

BFA in Art, Art Education Guidelines

The first step to become an art teacher in the State of Georgia is to complete the **BFA in Art, Art Education concentration** at Kennesaw State University (KSU) which is a 120-hour program. This degree is a shared program between the School of Art and Design, and the Bagwell College of Education (BCOE), and is approved by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC). See the BFA in Art, Art Education Program Map for a complete list of required courses.

How do I get started?

First, get admitted to KSU and the School of Art and Design which requires submission of your portfolio. On the School of Art and Design, homepage (<https://arts.kennesaw.edu/visual-arts/>) click on Apply and Submit Portfolio for complete instructions: https://arts.kennesaw.edu/visual-arts/admissions_portfolio.php

How do I become an art education major?

In the fall of your second year, you apply for admission to Teacher Education in the Bagwell College of Education which serves as admission to the art education concentration. Complete instructions can be found in the KSU 2021-2022 Undergraduate Catalog at <https://catalog.kennesaw.edu/content.php?catoid=60&navoid=4673> or you can contact COTA Advisors or the Art Education Program Coordinator for complete information.

What's required for admission to BCOE Teacher Education during Phase I?

- Complete 32-36 hours of course work including ENGL 1101 and ENGL 1102 and EDUC 2110 with a "C" or higher. Overall, you need a minimum, adjusted GPA of 2.5 to stay in the program.
- Register with the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) to obtain a MyPSC account and PSC identification number.
- Pass the Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment (test code 360).

What happens after I am admitted to Teacher Education?

Once admitted to Teacher Education you have a GaPSC Pre-Service Certificate and can complete the studio courses, upper division art education courses, field placements, and Yearlong Clinical Education I & II (YCE I & II). Your final project is your Senior Seminar and Portfolio. When you graduate with the **BFA in Art, Art Education concentration**, you can apply for teaching positions in the state of Georgia. See the Georgia Professional Standards Commission website for complete information:

<https://www.gapsc.com/Certification/TieredCertification/tieredCertification.aspx>

What Distribution and Art History courses do I take?

- **ART 3160: Painting I: Distribution 1**
- **ART 3300: Sculpture I: Distribution 2**
- **ART 3500: Printmaking I: Distribution 3**
- **ART 3120: Ceramics I: Distribution 4**
- **ARH 3850: Art Since 1900: Art History Elective 1**
- **ARED 3304: Teaching Art History, Criticism, & Aesthetics: Art history Elective 2**

What is required for student teaching?

In order to register for ARED 4650 (YCE I) you apply for placement through the BCOE Office of Clinical Experiences, Placements, and Partnership (CEPP - see <https://bagwell.kennesaw.edu/units/cepp/index.php>) the

semester **before** you enroll in ARED 4650. See the CEPP website for application dates. As part of the application process, your Advisor/Program Coordinator form must be signed and approved by the Art Education program coordinator, Dr. Diana Gregory, dgregory@kennesaw.edu

What is required for completion of the program?

The final step in the program is the GACE Art Education Content exams (# 109 & 110) which you take in your final semester of student teaching. Information about the CACE Content tests is available at:

<https://www.gace.ets.org/about/assessments> General information: <https://www.gace.ets.org/about/>

If I have a question, or need help, where do I go?

The COTA advisors can help you (see <https://arts.kennesaw.edu/student-resources.php>) or make an appointment with the Art Education Program Coordinator, Dr. Diana Gregory at dgregory@kennesaw.edu