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## **Position Statement on the Value of Collaborative Research** **[Adopted March 2015; Reviewed and Revised March 2018; Reviewed and Revised April 2023]**

NAEA believes collaborative research strengthens teaching and learning in the visual arts, design, and media arts in a range of educational settings.- Collaborative research encompasses a range of methodologies and approaches involving researchers, practitioners, and other collaborative teams.. Collaborations are strengthened across interdisciplinary connections illuminating the role of the visual arts in the lives of individuals.

The complexity of issues in visual arts education today requires frameworks for collaborative research that address shared educational concerns, opportunities, practice, and policy making.

Research networks across membership and disciplines provides an accessible means of identifying research topics and trends, furthering understanding and heightening the impact of visual arts education programs in all settings.

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