicants with a college degree are exempt from submitting high school transcripts.
  - **Letter of Recommendation:** One letter of recommendation written by an instructor or other professional who can evaluate your motivation, commitment, maturity, and potential to succeed at SAIC is required.
  - **Portfolio:** All applicants are required to submit a portfolio - <http://www.saic.edu/admissions/ug/transferandprior-degreestudents/portfolio/>
- **Guaranteed Admission Requirements**
  - Associate of Fine Arts or Associate in Art degree from MCC
  - Be in good standing at MCC
  - Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA with a C or higher in all academic coursework and a minimum of 2 studio art courses with a minimum grade of C
  - Acceptable studio evaluation via portfolio; studio evaluation may be submitted as early as the first semester of enrollment at MCC
  - Additional requirements as needed for general admission



Five additional semester credits may be completed through MCC. Select from following. It is extremely important to select with guidance from the MCC art department and the SAIC contact person noted on the front page of this guide.

<b><u>Studio</u></b>	<b><u>Art History Electives</u></b>	<b><u>General Electives</u></b>	<b><u>Academic Electives</u></b>
Select from courses listed under Art Studio Electives in chart above and from following: ART166, 190, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 254, 255, 257, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 273, 274, 275, 290	AET142 History of Interiors ART155 Non-Western Art ART165 Ethnic Folk Art ART175 History of Photography GRA180 History of Graphic Design	Any course listed on this guide	(no more than 3 credits) Select from following courses or prefixes: CDM110; FRE; GER; SPA; SPE