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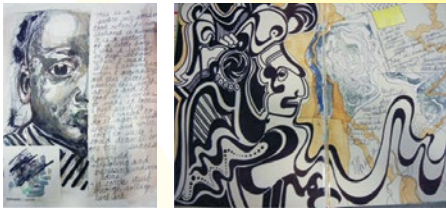
Art Education

Department of Art & Art History



An Art Education major prepares students for a successful career teaching the next generation of creators. Designed to create exemplary artists and educators, the innovative curriculum includes an exciting range of art education, art studio, and art history courses. Field experiences in the sophomore, junior, and senior years offer unique opportunities to work and teach art classes in actual K-12 New Jersey schools and with local non-profit arts organizations. The program culminates in a full semester of student teaching at both the elementary and secondary level; there's also an option to teach abroad. TCNJ's art education graduates are represented in school districts and arts organizations across the region. Upon completion of the Bachelor of Arts degree, students qualify for the K-12 New Jersey State Art Teacher Certification.

All education programs at TCNJ, including Art Education, are accredited through the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).



The AAE program provides students with the necessary knowledge, skills, and dispositions to be effective 21st century teachers. Beginning in their Sophomore year, students take one art education course each semester through the spring of their Junior year. The sequencing of courses allows students to build upon their knowledge and experience in each course. The AAE program requires twelve studio courses, four art history courses, and six art education courses. AAE students conduct coursework that engages varying populations and they participate in diverse field experiences, thereby fulfilling the race and ethnicity civic responsibility requirement for the College.

The AAE program offers field experiences and internships that require students to observe and teach in NJ elementary, middle, and high schools. This real world work experience exposes students to the realities of teaching art in public schools. Global student-teaching provides an opportunity to teach abroad for half the term before completing the semester in a NJ school. In 2013, one of the AAE students received the prestigious National Art Education Association (NAEA) Higher Education Student Achievement Award. This award is bestowed to just one pre-service art teacher in the nation.



Art Education courses include:

- AAE 220: Foundations in Art Education
- AAE 250: Curriculum in Art Education
- AAE 330: Pedagogy in Art Education
- AAE 360: Clinical Practice I: Art Education
- AAE 370: Topics in Art Education
- AAE 391: Independent Study, variable course units (every semester)
- AAE 490: Clinical Practice II: Art Education Student Teaching
- AAE 491: Global Clinical Practice II: Art Education Student Teaching
- AAE 492: Clinical Practice II Seminar: Art Education Capstone

