

ART EDUCATION (MAT)

Program Overview

MAT programs are designed for individuals holding a bachelor's degree in a closely related field who wish to obtain a teaching certificate and master's degree in education. Programs provide professional and pedagogical studies that develop proficiency in the knowledge, skills, and dispositions of beginning teachers.

Art Education prepares highly qualified teachers of art for instruction in elementary and secondary schools by providing challenging course work in pedagogy, curriculum content, and assessment consistent with the national, state, and local standards and goals. The graduate program in art education provides students with an opportunity to further their knowledge through investigation and research of current issues and curriculum in art education and to pursue their creative work in the studios.

All educator preparation programs are approved by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission. The CSU Department of Art is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD). In addition to the degree requirements, there are further requirements for teaching certification. Visit the Certification page (<https://cctl.columbusstate.edu/certification.php>) on the CSU Center for Quality Teaching and Learning (CQTL) website for detailed information about certification requirements and the certification process.

Career Opportunities

Successful completion of the M.A.T. program and passing scores on the appropriate Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators (GACE) basic skills and content tests allow the candidate to be recommended to the Georgia Professional Standards Commission for teacher certification at the T-5 level (i.e., *the letter "T" indicates that the certificate is in a teaching field and the number "5" indicates that the candidate's highest degree is a master's degree recognized by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission*).

Program of Study

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Area 1 Foundations		
EDCI 6225	Foundations of Education - American Education	2
EDCI 6226	Foundations of Education - Instructional Applications	2
EDCI 6227	Foundations of Education - Human Development, Motivation, and Learning	2
EDCI 6228	Foundations of Education - Special Education (Students must earn a grade of B or better in order to be certified to teach in the state of Georgia.)	3
Area 1 Total		9
Area 2 Professional Core		
ARTE 3215	Foundations in Art Education	3
ARTE 4210	Art Education: Curriculum and Classroom Strategies	3
ARTE 4698	Service Learning Internship	1
Area 2 Total		7
Area 3 Professional Practice		

EDUF 6125	Classroom Management	2
EDUT 6105	Technology Infusion	3

Choose one of the following field experience options in consultation with the program coordinator:

EDCI 6698	Teaching Internship (6 hours)	
EDCI 6485	Student Teaching (10 hours)	

Area 3 Total 11-15

Area 4 Advanced Studies

ARTE 6185	Concepts in Art Education	3
ARTE 6187	Curriculum in Art Education	3
ARTE 6999	Thesis/Exhibit Research	2
ARTH 5125G	Research and Seminar in Art History	3
EDUF 6116	Educational Research Methods	3
Select four electives (see below) ²		12
Area 4 Total		26

Exit Requirements

ARTE 7000	Graduate Exhibition	0
Exit total		0

Total Credit Hours 53-57

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ARTE 6186	Graduate Problem: Art Education	3
ARTH 6185	Graduate Problem: Art History	3
ARTS 5256G	Painting: Advanced Methods	3
ARTS 5236G	Drawing: Advanced Methods	3
ARTS 5248G	Ceramics: Advanced Methods	3
ARTS 5288G	Sculpture: Advanced Methods	3
ARTS 6236	Drawing	3
ARTS 6256	Painting	3
ARTS 6265	Photography	3
ARTS 6277	Printmaking	3
ARTS 6285	Ceramics	3
ARTS 6286	Graduate Problem: Studio (May be repeated for credit, 6 hours maximum)	3
ARTS 6288	Sculptural Explorations	3
ARTS 6698	Internship	3-15

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Admission Requirements

- Degree in related field or a minimum of 25 semester hours of approved coursework
- Transcript evaluation to determine content courses needed for certification.
- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 (regular admission) or 2.50 (provisional admission) on all undergraduate work at an accredited United States institution in fulfillment of the requirements for a baccalaureate degree
- Satisfactory scores on the general portion (quantitative and verbal) of the Revised Graduate Record Exam (GRE) with "writing assessment" component; **or** passing scores on the GACE content examinations required in the intended teacher certification field
- Passing score on the GACE Basic Skills Tests [Reading (200), Mathematics (201), Writing (202)] or exemption through satisfactory scores on the SAT, ACT, GRE, or having a masters degree or above from a PSC-accepted accredited institution.
 - GACE Basic Skills Exemption Scores:
 - SAT – 1000 (combination of Verbal and Math scores)
 - ACT – 43 (combination of English and Math scores)

- GRE – Combined score of 1030 (Verbal and Quantitative) on tests taken before August 1, 2011 or combined score of 297 (Verbal and Quantitative) on tests taken after August 1, 2011

- The successful applicant must not have a criminal record or discharge from the armed services that would prevent recommendation for related teacher certifications
- Completion of a satisfactory FBI background check with fingerprints to ensure no criminal record and no discharge from the armed services that would prevent recommendation for teacher certification. Instructions and applications for the FBI background check can be found at safe.columbusstate.edu (<http://safe.columbusstate.edu>) or can be picked up in Jordan Hall, Room 107. Provisionally certified teachers may submit a letter from their school on official school letterhead stating that they have undergone a background check as a condition of employment.

Additional Program Requirements

This Degree is subjected to the following requirements

- Students must earn a 3.0 GPA calculated on all graduate work attempted. "Academic Forgiveness" policy does not apply to graduate studies.
- Students cannot graduate with a grade of "C" or below in more than two (2) graduate courses (may be appealed to the College of Education Graduate Council).
- A minimum of 27 hours of the hours required for the degree must be earned in residence. Asynchronous (online) and distance learning courses administered through Columbus State University constitute courses taken in residence.
- A maximum of nine (9) semester hours of transfer credit or courses taken at CSU prior to full admission to a masters degree program may be applied toward the degree. Courses with earned grades of "C" or below cannot be transferred. The student's advisor and the coordinator of the program in which the student is enrolled must approve any courses transferred.
- All degree requirements must be completed within seven (7) years of first enrollment