



Art Education

About this Composite Major

The Art Education major prepares students to teach various studio art topics in elementary and secondary classrooms.

A survey of coursework in art history, ceramics, digital photography, digital design, drawing, painting, printmaking, and sculpture provides students with a broad range of skills to develop their creative voices while preparing for their future classrooms. Coursework culminates in the Visual Art Capstone project.

Students further prepare for future careers in education by completing the Professional Education Sequence through the School of Education, including the Student Teaching Field Experience and the Teaching for Learning Capstone. Professional development opportunities include internships, community teaching opportunities, and involvement with the VCSU Art Alliance. Alumni go on to rewarding careers in K-12 education, higher education, and community art centers and studios.

Meet A Student

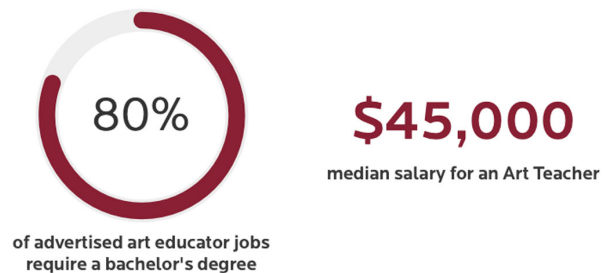


For me, art has always been a way for me to share my own thoughts and feelings. I always want to make sure that when I portray my thoughts and feelings through my pieces that I also allow others the space to be able to interpret their own thoughts and interpretations as well. I believe each artist should know exactly what they are trying to portray and be able to reach his or her audience in a meaningful way." -Hannah Aberle, '22, Valley City, ND.

Accreditations

- Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)

Career Educators



A degree in art education will propel you into your future as an art educator and can equip you with the skills to succeed. There are multiple career fields available to graduates in art education including:

- Teaching art in any school setting, including K-12
- Art education program director
- Careers and other paths in art therapy
- Private art lesson instructor



Get Involved in your Major

Join university organizations such as VCSU Art Alliance at VCSU and take part in Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) and Student North Dakota United (SNDU).



Students are also encouraged to join professional organizations in their field such as:

- National Art Education Association
- Arts Education Partnership
- International Art Education Association.
- National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts (<https://nceca.net/>)
- American Association of College for Teacher Education (<https://aacte.org/>)

Teacher Education Requirements

Students are typically admitted into Teacher Education during their sophomore year or at the beginning of their junior year of college. This program requires a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher and successful completion of the Praxis I test. Additional criteria for Admission to Teacher Education can be found on the Education and Graduate Studies website (<https://www.vcsu.edu/departments/education-and-graduate-studies/>).

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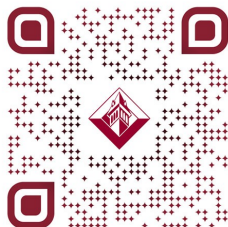
Department Location

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Art Education
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State University**

Plan of Study

First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ART 122	3	ART 130	3
ART 150 or 180	3	Communication (Gen Ed)	3
ENGL 110 (Gen Ed)	3	ENGL 120 (Gen Ed)	3
Social Science (Gen Ed)	3	Lab Science (Gen Ed)	4
Computer Science and Literacy (Gen Ed)	3	MATH 104 (Gen Ed)	3
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Second Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ART 180 or 150	3	ART 120 or 170	3
Art and Music (Gen Ed)	3	Art History Selection	3
Art History Section	3	EDUC 240	3
EDUC 250	3	Lab Science (Gen Ed)	4
HPER 100 or 212 (Gen Ed)	2	PSYC 250	3
Social Science (Gen Ed)	3		
	17		16

Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
ART 230	3	ART 120 or 170	3
ART 390	4	ART 265	3
Art Elective	3	ART 491	2
Art History Selection	3	EDUC 352	1
EDUC 283	3	EDUC 375	2
EDUC 300	2	Literacies (Gen Ed)	3
	18		14

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
Additional Electives	6	ART 492	2
Additional Humanities or Social Science (Gen Ed)	2	EDUC 480	10
Art Elective	2		
EDUC 351	1		
EDUC 352 or 464	1		
EDUC 400	2		
EDUC 450	2		
	16		12

Total Credits 125

Please note: This plan is intended for general information only. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their academic advisor each semester before registration.