

Program Requirements

- Students must complete the MAT degree within four years.
- A minimum of 42 credit hours must be completed at the School.
- Up to 6 hours of graduate-level transfer credits may be requested at the time of application and are subject to approval at that time only. No transfer credit will be given for pre-requisite work.
- Students must successfully complete their thesis projects prior to graduation.
- Students applying for certification in Illinois must be United States citizens or file a form of intent.
- Students planning to teach in Illinois must pass the two Illinois State Teacher's Examinations in order to qualify for certification. The examination includes both a Basic Skills and Art Education test. **Students admitted into the MAT program will be required to take and pass the Basic Skills test by the end of the first semester of being in the program.** If the student receives a failing score the first time, the student will be placed on department probation. If the student receives a failing score on the second attempt, the student will be required to leave the Art Education program. The exams are usually offered at least four times a year. Students are encouraged to take the test on the first possible date once the student is admitted to the Art Education program.

Title II

The following information is provided in accordance with Title II of the Higher Education Act, section 207(f)(2):

The pass rate of the School of the Art Institute's art education graduates for the program year 2000-2001 on teacher certification assessments is:

- Basic Skills: 94%
(This pass rate reflects 15 out of 16 SAIC students passing the test)
- Academic Content: 94%
(This pass rate reflects 15 out of 16 SAIC students passing the test)

The average pass rate for all teacher preparation programs within institutions of higher education in Illinois is:

- Basic Skills: 100%
(This pass rate reflects 8596 out of 8633 students from institutions state-wide passing the test)
- Academic Content: 98%
(This pass rate reflects 7306 out of 7470 students from institutions state-wide passing the test)