

MEMORANDUM

TO: College of Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee
FROM: Gene Harrison and Patricia Belleville
DATE: Wednesday, September 10, 2003
RE: Art education option for MA degree

The Art Education Area requests the addition of an art education option as part of the MA degree in Art.

Art Education Option

Option Mission:

The offering of a Master of Arts Degree in art with the Art Education Option will provide opportunities for art teachers to strengthen their professional development by enrolling in graduate level course work leading toward a master's degree.

Admission Requirements:

To be eligible for degree candidacy, applicants must meet all of the requirements for admission to the Graduate School (see "Requirements for Degree-Seeking Students"). In addition, applicants must submit three letters of recommendation from principals, supervisors, or others who can attest to the applicant's performance as a certified art teacher, and documentation of at least two years of teaching experience in art education.

Study Plan Approval:

The Study Plan shall be approved by the Department and filed with the Coordinator of Graduate Studies within the first semester of graduate study or prior to the completion of 12 semester hours of graduate credit which count toward the graduate degree.

Degree Requirements:

Degree requirements include those outlined for the Master's Degree by the Graduate School (See "Requirements for the Master's Degree").

The requirements for the Master of Arts Degree in Art with the Art Education Option are:

- The degree requires a minimum of 32 semester hours.
- 9-15 semester hours are in graduate level art education courses including ART 5500, Current Trends in Art Education, ART 5800, Research Methods in Art Education, and ART 5970, Independent Study: Art Education.
- 8-18 semester hours are in graduate level art studio and art history courses.
- 5-9 semester hours are in Professional Graduate Level Courses in Education (such as curriculum development, social foundations of education, philosophy of education, history of educational thought, comparative and international education).
- The student will complete a master's research project. After a thorough preparation by completing ART 5500, Current Trends in Art Education and ART 5800, Research Methods in Art Education, students will complete an independent research project that documents a substantial application of art education theory and practice. The Research Project may involve historical, philosophical, empirical or curricular topics.

Art Education Option-- MA Degree Planning Guide

Name _____ Student # _____ Date Started _____

Advisor _____

Art Education Courses (9-15 hours.) Credit Term Grade

Graduate-level numbered 4750 and above

ART 5500, Current Trends in Art Education (required) 3 hrs.

ART 5800, Research Methods in Art Education (required) 3 hrs.

ART 5970, Independent Study: Art Education variable
(1-2 hrs. required and to be taken with Art Education
faculty for capstone independent research project)

ART 5505, Assessment in Art Education (elective) 3 hrs.

ART 5510, Curriculum Design in Art Education (elective) 3 hrs.

Art Studio and Art History Courses (8-18 hours.) Credit Term Grade

Graduate-level numbered 4750 and above

Art 4765, Twentieth-Century American Painting and 3 hrs
Sculpture OR Art 4775, Seminar in Twentieth-Century
Art History and Criticism (3 hrs. required)

Professional Education Courses (5-9 hours.) Credit Term Grade

Graduate- level numbered 4750 and above

Research Project Title: _____

Formal proposal approved by _____ Date _____

Research Project Completed

Approved by _____ Date _____

Art Education Option Areas of Concentration:

Depending on their interests, graduate art education students may elect an area of concentration that includes differing proportions of graduate art education, studio and art history, and professional education courses.

	Art Education/Professional Education Concentration	Art Education/Studio Art Concentration
Art Education Courses 9-15 hrs.	15 hrs.	9 hrs.
Studio and Art History Courses 8-18 hrs.	8-11 hrs. (3 hrs. from Art History required: Art 4765 or Art 4775)	18 hrs. (15 hrs from Studio Art courses required) (3 hrs. from Art History required: Art 4765 or Art 4775)
Professional Education Courses 5-9 hrs.	6-9 hrs.	5 hrs.
Total Hours	32 hrs.	32 hrs.
