

Applying to the Art Minor at Gordon College

Portfolio Guidelines & Requirements • Department of Art

Home Exam

All applicants must submit a home exam consisting of four original drawings. You should submit the home exam and include an SASE for the return of your drawings. Drawings should not be matted or mounted but neatly presented with a cover sheet (newsprint or tracing paper) on over each drawing. Drawings should be no smaller than 8" x 10" and no larger than 11" x 14". The criteria for the home exam are as follows:

- *A self-portrait in pencil (using a mirror). Colored pencil is also acceptable.*
- *A direct observational drawing of some technical object, such as a bicycle.*
- *A drawing or painting in color: either representational or non-representational.*
- *A drawing, painting, collage, photograph, or design of your own choosing. Any media.*

Essay

All applicants must submit an essay (2 pages minimum) stating why they would like to study art at a Christian liberal arts college such as Gordon. Please discuss, in your own words, the connections you make between art and Christian faith.

Interview (optional)

Applicants may request an interview with one of the members of the Art Faculty at Gordon College before or after the initial submission of materials (CD, home exam, and essay), but this is not a requirement.

If you do come for an interview, you are welcome to bring original examples of your work, but this does not exempt you from the portfolio requirements.

To schedule an interview, call the Gordon College Admissions Office (978) 927-2300. Please do not schedule appointments for interviews on Fridays.

Receipt of Materials: Deadlines

Receipt of all materials: portfolio, home exam, and essay must be submitted :

- **for early decision by December 1st**
- **for early action by December 1st**
- **for regular decision by March 1st**

Send all materials to:

Gordon College Department of Art

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