College of Visual & Performing Arts
UMass Dartmouth

An accredited institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design and the Council for Interior Design Accreditation, the College of Visual and Performing Arts (CVPA) provides students a complete art school education within a university experience. CVPA provides arts majors the ability to earn a BFA, BA, or BS degree, minor in a variety of other disciplines, and take part in a diverse university community.

100% employment rate among Art Education, Interior Architecture & Design, and Photography majors - Class of 2022 NACE survey

#7 Best Animation & Game Arts Program in Massachusetts - Animation Career Review

#3 Best Graphic Design Program in Massachusetts - Animation Career Review

CVPA students link learning, experience, and activism by using their skills to MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Students present renovation designs for a nonprofit that serves intellectually and developmentally disabled adults.

EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES

91% of undergraduates and 100% of graduate students are employed or enrolled in further studies within six months of graduation

514 students (undergraduate and graduate)

28% first-generation students

1:16 Faculty to student ratio

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CAREERS

Our class of 2022 graduates are working as:
• Art and Music Teachers
• Graphic Designers
• Interior Architects/Designers
• Game Developers

Our class of 2022 graduates are employed at:
• Design Ergonomics
• Fairhaven Public Schools
• Hewlett-Packard (HP)

GRADUATE SCHOOL

Our class of 2022 alumni attended the following graduate schools:
• Academy of Art University
• Rhode Island School of Design
• Syracuse University
• University of Bergen (Norway)

STATE-OF-THE-ART
FACILITIES INCLUDE:
• 3D Printers
• Cintiq Lab
• Foundry
• Green Screens
• Innovation Lab
• Laser Cutters
• Lighting Design Studio
• Makerbots
• Photo Studio and Darkroom
• Vinyl Cutter
• Virtual and Augmented Reality

LEARNING SPACES & TECHNOLOGY

6 Instructional computing labs
2 Student Gallery Exhibition Spaces