

The School of Art and Design at East Carolina University seeks graduate students for the Master of Arts in Education in Art Education (MAEd).

The master of arts in education (MAEd) degree is administratively located in the College of Education. The MAEd programs range from a minimum of 33 to 36 semester hours, depending on the teaching field. All MAEd degree programs require completion of course work in the following competency areas: research, trends, and issues in education; the diverse learner; and effective communication and leadership.

The master of arts in education is the professional degree in art education. Applicants for the MAEd must possess at least the initial teaching license. Graduate certification requires demonstrated competence and recommendations from the certifying institution. The total time limit for completing requirements for this degree is six years. Students interested in applying for admission to this degree program must submit a portfolio of slides of their work to indicate their competence in art as well as a satisfactory score on the Miller Analogies Test or the Graduate Record Examinations.

THE SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN

With more than 475 undergraduate and 40 graduate students, and 45+ faculty members, the School of Art and Design at East Carolina University is the most comprehensive art school in North Carolina and one of the largest in the Southeast. The School houses two undergraduate degrees (BFA in Art / BFA in Art Education) and two graduate degrees (MFA in Art/ MAEd in Art Education). Our students come from North Carolina, the east to west coast, and several foreign countries. The ECU School of Art and Design has been an accredited, institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Art and Design since 1962. Over 50 continuous years of specialized accreditation has resulted in a rigorous curriculum with flexibility and practical applications.



THE MAED ART EDUCATION CURRICULUM

The program requires a minimum of 33-36 s.h. as follows:

1. Required education courses - 15 s.h.
 - ART 6800 - History and Philosophy of Art Education
 - ART 6801 - Supervision of Art Education
 - ART 6898 - Research in Art Education
 - EDUC 6001 - Introduction to Differences in Human Learning in Schools
 - SPED 6002 - Addressing Differences in Human Learning in Schools
2. Electives - 12 s.h.
 - a. Art electives - 9 s.h.
 - b. Art history elective - 3 s.h.
3. Final product requirement - 6-9 s.h.

select one of the following options

 - a. Thesis option - 6 s.h. (ART 7000 – Thesis)

The student may choose to do a thesis for 6 s.h. of credit. The thesis must be conventional research dealing with a significant problem in the field of art education.
 - b. Non-thesis option - 9 s.h.

The student may choose to take, in place of the thesis an additional 6 s.h. of art courses and 3 s.h. of electives and complete a project with a faculty member. The final product of these courses is a cumulative project that demonstrates professional competence.

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MAED APPLICATION PROCESS

Admission to the East Carolina University School of Art and Design MFA degree requires acceptance by the Graduate School for study at ECU and by the SoAD MAEd Art Education Program.

Application materials include:

- Online application form ([TargetX](#))
- Application fee
- Official Transcripts
- Teaching License
- 3 letters of reference
- A statement of purpose
- Additional requirement: creative portfolio, list of work, resume, and maker/designer statement must be uploaded using the applicant's Google Drive ([instructions](#))
- A digital portfolio containing 20 examples of work as individual files
- A list of works
- A resume in reverse chronological order
- A statement of philosophy as a maker/designer

Begin the process at:

<https://gradschool.ecu.edu/apply/>



Application deadlines are [August 1](#) for Fall, [December 1](#) for Spring, [May 1](#) for 1st Summer Session, and [June 1](#) for 2nd Summer Session each year.

For more information, contact the Graduate Programs Coordinator, Seo Eo eos@ecu.edu 252 328 6281

Education faculty at East Carolina University respect and congratulate students who have completed National Board Certification by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS). If a MAED candidate's NBPTS license was issued within the last 6 years, they can use it for credit toward the Culminating Project. The same is true for NBPTS recertification, MAED students can use some of their new recertification projects, materials, and so forth, in lieu of assignments in some ECU classes, but not for full course credit. Students must be eligible for, enroll in, and successfully complete graduate courses in which the NBPTS items are used as assignments.

ECU is a participant in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (SARA), which provides students with greater access to programs and courses while maintaining compliance standards with state regulatory agencies. Upon successful completion of master's program degree requirements and advanced licensure requirements for the State of North Carolina, such as, but not limited to, testing and national assessments, MAED candidates will be eligible for an ECU recommendation for an advanced NC license. However, final licensure granting decisions are the sole responsibility of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, not ECU. Candidates who graduate and seek out of state employment will have to meet the receiving state's requirements for advanced licensure. There is no automatic licensure reciprocity between states. ECU will verify the completion of an approved, accredited program for candidates who seek employment out of state, and those candidates will be responsible for working with the receiving state to complete any additional requirements needed to obtain the advanced license. More information about SARA is available at <https://compliance.ecu.edu/>

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