

# BFA Art Education

8/26/22

– earn your artistic teaching license!

First year (Fall)		First year (Spring)	
C1 ENGL 101 Composition	(3)	C1 ENGL 102 Composition II	(3)
C2 MATH 101 Math Concepts	(3)	C3 CMHC 201 Communication	(3)
C4 HEAL/HSCC 123/101 Health-Wellness	(3)	P1 Social Science	(3)
ART 131 Intro to Drawing	(3)	ART 132 2D Design	(3)
ART 136 Art History I	(3)	ART 137 Art History II	(3)
190 Series First Year Seminar (unless trnsfr)	(3)	P 5 Fine & Performing Arts	(3)

Second Year (Fall)		Second Year (Spring) *	
C5 Physical and Biological Sciences	(3)	C5 Physical or Biological Science	(3)
ART 142 3D Design	(3)	ART 241 Introduction to Sculpture	(3)
ART 234 Introduction to Printmaking	(3)	ART 233 Introduction to Painting	(3)
ART 372 Photography	(3)	ART 251 Introduction to Ceramics	(3)
P1- Social Science	(3)	*EDCI 201 Intro to Education	(3)

Third Year (Fall)		Third Year (Spring)	
ART231 Life Drawing	(3)	ART 463 Art Methods Middle/High School X	(3)
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P4- Humanities	(3)	Any Elective Course	1-3
ART-300/400. Upper level Art History Elective	(3)	P3 History	(3)

\* remember to apply for Intern 1, the third week of your Spring semester –Junior Year!

Fourth Year (Fall)		Fourth Year (Spring)	
EDSE 483 Internship 1	(2/3)	ART491- Internship 2 or Student Teaching	(3)
ART Advanced Studio Course	(3)	EDSE485- Internship 2 Seminar	(3)
SPED 240 The Exceptional Child	(3)	EDSE 490 -Supervised Student Teaching	(6)
P1-6 World Culture (any from LS offerings)	(3)	Apply for Teacher Certification last 3 weeks of semester!	
EDCI 430 Culturally Relevant Classroom Mgmt	(3)	Must take/pass Praxis 2 Art Content Test	

TOTAL 120 credits

## Notes:

\* X Denotes courses only offered in Spring/Fall Semesters

\* Perspective Courses (P1, P3 etc.) may be taken in any order, but note that one of these courses should be at the 300+ level.

\* EDCI 201 is the gateway course to being admitted to teacher ed. It must be passed (grade of C or higher) and an application to teacher education processed before taking ART 463, EDCI 430 and EDSE483. For both semesters of your senior year, you will have to have a car to get to your school placements.

\* Courses in 200+ level Studio Art generally have pre-requisites. Art Ed students must maintain a C or better in any art course or they must retake it. A grade of "B" is required for all 100 level studio courses. Art Education majors must also maintain a 2.5 GPA prior to student teaching in the last semester.

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# WCU School of Art and Design

FAQs per:

## BFA with an Emphasis in Art Education

**1. Are there jobs out there for Art Ed graduates?**

*Primarily a degree in education leads to K-12 teaching. Our graduates enjoy a 90% job placement rate with 6 months of graduating. About 15% of our graduates work outside the state of NC. Some graduates pursue education in art museum settings or even graduate degrees in art therapy.*

**2. What is the starting salary?** *In NC the starting salary for teachers is \$37,000. In Connecticut it is \$52,000. Most states have licensure reciprocity with NC.*

**3. How does student teaching work?** *In your senior year (first semester) you will take Intern 1- which involves about 6 hrs per week assisting at a local school where you will teach at least 3 art lessons under the guidance of a licensed art teacher. In your final semester at WCU you will student teach (called Intern 2) full time in a public elementary, middle or high school with a licensed art teacher. Students must have transportation to their site for Intern 1 and 2.*

**4. Is this degree an ed degree or an art degree?** *The BFA with an emphasis Art Education is predominately an art degree that includes licensure and certification upon successful completion of student teaching and the Praxis 2 exam.*

**5. Are there tests or portfolios to get into program?** *BFA Art Education students submit a portfolio to the School of Art and Design on or before the 75 credit hour mark. BFA students must also take and pass the state-required Praxis 1 exam (reading/writing/math) while taking EDCI201 Intro to Education. Prior to visiting schools students must clear background checks and be certifiably healthy. While completing Intern 2 students must submit/pass the state-required EdTPA (Educational Teaching Performance Assessment) and Praxis 2 Art Content Exam.*

**6. Examples of successful alumni:**

*Kristen Harrison Moore BSED 2008, UGA MAEd 2013 Marietta Center for Advanced Academics. Arts Integration National Award Winner!*

*\*Megan Brockington BSEd 2008 Archer HS, Loganville GA 2018 Teacher of the Year*

*\*William Love-MAT2011 Director of Education, Bascom Art Center, NC*

*\*Laura Mitchell-MAEd 2002 NBC/ Digital Educator & Arts Coordinator Buncombe County*

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