



Art teachers- are you looking for Professional Development designed just for you? To often, arts teachers spend countless hours sitting in classes that are not relevant to their content area. Professional Development shouldn't be and doesn't have to be this way. Take online courses designed by an art teacher specifically for art teachers through [The Art of Education](#), and even have the option to earn graduate credit in the process.

Art of Education classes only take about an hour per day, and it's all online. There are no specific times you need to meet online you work at your own pace, on your own time!

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### **Clutter Free Teaching**

De-clutter your space, your mind, your teaching. As art teachers, we have a lot of 'stuff' in our physical space to manage. Get rid of what's not working and embrace new best practices to help you work smarter, not harder. Learn to live more simply in your classroom, get more done, stay organized, and maintain your sanity.

### **Exploring the Art Museum**

Art Museums are the center of the professional art world. Take an online journey to major art museums all around the country and world and discover resources available for students and educators alike through new interactive museum websites. Discuss strategies to get your students engaged in the artwork critiquing process and much more.

### **Rethinking Kindergarten**

Explore some of the most renowned early learning schools in the world, the preschools of Reggio Emilia in Italy. These preschools value the arts as an equal partner to the other academic subjects, provide rich interdisciplinary curriculum, and boast a full time art teacher who works in direct conjunction with the regular classroom teacher. You will apply this knowledge by re-thinking the way you teach students kindergarten art room

### **Tech-Ready Teacher**

Having trouble keeping up with the students of today, who are exceedingly more tech savvy at an increasingly younger age? Get the foundation of knowledge you need around social media and other online collaboration platforms useful to the arts, as well as the ability learn new ones... Finally, a tech class tailored specifically for the needs of an art

educator!

### **Blogging for Art Educators**

Blogs are quickly becoming one of the most popular ways for art teachers and students to create, share, and document the learning process with the world. Learn blogging basics and create your own blog with step-by-step guidance with an experienced blogger and educator. Brainstorm ways to fit blogging into your own classrooms, and discover ways to connect with other art educators online.

### **The Element**

As art teachers, we see talents and passions in our students that may not be recognized in a traditional classroom setting. What would happen in our lives if we spent less time worrying about improving our weaknesses and instead focused on becoming experts in the areas we're already good at? Learn from author and creativity expert Sir Kenneth Robinson's book "The Element," on how to discover and leverage your (and your students') unique abilities.

### **Assessment in Art Education**

Assessment Strategies are becoming a necessity in today's education world. Art Educators are striving to find creative and meaningful strategies to demonstrate student learning, growth and achievement. Explore current research in assessment in arts education and including strategies and systems that some of the top schools and programs in the nation are using to assess the arts. You'll leave the course with a comprehensive assessment toolkit to begin implementing in your own district!

### **Creativity in Crisis**

According to the 2010 Newsweek Article "**Creativity in Crisis**" our nation's creativity is declining. The jobs of the future will demand people who are able to think creatively, problem solve, and adapt to situations. This major disconnect is tough for teachers, especially arts teachers, to swallow. Learn from creativity experts to dig deep into true understanding of creativity and learn creativity-enhancement strategies you can implement in your own classroom right away.

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