

Especially different

Pennsylvania College
of Art & Design

At PCA&D, we are makers and dreamers, designers and entrepreneurs. Here you'll learn to make creativity your career.

LEARN FROM WORKING PROFESSIONALS

As a nimble micro-college, it's the personal attention and guidance from our faculty of working artists, coupled with internships and hands-on experiences, that set us apart. Earning a BFA means you expand your ability to innovate & inspire, develop flexible & professional skills, and learn to communicate & collaborate effectively.

A COMMUNITY WITH CHARACTER

Located in the heart of Lancaster's thriving arts community, inspiration can be found around every corner. Entrepreneurial spirit flows across its locally owned shops, globally inspired restaurants, and re-imagined maker spaces. Surrounding the campus, you'll find Gallery Row and neighborhoods filled with artist studios and creative professionals.

AN INVESTMENT OF VALUE

PCA&D is one of the most cost-effective private art colleges in the nation. As a student, you may be eligible for a full range of federal, state, and institutional assistance. Over 90% of our students receive some form of financial assistance, and PCA&D offers both need and merit-based scholarships.

Learn more about our academic programs and why you belong here.

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Animation & Game Art • Graphic Design
Fine Art • Illustration • Photography & Video
Live Experience Design*

*Coming Soon



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admissions checklist

PCAD.EDU/HOW-TO-APPLY

APPLY

1. Create a PCA&D applicant account at pcad.edu/apply, answer all our questions, and press submit.

Submitting an application isn't a commitment and it helps us get to know you better!

PRO TIP: Start by submitting your portfolio if you're not ready to apply!



SUBMIT

1. Submit an **artistic portfolio** online to help us assess your potential for artistic growth. Visit pcad.edu/how-to-apply for instructions.

2. Upload a **250-500 word personal statement** about why you love making art and what you hope to learn at PCA&D.



SEND

Request for official transcript(s) to be sent to PCA&D Admissions at admissions@pcad.edu by your school guidance or registrar's office.

PCA&D does not consider SAT / ACT scores during the application review process. Recommendation letters are optional.



APPLICATION DEADLINES

Our College operates on a rolling admission basis. Applications are reviewed throughout the calendar year on an individual basis. The priority application deadline is **March 1** for fall applicants and **December 1** for spring applicants.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer applicants may have additional requirements. Details about transferring to PCA&D can be found at pcad.edu/transfer.

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submitting your portfolio

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SELECT

Your portfolio should consist of **8-10 recent, original artworks** that demonstrate your abilities in a range of artistic media. Include at least **2 pieces from direct observation**. Select artwork that showcases your problem-solving and decision-making skills, and the originality of your ideas.

PREP

Develop an order for your artwork that makes sense and has a meaningful flow. Good lighting and clarity are very important when photographing your artwork. Keep time-based selections to 3 minutes or less.



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Go to pcad.edu/submit-portfolio to create your portfolio account and upload your portfolio pieces. Don't forget to press submit!

Email admissions@pcad.edu or call 800.689.0379, ext. 1001 if you have any questions.

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