Nebraska Wesleyan University

ART 1000 Art in the PK-Elementary School

Catalog

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Course Description

Study of age- and developmentally-appropriate philosophy, methodology, processes, and content for visual arts instruction in the pre-kindergarten and elementary schools. Includes strategies for teaching art criticism, art history, art media and techniques, aesthetics, and developing curriculum for the PK-elementary school art program. Students will engage in constructing and solving a series of design problems via a range of 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional art processes. Practicum teaching experiences required (Art majors will have both pre-kindergarten and elementary school practicums, all other students will have elementary school practicum) as well as assigned readings, reflective writings, lecture/presentations, hands-on activities, and classroom discussions are provided. Required for certification of elementary teachers and PK-12 art endorsements. Cannot be applied toward a major in art.

Course Hours

3 hours

Departments

1. Art