Tyler School of Art

Tyler School of Art has a preeminent reputation among institutions of higher education chiefly as a result of the collective record of achievement produced by its graduates. Tyler graduate programs are intended for students whose work has achieved strong definition and who seek continued growth and education in their discipline. Internationally recognized graduate faculty bring a reputation for excellence in academic research, studio practice, and teaching with a broad range of attitudes and philosophic positions. The educational atmosphere at Tyler is characterized by a system of mentorship that encourages diversity, respect for individual direction, and a rigorous exchange of ideas and creative challenges.

The philosophy on which Tyler School of Art was founded has contributed to the school’s success. Since 1935, Tyler has grown from a small art school in suburban Elkins Park, PA, to encompass a wide range of programs on the Main Campus of Temple University. Stella Elkins Tyler, the donor of the estate on which the art school was founded, had a keen interest in progressive education and a deep appreciation of her mentor: Boris Blai, sculptor, who was appointed the founding dean of the school. It was her expressed wish that the estate become an environment for the advancement of the fine arts, scholarly study in the arts, and individual creativity.

In December 2015, Tyler School of Art became home to the Departments of Community and Regional Planning (now the Department of Planning and Community Development) and of Landscape Architecture and Horticulture, which previously resided in the School of Environmental Design. These two departments, along with Tyler’s Department of Architecture, now form the Division of Architecture and Environmental Design. For more information on the Division, including the programs offered therein, visit http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler-div/.

Today, Tyler School of Art constitutes a major facet in a comprehensive set of arts programs at Temple University. Tyler School of Art educates, motivates, and inspires individuals who enter society as artists, architects, art historians, designers, and educators with the highest aspirations for achievement, producing innovative work that is publicly presented and critically considered. The school’s location in the Northeast Corridor not only makes the extensive art collections and institutions of Philadelphia, New York City, and Washington, D.C. easily accessible, but also allows for opportunities to complement Tyler’s faculty with an extensive program of visiting artists, critics, and scholars drawn from these cultural centers.

A Tyler education distinguishes its students as individuals who are well prepared for the unprecedented opportunities available today in the fields of architecture, art, and design.

Programs

Degree Programs and Certificates

- Art Education, M.Ed. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/art-education-med)
- Art History, M.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/art-history-ma)
- Art History, Ph.D. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/art-history-phd)
- Ceramics/Glass, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/ceramics-glass-mfa)
- Fibers and Materials Studies, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/fibers-materials-studies-mfa)
- Graphic and Interactive Design, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/graphic-interactive-design-mfa)
- Illustration, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/illustration-mfa)
- Painting, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/painting-mfa)
- Photography, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/photography-mfa)
- Printmaking, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/printmaking-mfa)
- Sculpture, M.F.A. (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/sculpture-mfa)
- Graduate Certificate: Arts in Community (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler/arts-in-community-certificate)

Division of Architecture and Environmental Design (http://bulletin.temple.edu/graduate/scd/tyler-div/)

- Architecture, M.Arch.
- City and Regional Planning, M.S.
- Landscape Architecture, M.L.Arch.
- Graduate Certificate: Sustainable Community Planning
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