

BFA in Studio Art - Concentration All-Level Certification

The Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) in Studio Art - Emphasis in All-Level Teacher Certification is a 137 credit hour limited access program that provides an intensive background in theoretical knowledge and professional skills. BFA students will develop a personal vision, a high level of competence in technique, and harness the ability to make sound artistic decisions. The BFA in Studio Art is a proficiency-based program, characterized by continuous assessment. Graduating BFA seniors exhibit their work in the Texas A&M University-Commerce University Gallery in their last semester.

To receive a degree in BFA Studio Art with All-Level Teacher Certification, students must successfully complete a minimum 137 credit hours and meet all certification criteria listed below. Students must also remain in the program for a minimum of three long semesters. Students admitted to the BFA program are exempt from any foreign language requirement. Students in the BFA major are not required to select a minor. A departmental advisor can provide additional guidance with regard to entrance and degree requirements.

Academic Performance and Retention

Students are required to have a C or above in all foundation courses to maintain good standing in the Department of Art. The work and progress of students pursuing baccalaureate degrees will be evaluated both within the classes they take and by the departmental standards established for each major programmatic area (BA in Art, BFA in Photography, BFA in Studio Art, BFA in Visual Communication).

The Department of Art reserves the right to discontinue enrollment of art majors at any time if satisfactory academic progress is not being made. Students who have accumulated three unsatisfactory grades (U, D or F) in studio art or visual communication courses at A&M-Commerce or elsewhere may not be permitted to continue, be readmitted, or graduate with a degree in art. Courses with grades of D or F may be repeated for a grade of C or higher only once.

After completion of ALL degree and certification requirements, students must apply for the teaching certificate online at the SBEC web page <https://secure.sbec.state.tx.us/SBECOnline/login.asp>. Requirements that must be met prior to filing for certification:

- Continued admission and retention in the Teacher Education Program.
- Successful completion of all requirements listed on the degree or deficiency plan, including required GPA's and appropriate tests (i.e., ExCET/ TExES and TOPT).

NOTE: Degree must be conferred by the university.

Certification Application Procedures:

1. Go to SBEC website at <https://secure.sbec.state.tx.us/SBECOnline/login.asp>. (Click on "New User? Create New Account" if you are a first-time user.)
2. Follow directions on web page to apply for certificate. You are applying for your "Standard" teaching certificate. You have completed a "University-Based" program.
3. Send appropriate fees to SBEC.
4. Complete all requirements of the National criminal history background check.

* You will receive an email confirmation from SBEC after the university has completed its recommendation. Please DO NOT call to check status. This can be checked online. Once all activities have successfully been performed, SBEC will process the issuing of the certificate. The certificate will be issued and placed on the SBEC website under the "Official Record for Educator Certificates," and a paper certificate will be printed and mailed to the student at the address provided.

Note: Records that are not fully processed within 60 days will be deleted. If deleted, you will be required to file again through SBEC Online.

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Core Curriculum Courses

See the Core Curriculum Requirements (<http://coursecatalog.tamuc.edu/undergrad/core-curriculum-requirements/>) 42

Required Art Foundations Courses

ART 1316	Drawing I	3
ART 1311	Two-Dimensional Design and Color Theory	3
ART 1317	Drawing II	3
ART 1312	Three-Dimensional Design & Color Theory	3
ART 1303	GLB/History of Art I *	
ART 1304	GLB/History of Art II **	
PHO 2356	Introduction to Digital Media	3

PHO 2357	Basic Photography	3
Required Sophomore Courses		
ART 2316	Painting I	3
ART 2326	Sculpture I	3
ART 2346	Ceramics I	3
ART 2313	Visual Communication I	3
PHO 209	Introduction to Video	3
ART 380	Experimental Concepts	3
ART 404	GLB/History of Contemporary Art	3
or ART 405	History Of Modern Art	
ART 354	Teaching Art in the Elementary Classroom	3
ART 355	Teaching Art in the Secondary Classroom	3
Required Advanced Electives in Art, Art History or Photography		12
Required Professional Courses (Including One Semester Field-Based Teacher Education Program):		21
Education Support Courses		
PSY 300	Learning Processes and Development	
RDG 380	Comprehension and Vocabulary in Middle and High Schools	
SED 300	Teaching Profession	
Required Residency Courses		
SED 400	Pedagogy and Classroom Management in Field-based Environments	
SED 401	Technology Infused Curriculum and Assessment in Field-based Environments	
SED 405	Secondary Residency in Teaching	
ELED 452	Student Teaching in Field-Based Teacher Education Programs	
Total Hours		120

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This course satisfies the Creative Arts requirement in the Core Curriculum.

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This course satisfies the Degree Pathway requirement in the Core Curriculum.

A grade of "C" or higher must be earned in all courses in this Major.