

## **Core Competencies for the Foundation Program**

**It is the goal of the Foundation Program that by the end of the first year students demonstrate the following:**

### **1. Knowledge of Materials and Processes**

Students are able to develop a high level of proficiency with the skills, concepts, tools and approaches under examination.

### **2. Communications Proficiency**

Students are able to demonstrate their personal aesthetic and an expressive intention as they respond visually to the skills and concepts under consideration.

### **3. Historical and Contemporary Awareness of the Medium**

Students have progressed appropriately in their ability to analyze the form and content of a work of art; to critique their own work, the work of others and to reference art history and contemporary art.

### **4. Contextual Awareness, Analytical Proficiency**

Students have developed a range of experiences, in a wide range of media, disciplines and approaches (some familiar and others new or unexpected) that position each student to engage with and direct their education effectively as they proceed through the upper levels.