

Career Exploration in the Arts!

Lesson plan grade usage:

This lesson plan is for middle school and high school students but can be adapted by the educator for any grade level.

Applicable curriculum:

Investigation into the ***Tree of Careers*** integrates into multiple curriculum usage as listed under each career.

Objective:

This lesson plan encourages students to further discuss and investigate connected areas of study and careers related to the arts field.

Tree of Careers

Review the possible classes listed that may support your interests! Explore museums and places of related employment. Ask your teachers, your guidance counselors and people who work in your field of interest about your career ideas.

Tree Of Careers



Art Careers

Graphic Design- the art of combining text and pictures in advertisements, magazines, or books. Graphic Design is essentially everywhere we look, from band posters to business logos.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, computer, business, math, geometry, advertisement.

Industrial Design- design applied to technologies and products. Industrial design can be anything from ipods/ iphones to cars.

Possible classes that may support this career: mechanical drawing, art, geometry, computer.

Commercial Art- the art created for commercial purposes, primarily advertising. It is similar to graphic design. This is the reproduction of art all around us.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, business, math, geometry, computer, advertisement

Textiles- the production of yarn and cloth for the design or manufacture of clothing. Its careers are connected to the Apparel Industry.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, business, design, chemistry.

Fine Art- creative art whose products are appreciated primarily for their imaginative, aesthetic, or intellectual content. This includes painting and drawing.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, art history, media studies.

Animation- The art of making movies with drawings, computer graphics, or photographs of static objects. This type of art includes cartoon and video games.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, art history, media studies, computer, film, theatre, photography, math.

Art Therapy- encourages people to express and understand emotions through artistic expression and through the creative process.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, psychology, health related

Art Education Instructor- someone who teaches art

Possible classes that may support this career: art, art history, careers in art, education

Photography- the art or process of producing images of objects on photosensitive surfaces, or the occupation of taking and printing photographs.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, chemistry, art history, media, photography.

Video & Film- electronic medium used in recording.

Possible classes that may support this career: film, art, media, computer, photography.

Curator- someone who researches, organizes and designs the displays in a gallery or a museum for public viewing. Also the person who cares for the art by monitoring the environment of where the art is shown or stored.

Possible classes that may support this career: media, art, art history, curatorial science, research, chemistry.

Museum Registrar - someone who catalogs the art that is in a museum, in storage, on loan and in exhibition.

Possible classes that may support this career: computer science, library science archival science, art history.

Museum Educator - someone who creates activities and lesson plans based on exhibits or museum connections for the education and enjoyment of schools, museum visits and public visits (this lesson plan is an example of what a museum educator might create!)

Possible classes that may support this career: media, art, art history, curatorial science, education, research.

Museum Director- someone who organizes the operation of the museum for present and future success.

Possible classes that may support this career: art, art history, curatorial science, business.

Pre/post museum visit lesson plan:

1. Have the students come in and sit down.
2. The educator will post the “**Tree of Careers**” on the board/wall along with the definitions of the careers.
3. State lesson objectives.
 1. By the end of the lesson, the student will be able to list two careers in art.
 2. The student will be encouraged to further investigate a career in the arts.
4. Read aloud the following instructions:

-Pull out a pencil and scrap paper

-Find an object that you like from your book bag or from the room (5 minutes)

-Write down what area of art you think went into developing this object (10 minutes)

-Ask students what they chose and why. Facilitate a discussion on how their object fits into the career tree (20-25 minutes)

-List all the careers discussed

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