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Subject: Amendment of Section 100.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Media Arts Course Flexibility for the Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP) and CTE Pathways to High School Graduation

At the March 2024 Board of Regents meeting, the Board approved for permanent adoption the amendment of section 100.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education relating to career and technical education (CTE) and media arts course flexibility for the Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP) and Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathway to high school graduation. These regulations became effective on March 27, 2024.

The amendment provides local discretion on how to distribute credit for media arts courses within a CTE or IAAP sequence when these courses are taught by a visual arts certified teacher or an appropriately certified CTE teacher. Specifically, the amendment allows media arts courses approved by the New York State Education Department (NYSED) to be included in the three units of diploma credit in an IAAP sequence or in a student's NYSED-approved CTE program regardless of whether the teacher is appropriately CTE or arts certified. The media arts courses that can utilize this flexibility can be found on the [List of Department-approved media arts courses for use in student's IAAP sequence and NYSED-approved CTE program](#).

For additional information regarding the flexibility provided by the amendment, please see the [CTE and Media Arts Course Flexibility for the IAAP and CTE Pathway Frequently Asked Questions webpage](#). Questions regarding this memorandum, may be directed to either the Office of Standards and Instruction (OSI) at emscurric@nysed.gov or the Office of CTE at emsccte@nysed.gov. For questions regarding the IAAP, please contact OSI. For questions regarding the CTE Pathway, please contact the Office of CTE.

Frequently Asked Questions Relating to Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Media Arts Course Flexibility for the Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP) and CTE Pathway to High School Graduation

This resource addresses frequently asked questions related to the New York State Education Department (NYSED) field memo, *Amendment of Section 100.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education Relating to Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Media Arts Course Flexibility for the Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP) and CTE Pathways to High School Graduation*.

1. What are media arts?

As articulated in NYSED's "[Guidance on Implementing the New York State Revised Learning Standards Currently in New York State](#)," media arts is understood to apply to all forms of time-related art works which are created by recording sound and/or visual images. Media artwork usually depends on a technological component to function. It includes both fine art and commercially oriented works presented via film, television, radio, audio, video, the internet, interactive and mobile technologies, transmedia storytelling, and satellite. Media art forms are constantly evolving in response to technological innovations. Media arts is an interdisciplinary content area that includes both fine and commercially oriented works of art. Forms that are shared with contemporary visual arts/fine arts include kinetic sculpture, information art, organic and algorithmic art, interactive art, multimedia installations. Other more commercially oriented forms include news reporting, documentaries, advertisements, music videos, animation, machinima, video games and game design, and/or a combination of any of these. This can be achieved through delivery of the [NYS Media Arts Standards](#) and the [NYS CDOS 3B Career Major Standards in the Arts/Humanities](#).

2. Does the flexibility provided under section 100.5 of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education affect who can instruct media arts courses?

No. Per NYSED's [School Codes for the Exchange of Data \(SCED\) Course to Certification Crosswalk Workbook](#), media arts courses can be instructed by appropriately certified CTE certified teachers and visual arts certified teachers. The amendment of section 100.5 does not change the requirements for who can instruct media arts courses but aims to increase access to media arts courses by allowing appropriately certified teachers to teach certain media arts courses that can be utilized as both arts credit towards an IAAP sequence and CTE credit towards a NYSED-approved CTE program.

3. Which specific courses does this flexibility apply to?

The *List of Department-approved Media Arts Courses for use in student's IAAP sequence and NYSED-approved CTE program* is in the Department's March 2024 memo to the field.

4. Does this flexibility affect who can instruct Design and Drawing for Production?

No. There has been no change in requirements regarding which certifications (Technology Education and Visual Arts) can instruct Design and Drawing for Production.

5. Does this flexibility affect who can instruct arts courses to satisfy the required arts diploma credit?

No. In accordance with section 100.5(b)(7)(iv)(e) of the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, any arts course for which credit will be awarded to meet the one unit of credit requirement for graduation must be taught by a certified teacher. Arts courses for arts diploma credit must be instructed by an arts certified teacher. Design and Drawing for Production ([DDP](#)) and the Family and Consumer Sciences Housing and Environment and Clothing and Textiles Core courses ([FACS](#)) are the only instances in which students can earn their arts diploma credit through courses instructed by non-arts certified teachers. This flexibility does not change who can instruct arts courses to satisfy the required arts diploma credit.

6. Will there be any change in reporting to the Department for media arts courses?

No. All courses on the *List of NYSED-approved media arts courses for use in student's IAAP sequence and NYSED-approved CTE program* will continue to be reported using the same SCED codes found in the [NYS Comprehensive Course Catalog](#).

List of Department-approved media arts courses for use in student's IAAP sequence and NYSED-approved CTE program

<u>Course Code</u>	<u>Course Code Description</u>
05160	Printmaking/Graphics
05161	Printmaking
05162	Graphic Design
05163	Advertising Design
05167	Photography
05168	Film/Videotape
05169	Computer-Assisted Art
05250	Media Arts—Comprehensive
05251	Digital Imaging
05252	Interactive Design
05253	Interactive Game Design
05254	Web Design
05255	Moving Image
05256	Moving Image-Animation
05257	Digital Sounds Design
05258	Virtual Design
05260	Multimedia Design
05261	Intermedia Design
05262	Media Arts Theory
05263	Media Literacy
05297	Media Arts Independent study
10202	Computer Graphics
11051	Audio/Visual Production
11052	Commercial Photography
11053	Photo Lab & Darkroom
11054	Photo Imaging
11055	Video
11097	Aud/Vid Tech Film-Ind Study
11102	Photojournalism
11103	Broadcasting Technology
11104	Publication Production
11147	Journ and Broadcast-Ind Study
11151	Digital Media Technology
11152	Desktop Publishing
11153	Digital Media Design & Prod
11154	Commercial Graphic Design
11155	Graphic Technology

11156	Photo & Print Technology
11157	Photoengraving
11158	Print Press Operations
11197	Printing Technology-Ind Study
21100	Design and Drawing for Production (DDP)