The NCCU Teaching Artist Certificate Program (TACP) is an online program equipping artists with a comprehensive foundation to plan, design and implement a vast array of arts experiences for all ages. Distinctly separate from teaching licensure programs, the Teaching Artist Certificate prepares performing artists with the job-readiness tools to create auditorium performances, school residencies and cultural arts programs for schools and community-based organizations.

WHO DOES THIS PROGRAM BENEFIT?
- Artists of all disciplines who have:
  - a minimum of an associate’s degree and a background in the arts; or
  - a bachelor’s degree in an arts discipline; or
  - five years as a professional practicing artist with a high school diploma.

WHAT IS A TEACHING ARTIST?
A Teaching Artist is an active artist who chooses to develop teaching skills to achieve the fullest possible artistic engagement with audiences and who is trained to identify, activate and enhance learning through artistic experiences. Knowledge of how to design arts experiences enables an artist to open the door of art exploration for others. Cultivating personally relevant connections for audiences leads to development of arts-rich communities, bettering the lives of all citizens. With a TACP certificate earned at North Carolina Central University — earned by working with the experienced educators and veteran teaching artists on our renowned faculty experts in Music, Theatre and Dance, and Art — you will become more marketable and knowledgeable in your field. Many Teaching Artists enjoy the freedom of planning their own performance, touring or presenting schedules around school and community residencies and auditorium performances, thus maximizing their incomes as they nurture personal creativity.

QUESTIONS?
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TAC PROGRAM = 7 ONLINE COURSES
- Cooperative Learning for Teaching Artists
- Foundations in Learning Theory for Teaching Artists
- The Business of Art for Teaching Artists
- Methods and Teaching Practicum for Teaching Artists
- Arts Integration and Collaboration for Teaching Artists
- Program Management and Assessment for Teaching Artists
- Capstone Residency for Teaching Artists

IMPACT COMMUNITIES
Whether you work with your local ballet company, community choir or after-school arts program, a trained teaching artist will enhance and positively impact the cultural climate of a community.

ENHANCE YOUR WORK
Teaching Artists report that working as an artist in communities and in schools reinforces what they know about their art and reveals new areas of creativity, elevating them to new levels of artistry!

GET CERTIFIED!
Then Go Change the World...
The NCCU Teaching Artist Certificate Program is designed to be completed in one year, including fall, spring and summer semesters. A new cohort begins each fall, and the courses are designed to be cumulative. Courses in the program are taken online to conveniently support your busy schedule as an artist and provide an opportunity to build skills and capacity for career development. For the final course of the program, we will assist you in selecting a site to complete your Capstone Residency in a real-world setting, such as a school or community-based organization.

A 2-STEP REGISTRATION:

Step 1:
Apply to NCCU as a certificate-seeking student (currently enrolled students can skip this step) at www.nccu.edu/apply. Click on “Start the Online Undergraduate Application Now” and submit your information.

Step 2:
Complete the Teaching Artist Certificate Program application at nccu.submittable.com/submit and submit your portfolio of work.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PORTFOLIO
A TACP portfolio should have:
- Completed TACP Application
- Artistic Statement
  (A) Why you are interested in the TACP
  (B) Who are you as an artist?
- Professional resume (1-2 pages)
- Letter of Recommendation from someone familiar with your professional work
- Work samples and samples list
- $35 nonrefundable application fee

NOTE: Application fee is waived for Fall 2017 applicants.

SHARE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT YOUR ART
Your passion and experience is a doorway for others! Teaching Artists facilitate learning through the arts by teaching audiences how to interpret and understand works of art, to investigate creative origins inspiring works of art and to recognize cultural nuances represented in works of art.

DESIGN ARTS EXPERIENCES
Research has shown that 21st-century education design must meet the needs of diverse audiences from many cultural backgrounds. At NCCU, our TACP is designed to cultivate a diverse and qualified pool of Teaching Artists to meet this growing need by developing arts experiences designed to serve a wide range of multicultural audiences.

WHY TEACHING ARTISTS?
“Not because we expect our students to major in music; Not because we expect them to paint or dance all their lives; Not only so they can relax; Not only so they can have fun; But so they will be more human; So they will recognize beauty; So they will be sensitive; So they will be closer to an infinite beyond this world; So they will have something to cling to; So they will have more love, more compassion, more gentleness, more good — in short, more Life. Of what value will it be to make a prosperous living unless you know how to live? — William “Butch” Standerfer