



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 has directed students to visit <https://www.artinstitutes.edu/pittsburgh/academic-catalog> for academic transcripts. Financial ledgers should be available through the student portal as well.

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.