Student Success Map

B.A. in Art—Art Education Option
Department of Art and Art History

Essentials for Every Semester

- Meet with your major advisor and consult Advisors in SSC 220 as needed for course selection strategies. Take courses in the proper sequence.
- Meet deadlines to register, pay fees, and apply for financial aid.
- Check your DPR. Are you on-track to meet requirements?
- Complete a sufficient number of units each term (35–36 units) to graduate in four years. Some programs require more.
- Check your Student Center prior to registration for registration holds and updating your personal info.
- Check your Student Center in the first two weeks of classes to confirm your class schedule and that all adds and drops have been processed as you expected.
- Check your Student Center after each semester for your grades and academic standing. If your GPA drops below a 2.0, consult an Advisor.

Get Good Advice

Take the Right Classes

Apply What You Learn

Connect with Peers

Think Globally

Prepare for Life After Graduation

FRESHMAN

Learn where to find and how to use campus resources such as the Student Learning Center, Health Center, Academic Advising, Wellness Center and your faculty advisor. Observe and reflect upon how your teachers teach; as a future teacher, you can learn a lot by watching. Visit each of your instructors during their office hours.

If you need preparatory math and/or English courses, complete them in your first year. Obtain your Major Academic Plan (MAP). It will enable you to plan your course plan for each semester. Begin lower division Studio Foundations and Art History courses.

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Consider prerequisites and other avenues towards teaching with your advisor. Consider a time management workshop in the Student Learning Center. Use the Career Center to assess your interests, skills, and work values.

SOPHOMORE

Know how to use your Degree Progress Report (DPR) in your Student Center. Go to Academic Advising for help.

The Art Ed course of study is similar, but not exactly the same as Studio; talk to your advisor about double majoring in both or doing a minor in Studio or Art History. Also, take Art Educational professional courses in order (ART 493, ART 494, then ART 592). Consult an advisor to plan for each semester.

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Complete your GE Foundation courses. Explore GE Pathways. Consider completing an interdisciplinary minor within your GE. Consult an advisor for help.

SOPHOMORE

Consider an internship to explore your major and build professional skills. Internships provide you with valuable work experience prior to graduation.

Read the Book in Common (BIC) and participate in BIC activities.

Explore Study Abroad opportunities. Attend an info session they offer every semester. Or consider National Student Exchange. Take language courses now for the country you'd like to visit.

If you plan to do your teaching credential at Chico, discuss credential prerequisite courses with your advisor. These courses are also offered during Winter and Summer intersessions.

JUNIOR

Apply for graduation one year in advance of your expected graduation date.

Begin your Upper Division GE Pathway courses. Select your studio area of emphasis. Remember that ART 494 is offered Fall only and 592 is offered Spring only. Prepare to take prerequisite courses for the credential program. If interested, apply for the credential program.

Apply for your credential program. Plan and take the CBEST Exam in the Fall. Take GE or other appropriate exams. Apply for graduate/professional school.

Get more involved with DADA. See your advisor about going to the State Art Education Conference in the Fall.

Art Education has special opportunities for international travel; talk to your advisor about them.

Do an internship in a real classroom setting.

Senior

Confirm graduation progress with an Evaluator.

Finish all major requirements.

Network with alumni, advisory boards, and other potential employers.

Graduation and Beyond

Private Sector
- Museum Curator
- Art Therapist
- Art Director
- Art Teacher
- Artist

Government
- Art Facilitator
- Art Teacher

Non-Profits
- Art Administrator
- Craftsperson
- Art Critic

Other Careers
- Cartoonist
- Illustrator
- Designer

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