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Quick Facts

- The 18-hour certificate program is designed for entry-level workers in non-profit arts organizations who seek to begin their careers or who want to enhance their effectiveness as arts administration professionals.
- The program includes 18 weekend sessions, spread out over two years of part-time enrollment. Classes meet one weekend each month, starting in September and concluding in May.



Andrew Vorder Bruegge

ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA – Winthrop University will now offer a **graduate certificate in arts administration** beginning this fall.

Approved by the [S.C. Commission on Higher Education](#), the certificate program is directed by [Andrew Vorder Bruegge](#), who also directs the Master of Arts degree in Arts Administration.

The **18-hour certificate program** is designed for entry-level workers in non-profit arts organizations who seek to begin their careers or who want to enhance their effectiveness as arts administration professionals. Offered on weekends and online, the program allows students to develop their professional skills without compromising their family and career obligations.

The program includes **18 weekend sessions**, spread out over two years of part-time enrollment. Classes meet one weekend each month, starting in September and concluding in May. In the weeks between each module, students and faculty members connect online to develop assignments, share ideas and reflect upon assigned readings.

Topics covered include lessons on leadership and governance, marketing, sustainability, legal and ethical issues, and finance/budgeting, as well as visits to area non-profit art organizations.

The certificate program will offer an **emphasis on collaborative projects and collaborative work** so that students can learn team work and networking skills. Credits earned in the certificate program can be applied towards a master of arts degree in arts administration at Winthrop, according to Vorder Bruegge.

[The application process is online.](#)

Applicants should:

1. Hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution;
2. Have an overall undergraduate grade-point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
3. Have at least one year of work experience (professional or volunteer) in a non-profit arts/cultural environment;
4. Submit an essay describing their background in a non-profit arts/cultural environment and their reasons for pursuing this degree program;
5. Submit a current curriculum vitae; and
6. Submit two letters of recommendation. Recommendations from arts and/or academic professionals are preferred.

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