

Black Hawk College's Art Achievement Award

A.A. Art Transfer, Art Technology Certificate, A.F.A. Associate of Fine Arts, or
A.A.S. Visual Communication Students

Application Guidelines:

Art Achievement Awards are awarded based on the student's academic success, a portfolio review, and an essay of intent. High school and transfer applicants will also need to provide a letter of recommendation from an instructor. To qualify, the recipient must be pursuing the A.A. Art Transfer, Art Technology Certificate, A.F.A. Associate of Fine Arts, or A.A.S. Visual Communication degree at Black Hawk College. Art Achievement Awards may be awarded to qualifying art students either upon entering Black Hawk College or as a continuing student.

The award consists of a waiver for in-district tuition for up to 12 credit hours per fall/spring semester. Fees and expenses are not covered by this award. The Achievement Award is granted for one academic year and is renewable up to a maximum of four semesters (summers are not included). Students must reapply each academic year.

To qualify for this award, the recipient must remain eligible according to the stipulations listed below. If a student does not remain eligible, the award may be withdrawn for the following semester.

As a recipient of the Art Achievement Award, the student agrees to follow these stipulations:

1. The recipient must be pursuing the A.A. Art Transfer, Art Technology Certificate, A.F.A. Associate of Fine Arts, or A.A.S. Visual Communication degree at Black Hawk College.
2. The recipient must be enrolled in a minimum of one art class per semester.
3. The recipient must be enrolled in at least 6 credit hours per semester.
4. The recipient must maintain a minimum overall grade point average of 2.5, and a 3.3 grade point average in art courses.
5. Continuous enrollment is required for renewal eligibility.
6. Achievement Award recipients must apply for financial aid (FAFSA) or submit a verification of no need.
7. Illinois State Scholarship and Illinois Monetary Awards will be applied to tuition and fee charges before monetary value of the achievement award is determined.
8. The recipient is required to assist with departmental projects such as facilities maintenance, gallery hanging, managing social media, or other reasonable tasks requested by full-time faculty.
9. The recipient is required to attend departmental events, such as gallery exhibition receptions.
10. The recipient must remain in contact with his or her supervisor throughout the semester.

To apply for this award, please fill out the form on the following page, follow all submission guidelines listed, and provide all supporting materials by **May 10, 2024, at 1:00pm.**

Black Hawk College's Art Achievement Award Application

Applicant's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Rank (HS) or GPA: _____ BHC ID Number: _____

Check One: ☐ Entering from High School ☐ Current BHC Student ☐ Transferring to BHC

List recent art-related activities:

List exhibitions/competitions/awards:

Submit this form along with the following for consideration of an Art Achievement Award:

1. A digital portfolio of no more than 10 samples of your art or design work. This must include at least 1 observational drawing from life (still life, life drawing, etc.) not drawn from a photograph. Additional work may include paintings, photographs, ceramics, 3D works, digital work, time-based work, mixed media works, and other drawings. Please make sure images of physical works are in focus, properly lit, and cropped appropriately.
2. Essay of intent – write 1-2 paragraphs about your future goals in art/design and why you deserve an Art Achievement Award.
3. **High school and transfer applicants only:** include a letter of recommendation from an instructor who is familiar with your artistic and academic achievements.

Please combine all application materials into a single compressed file for submission. All portfolio images, including digital works, should be save as a .jpg, .svg, or .png. Please save any animations or time-based works as .gif, .mp4, or .avi. If you are sharing a OneDrive or Google Drive file, please make sure you change your sharing permissions so that faculty may download the files.

Submissions should be emailed to **artdesign@bhc.edu** by **May 10, 2024, at 1:00pm**. Submissions after this time will not be eligible for award. If you have any questions, email **artdesign@bhc.edu** or call **309-796-5000**. We look forward to seeing your work!

