

Early Field Experience in Art Education ART 277

Fort Hays State University
College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Department of Art and Design
Instructor Brian Hutchinson

1. COURSE INFORMATION

1.1. Credit Hours	1 credit
1.2. Semester and Year	Fall 2025
1.3. Course Prerequisites	none
1.4. Location of Class	Art and Design room 224
1.5. Class Time	Arranged meeting pattern

2. INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

2.1. Instructor Contact Information

- Name: Brian Hutchinson
- Title: Instructor
- Office Location: Center for Art and Design, Room 224
- Office Hours: Monday/Wednesday/Friday: 1:30-3:30 PM or by appointment.
- Email Address: bthutchinson@fhsu.edu
- Phone Number: 785-628-4301
- Other contact information: Make an appointment with me through the Calendly Application: <https://calendly.com/bthutchinson/30min>
- You can also schedule an appointment with me by scanning the qr code below.



2.2. Contact Procedure and Communication Policy: We will meet three times during the semester. This can be in person or via Zoom as needed. See schedule.



2.3. About the Instructor:

- Education and Teaching Background: BFA 2004, Printmaking and Drawing at FHSU. BSE 2004, Secondary Education FHSU. MFA 2009, Printmaking and Drawing FHSU. Currently a doctoral student seeking EDD in Instructional Design and Performance Technology from Baker University. 16 years of teaching experience in K-12 Art Education at many different schools across Kansas. 8 years of full-time teaching experience in Art Education and Studio Foundations at FHSU. Currently working professional artist engaged in exhibition, jurying, and community beautification.
- Research Interests: Non-Traditional and Traditional Printmaking application within Mixed Media drawing works. Technologically enabled studio teaching. Quality Instructional Design and accessibility.
- Link to a personal website: <https://www.bthutchinson.com/>

3. TEXTBOOK AND COURSE MATERIALS

3.1. Required Materials: Early Field Experience Packet.

3.2. Supplementary Book(s) and Article(s): all other materials are provided by Instructor.

3.3. Computer Requirements: Please refer to the [TigerTech webpage](#) to check the requirements. If you have any technical issues, contact FHSU TigerTech 785-628-3478, notify to the instructor.

4. COURSE DESCRIPTION

4.1. FHSU Catalogue Description: Observation of elementary art teachers and students.

4.2. Recommendations for Success: Arrange your observation as soon as possible in the semester. Make sure your placement packet is submitted to Sonia within the first two weeks of the semester. Dress professionally. Offer your services to your cooperating teacher to help them as much as possible. Write a thank you letter to your cooperating teacher and school principal at the end of your observation thanking them.

5. COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

5.1. Course Learning Outcomes/Objectives:

Gain understanding of the procedural, technical, and management operations of elementary art classes.

Develop positive relationships with students, teachers, and administration.



Reflect on experience as it relates to best practices in elementary art education.

5.2. Prerequisites: None

5.3. Course Expectations:

Student meets with professor a minimum of three times throughout semester.

Student submits placement application within first two weeks of classes.

Student engages professionally in all aspects of observation as a representative of the College of Education and Department of Art and Design at FHSU.

Student is expected to be active in observation by aiding cooperating teacher during observation.

6. TEACHING, LEARNING METHODS, & COURSE STRUCTURE

6.1. Delivery Method: Arranged meetings with professor.

6.2. Instructional Approach: Guided observation.

6.3. Course Structure: Arranged meetings.

7. COURSE SCHEDULE

This schedule is tentative and might change during the semester depending on how the course evolves. The content is subject to change depending on students' interest and progress. Students will be notified of the changes through announcements either in the class or at the Blackboard course site. If time is mentioned in the course, it refers to the Central Time Zone.



Module # & Range of Dates for Module	Required Work	Responsibilities	Due Date
Week 1 8/18-8/24	Application Requirements	Arrange all application requirements. Schedule a Zoom meeting with me to review application requirements.	8/24
Week 2 8/25-9/1	Sonia Application	Submit Sonia application.	9/1
Week 8 10/6-10/12 Midterm Week	Midterm Check-in with Faculty Advisor	Share observation log, discuss experience.	10/10 Friday!
Week 16 Finals Week 5/12-5/16	Submit completed observation log	Turn your observation log in to me. Write and send Thank-you notes to cooperating teacher and school principal	12/12

8. ASSESSMENT METHODS AND GRADING SCALE

This course is a pass/fail course. Students earn a passing grade if they meet all qualifying criteria.

1. Submit application packet within the first two weeks of class.
2. Arrange observation with cooperating teacher as early as possible in the semester.
3. Meet with faculty advisor at midterm and during finals week.
4. Submit completed observation paperwork to faculty advisor by or before 5/16.
5. Send thank-you notes to both the cooperating teacher and school principal.



11. UNIVERSITY POLICIES

11.1. [Academic Honesty](#)

11.2. [Attendance](#)

11.3. [Withdrawal](#)

11.4. [Student Accessibility Services](#)

11.5. [Kelly Center Support Services](#)

11.6. [Title IX Policy](#) : FHSU is committed to fostering a safe and productive learning environment. Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex, gender, and gender identity are Civil Rights offenses subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories such as race, national origin, etc. This includes all types of gender and relationship violence, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, domestic and dating violence, and stalking. If you wish to report an incident or have questions about school policies and procedures regarding Title IX issues, please contact Amy Schaffer, University Compliance Officer and the FHSU Title IX Coordinator, at alschaffer@fhsu.edu or (785) 628-4175. The Compliance Officer can help connect you to campus and outside resources, discuss all of your reporting options, and assist with any concerns you may have.

11.7. [Career Services](#)

11.8. [Technology Services](#)

11.9. [Smarthinking](#)