

DEPARTMENT OF CRAFT AND MATERIAL STUDIES

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The Department of Craft and Material Studies explores the interdisciplinary language and study of ceramic, glass, wood, fiber and metals. The department offers both a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Craft and Material Studies and a Master of Fine Arts in Fine Arts degree with concentrations in five disciplines: ceramics, fiber, furniture design, glassworking and jewelry/metalworking.

Students are encouraged and empowered to engage with craft through historical and contemporary discourse. They explore materials rooted in craft while pursuing a deep investigation of their practice and contemporary critical issues through fearless innovation and transformative creativity.

The department and five master's concentration areas are housed in a state-of-the-art facility that provides both analog and digital equipment and resources. Students have access to well-equipped studios in which to cultivate their curiosity and stretch their practice within an immersive learning environment ranging from the traditional to the most experimental approaches in art-making. The department shares the facilities with the departments of Sculpture and Extended Media, Painting and Printmaking, and Kinetic Imaging.

Students who complete the requirements for any of these concentrations will receive a Master of Fine Arts in Fine Arts.

- Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) with a concentration in ceramics (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/graduate/school-arts/craft-material-studies/fine-arts-mfa-concentration-ceramics/>)
- Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) with a concentration in fibers (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/graduate/school-arts/craft-material-studies/fine-arts-mfa-concentration-fibers/>)
- Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) with a concentration in furniture design (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/graduate/school-arts/craft-material-studies/fine-arts-mfa-concentration-furniture-design/>)
- Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) with a concentration in glassworking (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/graduate/school-arts/craft-material-studies/fine-arts-mfa-concentration-glassworking/>)
- Fine Arts, Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) with a concentration in jewelry/metalworking (<http://bulletin.vcu.edu/graduate/school-arts/craft-material-studies/fine-arts-mfa-concentration-jewelrymetalworking/>)