



## Central to Instructing Techniques for Creativity.

Central's BSEd in Art Education prepares students for a Pre-Kindergarten through 12th grade teaching certification in Connecticut. Students develop into well-educated and competent art teachers ready to assume the responsibilities of planning and executing elementary and secondary art programs. This includes instruction in art production, art history and culture, art criticism, and aesthetics.

Graduates assume leadership roles in promoting art programming and the need for art education. Students and graduates demonstrate professionalism through involvement in community activities and professional organizations at the local, state, and national levels.

### Program Features

- Attend full- or part-time
- Classes are on-campus
- Engage with contemporary art education theory and methods
- Cohort classes build camaraderie and a strong support system
- More than 60 hours of field experience before Student Teaching
- Opportunity to exhibit personal artwork in the Annual Art Educators Show
- Experience teaching students with Saturday Arts Workshop during Junior Year
- Knowledgeable, diverse, and energetic faculty engaged in actively exhibiting artwork in galleries, museums, and theaters of national and international scope
- Internship and study abroad opportunities
- Financial aid and scholarships available
- Free on-campus child care available



### DID YOU KNOW?

Students may specialize in a specific media as a concentration in their degree.



### What You'll Gain

- **Art Making** - Art teacher candidates will demonstrate knowledge of appropriate techniques and processes in a variety of visual media.
- **Art in Context** - Art teacher candidates will demonstrate knowledge of art forms, artists, and art works from diverse historical and contemporary contexts.
- **Planning** - Teacher candidates will design comprehensive, sequential art curriculum that incorporates a variety of teaching strategies and considers the developmental appropriateness of K-12 students.
- **Applying** - Art teacher candidates will use a variety of teaching and assessment strategies to promote students' conceptual learning and artistic achievement during select field and student teaching experiences.
- **Reflective Practitioner** - Art teacher candidates will engage in self-reflection and analysis of their field and teaching experiences to identify areas for personal growth.

### Clubs

**The Saturday Art Workshop (SAW)** is a Central program that offers opportunities to participating children from the Greater Hartford region to take art classes at the university. First and foremost, however, SAW serves as a pre-student teaching practicum. Classes are instructed and designed by Central teacher candidate students accepted to the Art Education Professional Program. Participants work with a variety of media in lessons that are fun and engaging. Activities include lessons in clay, drawing, painting, and mixed media. Past lessons have included creative self-portraits, clay animal sculptures, imaginative landscapes, and more!

### Career Preparation

- Estimated job growth of 8% through 2026 in Connecticut (Source: learn.org)
- Median pay for a public school art teacher is \$61,820 (Source: bls.gov)



#### DID YOU KNOW?

Over 95% job placement rate for Central graduates in the last six years.



PROGRAM WEBSITE

#### ABOUT CENTRAL:

Central Connecticut State University is the largest university within the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities system. Founded in 1849, Central is also the state's oldest publicly funded university. Our campus is located in New Britain, Connecticut. Central is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE).

