

# ART EDUCATION

## MA/PHD THESIS SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

Full-time permanent faculty in Art Education at Concordia University members, holding a terminal degree, and who hold the rank of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, or Professor are eligible to supervise students. Other faculty members who meet the criteria established by the department with which they are affiliated, which usually entail substantial and relevant research accomplishments, may be nominated by the Graduate Program Director to the School of Graduate Studies for approval.

Part-time faculty and LTA appointments do not serve on supervisory committees in Art Education.

**Master's:** The supervisory committee consists of a minimum of three members. In addition to the supervisor in Art Education, a minimum of one full-time faculty member from the Department of Art Education must serve on the committee. A third member may be a faculty member from outside of Art Education, or from another university. All members are expected to hold a doctorate degree or terminal degree as appropriate.

When the thesis is ready for examination, only supervisory committee members are required.

**PhD:** The supervisor must be from Art Education, and one additional member is expected to be from within the Department on a doctoral committee. A third member may be an active faculty member holding a doctorate, from another department, or from outside of the university.

When the dissertation is ready for examination, additional members will be required for the oral exam.

### **Expert committee membership**

On a case by case basis, committee membership may be adjusted with justification of expertise required for the research project undertaken by a graduate student.

For Art Education, this membership could include a host of experts with or without terminal degrees, such as a professor emeritus, a First Nations Elder, a master teacher, and/or related artist, researcher, teacher experts. Appointment requires approval from the Department and SGS.

It is expected students will follow the appropriate protocols when forming an expert committee with a First Nations Elder: <https://www.concordia.ca/about/indigenous/elder-and-community-protocols.html>

Expert committee membership requires an email from the Supervisor to the GPD outlining the following:

- Justification on why the expert is needed
- How the expert will contribute to the research thesis
- What role the expert will perform on the committee
- The expert's background/qualifications as it relates to the research study

Once confirmed by the GPD, the request is forwarded to the School of Graduate Studies. The School of Graduate Studies approves all such requests.

NOTE: No honorarium is provided for supervisory committee service.