



2026-27

School of the Arts, Media, Performance & Design

York University



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performance & design





About AMPD

The York University School of the Arts, Media, Performance & Design (AMPD) is one of Canada's most comprehensive arts, culture, and design schools offering 30+ competitive degree programs, 300,000 square feet of premier facilities, a diverse community of 3,000 socially engaged students ranging in creative disciplines, and a network of more than 20,000 alumni leading in industries around the world. With 50 years of proven success and innovation, AMPD is a place for inclusive excellence, purposeful curiosity, and sustained career mobility.



Top 100 in the World
for Performing Arts

QS University World Rankings 2023



Top 5 comprehensive
university in Canada

Macleans' Education Rankings 2023



Top 5 in Ontario for Art,
Performing Arts & Design

Times Higher Education (THE) 2023

Programs

CINEMA & MEDIA ARTS (BA)

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Drive innovation in traditional and new media industries with in-depth knowledge of cinematic culture, technology, and aesthetics. Get career ready with placements at culture-defining companies like the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) and the National Film Board of Canada.

CINEMA & MEDIA ARTS – MEDIA ARTS (BFA)



Advance the evolution of new media art forms like social media, mobile experiences, and online streaming by combining digital creation, storytelling, and media culture studies. Create augmented realities, immersive environments, and motion simulation projects on-site in BetaSpace co-working lab.

CINEMA & MEDIA ARTS – PRODUCTION (BFA) ▶

Create through film and moving images with mentorship from award-winning professionals and access to top-notch facilities. Explore cinematography, editing, sound, directing, producing and more as you take part in year-round film competitions, showcases and exhibitions.

CREATIVE TECHNOLOGIES (BFA) [LEARN MORE ▶](#)

Combine critical making with technological expertise and experiential learning to address real-world challenges. You will develop digital and physical projects for creative industries while building critical entrepreneurship and professional skills and collaborating across the arts and culture sectors.

Note: This program is offered exclusively at York University's Markham Campus.

DANCE (BFA) [LEARN MORE ▶](#)

Jump into choreography and performance to become a community-minded dancer trained in modern, contemporary, and global forms. Access on-campus physiotherapy services, conditioning rooms and spacious sprung floor dance studios, while you prepare for yearly showcases and industry placements.

CINEMA & MEDIA ARTS – SCREENWRITING (BFA) ▶

Dive into screenwriting across film, television and digital media in Canada's only undergraduate screenwriting degree program. Learn to craft scripts, pitch your ideas, develop your voice and build a diverse portfolio through immersive workshops led by industry professionals.

DESIGN (BDES) [LEARN MORE ▶](#)

Define tomorrow's design strategies while training at the intersection of information design, user experience design, and branding. Learn and work in small class sizes, state-of-the-art facilities, and placements in industry-defining companies in Canada and beyond.

Pathways: Interaction Design (UX/UI), Information Design, Visual Communication Design, Design Studies (History, Theory, and Criticism).

DIGITAL MEDIA (BA) [LEARN MORE ▶](#)

Explore creative expression and technology, think video games, sound, virtual reality, data visualization and interactive installations. With access to specialized labs, expert faculty, co-op and public showings across Toronto, you'll develop career-ready skills and have fun along the way.

Program offered jointly with the Lassonde School of Engineering.



INTEGRATIVE ARTS (BFA)

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Foster self-discovery and critical thinking through interdisciplinary studies in the arts. Begin with foundation courses that build essential skills, then supplement your studies with hands-on courses and experiential learning opportunities across AMPD, tailored to your unique interests and career goals.

THEATRE (BFA | BA)

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Step into a hands-on journey through acting, performance creation, production and design. Start with a common first-year foundation, then dive deeper into your chosen degree path. You'll gain experience working on full productions and collaborating with peers, faculty and industry professionals in state-of-the-art facilities.

Degree options: Acting & Performance* (BFA), Performance Creation (BFA), Production & Design* (BFA), Theatre (BA).

**New direct-entry options for 26–27*

VISUAL ARTS – ART HISTORY (BA)



Dive into art, curation and visual culture from around the globe, gaining insights into how art shapes, and is shaped by, society. Through immersive experiences like gallery visits, curatorial projects and placements at renowned institutions, you'll connect theory with practice.

MUSIC (BFA | BA)

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Explore, improvise and create new sounds with flexible course options and first-class facilities. You'll build the skills to thrive as a musician, composer, teacher, sound designer and more with mentorship from acclaimed performers and through showcases like the Jazz Festival.

Streams: Jazz & Gospel, Western Classical Performance, World Music & Ethnomusicology, Contemporary, Improvisation, Composition, Digital & Electronic Music, Black Music Studies, Music Education & Community Music.



VISUAL ARTS – STUDIO (BFA)

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Engage with diverse artistic mediums, from painting and sculpture to photography and print, while developing your unique style. You'll work closely with renowned artists, exhibit your work in Toronto galleries and gain hands-on experience in Canada's top arts creation facilities.



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first-year Design student

Admissions

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PROGRAM	OUAC CODE	ADMISSION AVERAGE	PRE-REQUISITES	SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION
Cinema & Media Arts (BA)	YEB	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Cinema & Media Arts – Media Arts (BFA)	YJD	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Cinema & Media Arts – Production (BFA)	YEA	Mid-80s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Cinema & Media Arts – Screenwriting (BFA)	YEF	Mid-80s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Creative Technologies (BFA)	YME	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Dance (BFA)	YB	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Design (BDes)	YD	Mid-80s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Digital Media (BA)	YFA	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 4U Math + 4 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Integrative Arts (BFA)	YJE	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Music (BFA BA*)	YH	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Theatre (BA)	YJ	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Theatre – Acting & Performance (BFA)	YWB	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Theatre – Performance Creation (BFA)	YAB	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Theatre – Production & Design (BFA)	YWA	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes
Visual Arts – Art History (BA)	YN	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	No
Visual Arts – Studio (BFA)	YM	Mid-70s	ENG 4U + 5 additional 4U/M level courses	Yes

*Degree option is available upon successful completion of first year.



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Application Deadlines for
Guaranteed Consideration

APPLICANT

Ontario High School Students
International Students
University & College Transfer Students

APPLICATION DEADLINE

January 15, 2026
February 2, 2026
February 2, 2026

SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION DEADLINE

February 3, 2026 | 11:59 EST
February 3, 2026 | 11:59 EST
February 3, 2026 | 11:59 EST

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