

**Grand Valley State University**  
**CLAS Academic Advising Center**  
**C-1-140 Mackinac Hall / 616-331-8585**  
**Graduate Teacher Certification Planned Program**  
**Visual Arts – Secondary Certification Only**  
**(75 credits/3.0 GPA required)**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ SID: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Transfer Institution(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**Required Courses**

Course Number	✓	Course Name	Credits	Completed	Scheduled	Grade	Quality Points
ART 150		2 Dimensional Design	3				
ART 151		3 Dimensional Design	3				
ART 152		Color and Design	3				
ART 153		Creative Problem Solving	3				
ART 155		Introduction to Drawing I	3				
ART 157		Introduction to Drawing II	3				
ART 332		Introduction to Art Education	3				
ART 333		Curriculum Development & Practice	3				
ART 334		Teaching the Non-traditional Canon	3				
ART 495		<i>Capstone</i> – Senior Project: Issues in Art	3				
		<i>Art History (12 credits) Two Survey courses &amp; two above 200-level.</i>					
ART 221		Survey of Art History I	3				
ART 222		Survey of Art History II	3				
ART ____			3				
ART ____			3				
		<i>Art Education (12 credits) Complete (4) from the following</i>					
ART 245		Intro to Jewelry & Metalsmithing	3				
ART 260		Intro to Painting	3				
ART 265		Intro to Printmaking	3				

ART 270		Intro to Sculpture	3				
ART 275		Intro to Ceramics	3				
		<i>Drawing (6 credits) Completed (2) intermediate level from the following</i>					
ART 257		Life Drawing	3				
ART 258		Intermediate Drawing	3				
ART 355		Advanced Drawing I	3				
		<i>Emphasis Area (9 credits) Two Intermediate and One Advanced</i>					
ART ____			3				
ART ____			3				
ART ____			3				
		<i>Art Electives (6 credits) Studio or Art Education</i>					
ART ____			3				
ART ____			3				

**Total Credits needed:** 75 semester hours for major

**Cumulative GPA:** 3.0 overall required for GTC

**Special Considerations:**

See Emphasis Area (9 credits) above. A new Visual Studies emphasis area is now available.

**Notes:**

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**Departmental Approval:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Next Steps:**

- 1. If you have not already done so, you must attend a Graduate Teacher Certification workshop sponsored by the College of Education. You can schedule a time to attend by calling their Student Assistance Center at 616-331-6650.**
- 2. Be prepared to provide any additional course materials, such as a syllabus or course description, especially for out of state classes and courses completed more than 10 years**

**ago. This will help the academic departments when finalizing course evaluations and planned programs.**

- 3. Contact the CLAS Academic Advising Center to schedule an appointment if you need help registering.**
- 4. Prior to admission to the program, you should schedule an appointment with the Graduate Teacher Certification Coordinator within the College of Education. You can schedule that appointment by calling 616-331-6650.**

The following details give information regarding the Graduate Teacher Certification Program and are taken directly from the Grand Valley State University catalog:

**Graduate Teacher Certification.** Candidates who already possess an approved baccalaureate degree may consider certification at either the undergraduate or graduate level. Because of the need for careful assessment in choosing the appropriate program, students should first contact the Student Information and Services Center to request background materials and register to attend one of the regularly scheduled information meetings. Candidates considering the graduate program must be able to undertake full-time study for approximately one calendar year.

Minimum admission requirements for the graduate certification program include:

1. Completion of the baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution at least three years prior to application with a GPA of 3.0 or higher for the final 60 semester credits.
2. Possession of completion of a teachable major with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Secondary candidates must also possess or complete a teachable minor before final certification (with a 3.0 GPA or higher).
3. Successful completion of Michigan Basic Skills Test.
4. Successful completion of Michigan Subject Area Test in teachable major.
5. Documentation of 25 hours age-appropriate experience with children or youth.
6. Current TB test report.
7. Signed statement regarding criminal activity.
8. Completion of EDT 619 Curricular Integration of Ed Technology (elementary only, taken before GTC). Secondary take EDT 627 Technology Integration for Secondary Teachers (completed during GTC.)
9. Admission to graduate studies.
10. Completion of application materials for graduate teacher certification program.

Candidates will be eligible for Michigan Provisional Certification after they successfully complete coursework, maintain a 3.0 GPA, and complete certain additional state requirements. These requirements include the Michigan Elementary Test for elementary candidates, or the completion of a teachable minor and the Michigan Subject Area Test in the minor for secondary candidates.