

The School of Visual Arts (SVA) is pleased to announce a search for its next Chair of the MAT Art Education Program. The new chair of the program will have the unique opportunity to build upon the considerable successes of the founding chair, who will retire at the end of this academic year, and to lead the program's faculty and students into the next chapter of the department's evolution.

SVA invites nominations and applications for the position of a full-time department chair of the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) Art Education program. The Chair is responsible for the overall management and future direction of department's academic programs, in accordance with SVA's mission and in support of the institution's strategic plan. The Chair ensures that the MAT program remains in compliance with the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation accreditation requirements, and keeps abreast of developments in the New York City and State Departments of Education mandates and requirements. The successful candidate will be expected to begin on August 1, 2018.

### **Program Description**

The art classroom is a place where children are given the opportunity to explore and develop their personal dreams and goals, and to think independently. The MAT program provides a hands-on learning environment where student teachers investigate educational issues and techniques, develop their own educational philosophy, and continue creating personal artwork. The program takes a child-centered approach to art education that emphasizes collaboration and community and addresses the needs of diverse populations, including those with special needs. Designed for students who have completed an undergraduate major in studio art, the MAT Art Education program can be completed either as a full-time, one-year intensive, or as a two-year, part-time program, ideal for those who want to continue working while they complete the coursework required to qualify for the New York State Initial Certification in Visual Art. Individualized student teaching placements are made at carefully selected public schools throughout New York City. Our students have the opportunity to gain specialized teaching experience through SVA's innovative children's programs: Art Program for the Homeless and Art for Kids.

### **Responsibilities**

- Manage a staff of 2 full-time administrative employees and approximately 10 faculty.
- Recruit, develop, and inspire a cohort of faculty whose pedagogy and research support the highest standards of art education, including performance evaluations and recommendations concerning contracts and teaching assignments, as applicable.
- Prepare course schedules and catalog descriptions, and the assignment of faculty to their courses.
- Manage and oversee the department's academic and administrative operations;
- Collaborate with the Registrar and the Office of Academic Affairs in class scheduling, class cancellations, and other detailed matters relating to the administration of the academic calendar.
- Complete mandated state, federal and accreditation reports, as well as oversee accreditation site visits.
- Develop the Art Education Department annual budget and monitor ongoing expenditures within approved categories and limits.
- Manage the departmental assessment system and implement changes as needed.
- Participate in professional art education organizations at the state and national levels.
- Perform the duties of a full-time faculty member, including teaching eight credits per academic year, advise and mentor students, and participate in other activities of the Department and College, as requested.

### **Qualifications**

- Ed.D. or Ph.D. in Art Education.
- Five to ten years of progressively responsible experience in higher education.

- A record of scholarly research and/or creative activity.
- Prior supervisory experience, preferably in an educational environment.
- Experience with student recruitment and retention.
- Demonstrated excellence in teaching introductory and advanced course in art education higher education, and/or those at the K-12 level.
- Evidence of contributions/service to the development of arts programs.
- Working knowledge of New York State and national standards for visual arts and a demonstrated awareness of emerging pedagogical trends in K-12 education.
- Experience with community- and urban-based art education programming and outreach, including educational equity and arts-based educational research.
- Proven ability to acquire external funding through grants for partnerships and special programs.
- Familiarity with edTPA and requirements for teacher licensure in the State of New York.
- A demonstrable commitment to the mission and core values of School of Visual Arts.

**Application Procedure:**

For full consideration, please send a letter of interests that describes how your experience and interests fulfill the requirements of this position, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching interests/philosophy, and list of names and full contact information for three professional references.

Application review will begin immediately. To be assured of full consideration, please submit all materials by June 11, 2018, as PDF documents, to [SVA-ChairSearch@sva.edu](mailto:SVA-ChairSearch@sva.edu).

No walk-ins or phone calls please.

School of Visual Arts is an EEO employer. Women and applicants of color are strongly encouraged to apply for this position.

*About The School of Visual Arts*

School of Visual Arts has been a leader in the education of artists, designers and creative professionals for nearly seven decades. With a faculty of distinguished working professionals, dynamic curriculum and an emphasis on critical thinking, SVA is a catalyst for innovation and social responsibility. Comprised of more than 6,000 students at its Manhattan campus and 35,000 alumni in 100 countries, SVA also represents one of the most influential artistic communities in the world.

*The SVA Mission*

The mission of the School of Visual Arts is to educate future generations of artists, designers, and creative professionals.