

BACKGROUND AND RECOMMENDATION

BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE

Multi-Age (PK-12) License in Visual Arts

This degree program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for an initial undergraduate program leading to the Multi-Age License in Visual Arts. There were no major concerns identified in the review. Continued approval is recommended until the next national accreditation visit. In addition, it should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio endorsements and licenses continues to be met.

Profile: Baldwin-Wallace College is a private, liberal arts college offering bachelors and master's degrees, certificates and professional education programs. BWC, founded in 1845, is located in Berea, Ohio and has an enrollment of nearly 3700 undergraduate students and more than 700 graduate students.

Accreditation/Authorization: The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association (HLC) regionally accredits the institution. Baldwin-Wallace College is HLC accredited until its next scheduled review in 2018. The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) accredits Baldwin-Wallace College's educator preparation programs at the initial and advanced level until the next scheduled review in March 2011.

Request: Baldwin-Wallace College requests continued approval for the Multi-Age (PK-12) License in Visual Arts.

Background: The Multi-Age License is valid for teaching learners from ages three to twenty-one and pre-kindergarten through grade twelve in the curriculum areas named in such license, in this instance visual art. Preparation in the teaching field shall constitute at least an academic major or its equivalent with sufficient advanced coursework in all areas to be taught as specified by the teacher preparation institution and approved by the Ohio Department of Education.

Baldwin-Wallace College offers a comprehensive major in art as preparation for the Multi-Age Visual Arts license. Students receive training in studio art and art history combined with teacher education. Students also must meet the state's requirements for the teaching of reading (three semesters content hours) and any other requirements established by the state. Teachers with this license teach at all grade levels.

Recommendation: This program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for a degree program leading to licensure. There were no major concerns identified in the review. Continued approval is recommended until the next national accreditation visit. In addition, it should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio endorsements and licenses continues to be met.

End of Comment Period: April 7, 2011
No comments received, recommend approval

RECOMMENDATION

The Office of Academic Quality Assurance has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Board of Regents and any applicable standards and requirements established by the Ohio State Board of Education.

 4-20-2011

Signature Date

APPROVED

 4-25-11

Jim Petro, Chancellor Date

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