

# Art Education

## teaching licensure requirements checklist

For a complete description of admission and retention policies and procedures for teacher education, refer to the College of Education. This document is provided as an advising resource only. Official curriculum requirements are listed in the JMU Undergraduate Catalog. In the case of discrepancies, the University Catalog is the official curriculum students must follow. This document was reviewed by **Dr. Karin Tollefson, August 2025**

### Course Requirements

The following is a list of the required courses leading to PreK-12 art licensure and a suggested sequence of when each may be taken.

#### art education requirements

##### 18 credits

- ☐ ART 304. Methods of Art Criticism (spring, second year)
- ☐ ARED 300. Elementary Art Education Methods (fall, third year)
- ☐ ARED 302. Secondary Art Education Methods (spring, third year)
- ☐ ARED 400. Visual Arts Across the Curriculum (fourth year)
- ☐ ARED 490. Field Experiences in Art Education (6 credits total)  
(taken concurrently with ARED 300, ARED 302 and ARED 400)

**semester taken** **grade**

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#### education and psychology requirements

##### 8 credits

- ☐ PSYC 160. Life Span Human Development  
(may double-count toward General Education Cluster Five)
- ☐ EDUC 200. Foundations of American Education
- ☐ LED 420. Content Area Literacy (or equivalent)

**semester taken** **grade**

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#### student teaching

##### 16 credits

- ☐ ARED 480. Student Teaching (after all coursework is completed)

**semester taken** **grade**

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#### specific art education requirements for Virginia licensure

These courses satisfy partial requirements for the B.A., B.S., and B.F.A. degrees in art.

##### Nine credits must be earned in art history and art appreciation

- ☐ ARTH 205/289. Survey of World Art I: Prehistoric to Renaissance
- ☐ ARTH 206. Survey of World Art II: Renaissance to Modern
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

##### Six credits must be earned in ceramics and crafts, with a minimum of one course in ceramics

- ☐ ART 220. Introductory Ceramics: Potter's Wheel or ART 222. Introductory Ceramics: Handbuilding
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

##### Six credits must be earned in three-dimensional media

- ☐ FDS 106. Form and Space
- ☐ ART 280. Sculpture

##### Twelve credits must be earned in four different two-dimensional media

- ☐ FDS 102. Color and Composition
- ☐ FDS 104. Observational Drawing
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

##### Three credits to complete six credits in each of three separate studio areas, resulting in the skills necessary for effective K-12 art instruction in Virginia (Show pairings here).

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**B.S. & B.A.** The 18 credits of art electives and must consist of studio-based courses with an ART or FDS prefix. Excluding ART 105, ART 200, ART 304, ART 305, ART 491, ART 493, and ART 496.  
**B.F.A.** Art and art related electives may include courses from graphic design, architectural design, art education, and internships, but excludes courses taken to fulfill the studio concentration.

For program admission,  
please see requirements at:  
[https://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc/\\_files/admission-checklist.pdf](https://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc/_files/admission-checklist.pdf)

See the Education Support  
Center website at:  
[www.jmu.edu/coe/esc](http://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc) for  
additional information

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_