

INFORMATION AND POLICY GUIDE

IMPORTANT: Review the following information prior to your first class. By registering for a CE class or event, you agree to abide by the policies and regulations detailed in this document.

BASIC INFORMATION

Contact Us:

Please don't hesitate to contact us for questions, concerns, or course advice. *(Please note: The CE office is closed due to COVID-19 restrictions; staff are working remotely to provide assistance.)*

- **PHONE:** 215-972-7632 (Please leave a message with an email address for a response.)
- **EMAIL:** continuinged@pafa.edu
- **ONLINE:** Visit www.pafa.org/ce for the latest information about classes, events and special offers

Dates to Remember:

- Spring Registration Deadline: January 8
- Spring Classes Begin: January 19
- Spring Classes End: April 12

Note: Spring Break will not be observed as no classes meet on-campus.

ACADEMIC CREDIT

PAFA is accredited through the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) and the Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE). PAFA is a member of the Association of Independent Colleges of Art and Design (AICAD).

Undergraduate Credit

Courses meeting contact hour requirements (30 hours minimum, not including lunch breaks) are available for 1.0 or 1.5 undergraduate credits (see course descriptions for credit options). If taken for credit, you may incur additional coursework, and will receive a course grade and appropriate credit that will appear on an official PAFA transcript, if requested. For an official transcript, please submit a completed Transcript Request Form (www.pafa.org/transcripts) to PAFA's School Registrar with appropriate payment. Email pmedwick@pafa.edu for more information.

Changes in credit status for must be arranged through the CE office **prior to the third class for courses 12-weeks or longer**, and **prior to the second class for courses that run 10 weeks or fewer**. No refunds can be issued for changes from credit to non-credit.

Credit for K – 12 Educators

PAFA is approved to provide Pennsylvania Act 48 hours and New Jersey Department of Education Professional Development Credit for courses and workshops. Courses need not be taken for PAFA undergraduate academic credit to be eligible for professional development credit hours (see credit options and tuition pricing on individual courses). Educators interested in receiving PA Act 48 or NJ Professional Development Credit must contact Michael Kowbuz, Director of Continuing Education Programs, at mkowbuz@pafa.edu prior to registration to determine the eligible credit hours for their selected class(es). PA educators must provide their six-digit Professional Educator Identification Number.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Teens in grades 9 – 12 are encouraged to enroll in PAFA's Pre-College Programs (www.pafa.org/highschool). High school students aged 15 years or older may register in Continuing Education adult courses/programs with parent/guardian permission.

WITHDRAWALS AND REFUNDS

Withdrawals must be made in writing via email (continuinged@pafa.edu) to the Continuing Education Programs office. A \$25 administrative fee will be assessed per dropped course, \$50 per Master Class and \$10 per workshop. Tuition refunds will be adjusted according to the following schedule*:

Full-Semester Multiple-Week Courses – 10 and 12 Weeks or Longer

Prior to one week before the 1st class: 100%
After the above, prior to the 2nd class: 75%
After the above, prior to the 3rd class: 50%
After the above: No Refunds

Short/Condensed Multiple-Week Courses – 8 Weeks or Shorter

Prior to one week before the 1st class: 100%
After the above, prior to the 2nd class: 50%
After the above: No Refunds

Workshops (1 – 3 Day Courses, other than Master Classes)

Prior to one week before the first class: 100%
After the above, prior to the first class: 75%
After the above: No Refunds

Master Classes

Prior to one week before the first class: 100%
After the above, prior to the first class: 75%
After the above: No Refunds

**Your health, and that of the entire PAFA community, is our priority: If COVID-19 health risk concerns or illness prevent, or make inadvisable, attendance or completion of course work, please do not hesitate to contact us to cancel your class, and we will accommodate you as best we can.*

COURSE CANCELLATIONS

If minimum enrollment is not met, a class will be cancelled on, or shortly after, its registration deadline. Students will be notified by email and may choose to transfer into another class or receive a full tuition and fee refund. Early registration helps prevent course cancellation!

TUITION DISCOUNTS AND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES*

- **Membership Discounts** – PAFA is pleased to extend a **special discount on Spring 2021 Continuing Education courses for members at all levels**, a benefit typically reserved for members at the Friend level and above. For information about becoming a member, visit www.pafa.org/join.
- **Referral Discounts** – Refer a first-time Continuing Education student, and you and the student will receive a 10% tuition discount on one regular course or workshop within the current semester (Master Classes excluded). Email continuinged@pafa.edu to provide the name of the student you referred; CE will verify the registration and provide a discount code or tuition refund for the discount amount.
- **CE Community Scholarships** – Available by application to assist students who demonstrate financial need and dedication to their art. Scholarships are applicable toward one regular course or workshop within the current semester (Master Classes excluded). Apply online at <https://www.pafa.org/school/academics/continuing-education/discounts>. Application deadline: **January 8**. Email mkowbuz@pafa.edu for questions.
- **High School Student Scholarships** – Available to assist students enrolling in Pre-College Saturday Classes. Visit <https://www.pafa.org/highschool-saturdays> for more information. Email sfishman@pafa.edu for questions.

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SCHOOL POLICIES

Complete information about the policies, procedures, and services offered at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, including general campus policies, expanded classroom regulations, disciplinary procedures, and sexual harassment and misconduct policies and resources is outlined in the PAFA Student Regulations and Policies, are located at <https://www.pafa.org/school/student-life/student-policies-procedures>.

By registering for a Continuing Education class or event, you agree to abide by the CE policies and regulations detailed in this document and by school guidelines. Please take the time to consult/review this important information prior to your first day of class. Failure to comply with these policies and procedures may result in disciplinary action and possible dismissal with forfeiture of tuition and fees.

For up-to-date information precautions, concerns, and opening plans relating to COVID-19, including any changes in PAFA's usual operations, see <https://www.pafa.org/news/coronavirus-information-resources>.

PHOTO AND VIDEO IMAGE RELEASE POLICY

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