

ART EDUCATION MAJORS (Suggested Associate in Arts Degree Curriculum)

This worksheet is designed to help students select courses which are likely to apply to a **major in ART EDUCATION**. These suggested courses satisfy requirements in the Associate in Arts degree program at Prairie State College and provide the basis for transferring to a four-year institution. This program meets the guidelines of the **IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative) General Education Core**. Students should obtain a copy of the Prairie State College **Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet** and should visit the IAI website at www.iTransfer.org for more information.

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS IN ART EDUCATION

To teach art in Illinois public schools, teachers must be certified by the State of Illinois. To transfer into an approved baccalaureate program in art education as a junior, students must complete a minimum of 60 semester credits. Since admission is competitive, completion of the courses recommended below does not guarantee admission. Community college students are strongly encouraged to complete an Associate in Arts degree prior to transfer. Some colleges may require a portfolio as part of the admission screening process. Students should be aware that a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale is usually required for program admission. Students must pass the Illinois Basic Skills Test (www.icts.nesinc.com) which includes reading, writing, grammar, and math, as a university requirement for program admission. Most schools require a criminal background check prior to enrolling in field experience courses. Student should consult an academic advisor at the community college and senior university early and often.

SUGGESTED CURRICULUM

Each senior institution has its own transfer policies. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information in regard to every individual school. Consult the school of your choice and/or the Prairie State Advising Center to discuss the transferability of courses.

TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (38 credits)

Area A: Communications (9 credits)

ENG 101 (3)	[C1 900]*	Composition I (Prereq. ENG 099, C or better, or qualifying score on English Placement Test)
ENG 102 (3)	[C1 901R]*	Composition II (Prereq. ENG 101, C or better)
COMM 101(3)	[C2 900]	Principles of Communication (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

**Must have a C or better in ENG 101 & 102 to receive credit for the degree.*

Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)

Select three courses with at least one course selected from the humanities area and one course from the fine arts area. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area B, for a listing of approved course choices.

ART 121(3)	[F2 901]	History of Western Art I (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
ART 122 (3)	[F2 902]	History of Western Art II (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
ENG ___ (3)		Select any literature course except ENG 220. (Prereq. ENG 101, C or better)

Area C: Mathematics (3 credits)

MATH 112 (3)	[M1 904]	General Education Mathematics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better OR MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better OR qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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MATH 115 (3)	[M1 902]	General Education Statistics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better OR MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better OR qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (8 credits)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab component. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area D, for a listing of approved course choices.

Life Science Course (4)	Select any Area D Life Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Physical Science Course (4)	Select any Area D Physical Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

Area E: Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

HIST 201 (3)	[S2 900]	or HIST 202 (3) [S2 901] U.S. History (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
POLSC 140 (3)	[S5 900]	Introduction to U.S. Government & Politics (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
PSYCH 101(3)	[S6 900]	Introduction to Psychology (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

ART EDUCATION MAJOR COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS (24 credits)

(Check with the school to which you plan to transfer to verify transferability of these courses for your major)

Select 24 credits from the “suggested” course recommendations listed below:

Suggested IAI Art Education Core courses (12 credits)

ART 101 (3)	Two Dimensional Design
ART 102 (3)	Three Dimensional Design
ART 104 (3)	Drawing I
ART 106 (3)	Drawing II (Prereq. ART 104)

Suggested IAI Media Specific Studio Art courses (3-9 credits)

Select 3-9 credits in studio art courses from the following:

ART 109 (3)	Ceramics
ART 162 (3)	Life Drawing (Prereq. ART 101 & 104)
ART 201 (3)	Painting I (Prereq. ART 104)
ART 205 (3)	Printmaking (Prereq. ART 101 & 104)
GC 151 (3)	Principles of Graphic Design (Prereq. ART 115 or concurrent enrollment)
PHOTO 171 (3)	Introduction to Black & White Photography

Suggested teacher education program electives (3-9)

Select 3-9 credits from the following recommended electives:

HLTH 101 (2) Health and Wellness

Additional Humanities course (3)

One non-Western course from: ART 131, GEOG 101, HUMAN 101, or HIST 115, 116, 140 (3)

Other suggested courses which satisfy the PSC AA degree requirements may include electives such as:

Any additional general education courses selected from Areas B, C, D, or E

Any foreign language courses*

Up to four credits of physical education courses

Additional courses recommended by the school to which you plan to transfer.

***Foreign Language Requirement:** Some universities have a foreign language requirement. Generally, four years of a single foreign language in high school, or four semesters in college, will fulfill this requirement. It is recommended that students complete the entire sequence at one institution.

SPECIAL NOTES:

1. Before enrolling in any additional courses with an “ECED” or “ED” or “EDU” prefixes at Prairie State College, consult a counselor or advisor to determine the transferability of these courses. Most senior institutions prefer that students complete as many general education courses as possible at the community college and take their professional education courses at the senior institution.
2. Previous Prairie State College courses with prefixes of CD or EDUC cannot be used in this transfer program.
3. The State Certification Board will accept no more than 9 credits of “professional education” courses from a community college.
4. For further information consult with the Transcript Evaluator in the Office of Admissions and Records.

62 CREDITS REQUIRED FOR AN ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

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FOR TEACHER CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

Illinois State Board of Education: www.isbe.state.il.us

Approved Teacher Certification Programs in Illinois: www.isbe.net/profprep/PDFs/Directory.pdf

Certification information for new teachers in Illinois: www.isbe.net/certification/html/becoming_teacher.htm

Illinois Certification Testing System (Basic Skills Test): www.icts.nesinc.com

FOR TRANSFER INFORMATION:

u.select, formerly known as Course Applicability System (CAS): www.transfer.org

Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): www.iTransfer.org

Links to Articulation Tables for Illinois Colleges: <http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf>

Visit the web sites of colleges and universities to which you plan to transfer.

Occupational Outlook Handbook, U.S. Department of Labor: <http://www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm>

Employment opportunities: www.collegecentral.com/prairiestate