



The Pennsylvania Department of Education has received notice that the Art Institute of Pittsburgh has closed.

The following information is provided to assist students with plans for continuing their education.

A published statement from the institute's accreditor, The Middle States Commission on Higher Education, may be found at <https://www.msche.org/msche-statement-on-the-sudden-closure-of-the-art-institute-of-pittsburgh/>.

The institute has published a list of partner institutions at <https://www.dcedh.org/partner-institutions>.

The United States Department of Education (USDOE) offers opportunities for students to apply for a closed school loan discharge. Additional information is available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/closed-school>. Students may also visit <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/about/announcements/closed-school> and <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/about/announcements/dream-center>.

The Federal Student Aid School Closure portal for the Art Institute of Pittsburgh is available at StudentAid.gov/closures. Information on the closure is available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/about/announcements/dream-center>.

USDOE is hosting interactive webinars for students to share information and address questions and concerns starting March 19, 2019. Information to participate in these webinars is available at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/dream-center-webinars.pdf>.

Students who have received Veteran Benefits should visit the Department of Veterans Affairs website at <https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/fgib/restoration.asp>.

The Art Institute is now directing transcript requests to be submitted to The Art Institutes International, LLC. Previous requests to Dream Center Holdings are not being processed and new requests must be submitted.

The Arts Institutes International, LLC, is now providing transcript services for the closed Ai Campuses. Because of this change, previous requests that were made through the former site cannot be accessed or honored. The registrar will provide Official Transcripts only. There is a \$15 charge per transcript for this service. Checks and money orders will be accepted. Checks should be made payable to: The Arts Institutes International, LLC.

To request an official transcript, please print and complete the Transcript Request Form (PDF) and send the completed form to:

The Arts Institutes International, LLC
ATTN: Academic Operations Department
615 McMichael Rd
Pittsburgh, PA 15205

Furthermore, the institute has directed students to visit <https://www.artinstitutes.edu/closed-school-information-page> to find additional contact information, details, and instructions on the following:

- Transcript requests
- Career Services Assistance
- Enrollment verification
- Diploma requests
- Financial requests
- Account balance inquiries
- 1098-T form (for tax purposes)
- Contacts for other questions and inquiries

Students may also contact the following institutions for transfer options:

- Douglas Education Center – Monessen, PA – (724) 684-3684
- Pittsburgh Technical College – Oakdale, PA – (412) 809-5100
- Point Park University – Pittsburgh, PA – (412) 391-4100
- Robert Morris University – Moon Township, PA – (412) 262-8200
- La Roche University – Pittsburgh, PA – (412) 367-9300
- Edinboro College – Edinboro, PA – (814) 732-2000
- Chatham University – Pittsburgh, PA – (412) 365-1100
- Waynesburg University – Waynesburg, PA – (724) 627-8191
- Youngstown State University – Butler, PA – (330) 941-3000
- University of the Arts – Philadelphia, PA – (215) 717-6000

PDE will continue to update this information as more details become available.