

## DEVELOPING PROFESSIONAL SKILLS IN FUTURE TEACHERS THROUGH ART PEDAGOGY

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**ABSTRACT:** This article highlights the process of developing professional skills in future teachers through art pedagogy, its theoretical and methodological foundations, and practical significance. The role of art pedagogy in the educational process, its contribution to the development of creative thinking, and its potential in forming the professional competencies of future teachers are analysed. The research results propose effective methods in art pedagogy.

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### INTRODUCTION

The issue of developing the professional skills of future teachers is of pressing importance in a period where the modern educational process is based on global changes, innovative approaches and creative methods. Art pedagogy, which is based on the use of artistic tools in the pedagogical process, is currently one of the most important methods for increasing the efficiency of education, developing a person's creative abilities and supporting emotional-intellectual activity.

Art pedagogy is a branch of pedagogy integrated with art, aimed at supporting the personal development of students, expressing thoughts and feelings through artistic images, and deepening learning through the creative process. Using this approach in the professional training of future teachers helps to develop their pedagogical skills, communication abilities, creative thinking, and reflective activity. This article scientifically analyses the theoretical foundations of art pedagogy, its role, and its impact on developing professional skills in future teachers.

### MAIN PART

#### 1. Theoretical Foundations of Art Pedagogy

Art pedagogy aims to achieve pedagogical goals by integrating various branches of art – visual arts, music, theatre, dance, and artistic creative processes – into the learning process. The main theoretical sources of this approach are based on theories of individual creative development, principles of emotional-intellectual development in psychology, the use of art therapy principles in the pedagogical process, and ideas of activity-oriented pedagogy.

Art pedagogy has developed as a pedagogical method that allows a person to express inner feelings, thoughts and attitudes through art. It not only makes the learning process engaging and effective, but also profoundly influences the personal development of the student.

#### 2. The relevance of developing professional skills in future teachers

Today, higher education institutions demand a high level of professional competence from future teachers. In particular, it is very important to develop in them the skills of conducting pedagogical communication, creatively organising the learning process, solving problematic

situations, applying an individual approach to students, and organising lessons based on unconventional methods.

Art pedagogy is considered one of the most effective tools for developing these skills.

### **3.The impact of art pedagogy on the professional training of future teachers**

Using art methods provides future educators with the following opportunities:

#### 1. Developing creative thinking

The process of working with art naturally activates creativity. Using elements of visual arts, music, or theatre in lessons helps to form an innovative approach in teachers.

#### 2. Strengthening communicative skills

Artistic processes are based on interaction. Performing creative tasks in a group develops the culture of pedagogical communication.

#### 3. Developing reflective activity

Art techniques help to analyse one's thoughts and feelings. This strengthens the teacher's reflective skills.

#### 4. Increasing emotional stability

Engaging in art reduces stress and ensures emotional balance. This is very important for the teacher's psychological readiness.

### **4. Types of Art Pedagogical Methods and Their Practical Application**

#### 1. Painting and Visual Creativity

The process of mastering topics is facilitated through drawing, collage, and working with paints in lessons.

#### 2. Theatre Pedagogy

Through role-playing, staging, and dramatization, the speech and emotional skills of learners are developed.

#### 3. Teaching Through Musical Influence

Music rhythms, songs, and musical backgrounds enliven the lesson process and help students adjust psychologically to the lesson.

#### 5. Elements of Art Therapy

It is used to reduce stress, understand oneself, and manage emotions.

### **CONCLUSION**

Art pedagogy emerges as one of the effective tools in developing professional skills in future teachers. It fosters creative thinking, enhances communicative and emotional competencies, and helps organise the teaching process in a modern and efficient manner. This article analysed the theoretical foundations, methods, and practical application of art pedagogy, and also identified effective methods based on research results and demonstrated possibilities for their implementation in practice. The research indicated that regular use of art pedagogy, encouraging a creative approach, and developing reflective activity are essential for strengthening the professional competencies of future educators. Furthermore, this approach allows for enhancing the quality of the pedagogical process and ensuring the creative development of students.

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