



# SMACT Program Curriculum Worksheet

MIT program  
in art, culture and  
technology

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The MIT graduate graduation requirement checklist, which includes links to important deadlines, is available at:  
<http://web.mit.edu/registrar/graduation/checklist.html>

### How to use this chart

The number of courses you take a semester is up to you; the average is four. Set courses are given at left. List additional courses in relevant category at right. Calculate total units in the labeled column.

	Set course(s)	Set course units	ACT Subjects	Electives	Art History course	Other courses	Units	Units recommended
<i>Term 1</i>	ACT Studio	12						45
<i>Term 2</i>	ACT Studio	12						45
	Preparation for ACT Thesis	9						
<i>Term 3</i>	ACT Studio	12						45
<i>Term 4</i>	ACT Studio	12						21
	Thesis	24						not
	Thesis Tutorial	9						including
			At least 4 required	At least 3 required	At least 1 required			thesis

- Subjects which cannot be used for degree credit
- Undergraduate courses
  - English proficiency requirement courses
  - Courses graded pass/fail or taken as a listener

Unit total of 156 required \_\_\_\_\_

## Preparing for your Thesis

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Start looking for a thesis supervisor and readers early; this may even help you develop your topic.

- Familiarize yourself with active work of ACT tenured faculty—  
a place to start is <http://act.mit.edu/people/faculty/>
- Investigate researchers around MIT—  
two places to start: <http://architecture.mit.edu/program/research>, [media.mit.edu/research/](http://media.mit.edu/research/)

### groups-projects

- If you are not sure which departments would be the best fit, see this list:  
[web.mit.edu/education](http://web.mit.edu/education)
- Have a backup plan; your first choice supervisor or readers may not be available

### Thesis supervisor

- Must be a tenured or tenure track ACT faculty member  
Azra Akšamija, Renée Green, or Gediminas Urbonas
- You can only have one

### Readers

- Tenured or non-tenured
- You should have two
- At least one should be a faculty member at MIT

Once you have confirmed your topic, you may wish to schedule a meeting with Patsy Baudoin, ACT's library liaison, in order to discuss research resources which may be particularly useful.

A checklist of the library specifications for your thesis is available on the ACT website.

### Graduation requirements

- Your thesis committee form is due at the end of the fall semester before you graduate.
- Thesis titles must be submitted by the deadline, or the Registrar's Office will charge you \$85.
- You need to apply for your degree by the designated day (see the MIT academic calendar) at the beginning of February the spring semester you will graduate, or the Registrar's Office will charge you \$50.
- You must have paid all fees owed to the bursar's office to graduate.
- Your cap and gown must be ordered from the COOP by the designated April deadline.