

Creative Arts Experience (CAE)
Co-Curricular**Description**

Students are required to attend twelve approved Creative Arts Experiences with at least two events from each of the following categories: Art, Film, Music, Theatre, and Literature/World Cultures.¹

Core Curriculum Objectives

1. Foster artistic literacy and human empathy by exposing students to a wide variety of creative arts events on the Baylor campus and with Baylor-sponsored programs.
2. Allow for maturation and growth in a student's appreciation of creative arts events through immersion over an extended period of time.
3. Develop a student's understanding of the norms of interaction at creative arts events in order to encourage lifelong patronage of the arts.

Criteria

- Credit hours: required, no credit
- Course level: N/A
- Department or Departments responsible for teaching course: Departments/Units with quality creative arts events pre-approved by the Creative Arts Experience (CAE) Committee and willing to follow procedures for documentation of student attendance.

Justification

- The Creative Arts Experience is a creativity companion piece to the Fine Arts/Performing Arts Distribution List. These quality creative arts events (12 total in a 4---year residency)² will “provide meaningful experiences with art and literature,” giving students multiple opportunities to attend artistic and culture events, practice “critical language for discussing [fine arts] and literature,” and develop “skills for articulating their informed response to such works.”

¹ Events will be pre-approved as “CAE eligible” on a rolling basis by a six-member Creative Arts Experiences Committee appointed by the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, made up of faculty representatives from the Art, English, Film and Digital Media, Modern Languages and Cultures, Theatre Arts, and the School of Music. Of the twelve creative arts events, two must be in each of the areas of Art, Music, Theatre, Film, or Literature/World Cultures. The final two events may come from any category.

² The CAE requirement is prorated as follows: Students entering Baylor with 30 hours receive two event credits. Students entering Baylor with 60 hours receive six event credits.