The study of visual art is beneficial to all students in that it develops creativity, critical thinking, and problem solving skills, which are universal to any career choice. As a career path, the study of visual art can lead to employment in a variety of fields. Some of these paths require a college degree while others do not. Some career options for those interested in the study of visual arts include:

- Art Educator
- Art Dealer
- Art Auctioneer
- Art Historian
- Museum Exhibit Designer or curator
- Graphic Designer
- Interior Designer
- Cake Decorator
- Courtroom or Police Sketch Artist
- Cartoonist or Caricaturis
- Floral Designer
- Tattoo Artist
- Screen Printer
- Sculptor of 3D Modeler
- Logo Designer
- Glass Blower
- Storyboard Artist
- Book Illustrator or Cover Designer
- Forensic Artist
- Web Designer
- Set Designer
- Comic Book Illustrator/Designer
- Medical Illustrator
- Layout Artist