Mission Statement

As an essential part of a dynamic and growing urban campus, the School of Art and Design at Wichita State University engages students through a broad-based program incorporating sustained scholarship and creativity in the fine and applied arts. Through an environment that encourages intellectual development, critical awareness, and expressive excellence, the School provides students and faculty with the tools necessary to be lifelong learners and creators in local, national and global communities.

Vision Statement

The School of Art and Design seeks to be at the forefront of changing art and design practices and discourses in the twenty-first century. Implicit in this goal is the preservation of the School’s core program integrity in the areas of graphic design, art education, studio arts, and art history. In keeping with established standards of excellence in university art and design programs, these fields of study are critical to the success of students at all levels. The future carries with it several challenges to the effective teaching of and research in art and design—specifically the need for an interdisciplinary curriculum, technology-based practices and methodologies, and multicultural and global perspectives.