

Fall 2022
ART 3300 || Composition and Design
T/Th Room 101
University of Texas, Tyler
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COURSE REQUIREMENTS

This course is a continued study of the visual structure and organization of two-dimensional and three-dimensional space, with an emphasis on digital and time-based media as applied to concepts. In addition to building on the vocabulary of art and design, this course will utilize a variety of media and technology as students explore how digital technology applies to design concepts and resulting artworks.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES THROUGH THIS COURSE

1. Technical proficiency: The student will develop and assemble a technically proficient body of art work that demonstrates technical proficiency within his or her chosen concentration (2D or 3D), as well as general proficiency in the greater arena of all mediums.
2. Conceptually proficiency: The student will develop and assemble a conceptually proficient body of art work that demonstrates conceptual proficiency within his or her chosen concentration (2D or 3D), as well as general proficiency in the greater arena of all mediums.
3. Historical context: The student will develop an understanding of how his or her work relates to art history.
4. Contemporary trends: The student will develop an understanding of how his or her work relates to current trends in contemporary art.
5. Written analysis: The student will engage in written critical analysis of their artwork.
6. Verbal analysis: The student will engage in critical verbal analysis of their artwork.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Attendance is mandatory. After 2 absences (2 sick days) you may be dropped a full letter grade from your semester GPA, at 4 absences students may fail the course! Continual tardiness will also have an effect on the overall grade. If you are more than 30 minutes late to class (or if you leave 30 minutes early), you will be marked absent. If you are unprepared for class you will be marked absent. Being late is walking into class 5 minutes after start time. Being tardy or leaving early up to three times is equal to one absence. If you are absent on critique day, you may fail that assignment, if you are absent on midterm critique you may be dropped a letter grade from your GPA or if you are absent final critique day, you may fail the class

Please note that all university policies are accessible online and if you have any questions feel free to reach out to myself or the appropriate department.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE

Class time may consist of critiques, writing assignments, reading assignments, quizzes, gallery visits, and open studio work time. Please utilize your time and my time well in the studio space by staying off of technology unless permitted. You may use headphones during workdays, but you should be able to still hear in the case of an emergency of an accident.

Students who do not use studio time wisely will be marked absent and have additional work added to their required load. Students who exhibit disruptive behavior will be asked to leave the class and/or will be expelled from the course altogether. Some (but not all) examples of disruptive behavior include habitual lateness or leaving early, an extensively sloppy studio space, interrupting or talking during class instruction or discussion when not in turn and failure to maintain proper classroom safety and etiquette.

PROJECTS

*A tentative schedule of projects is provided.

*Professor retains the right to change the schedule for any purpose. It is up to each student to stay informed of all changes.

*Final Portfolio Due by Thursday, December 1st in class for individual critiques. Upload as a PowerPoint and a PDF into corresponding folder in CANVAS. Must include all projects.

*Sketchbook Journal: Kept up to date weekly. It is vital that you have a sketchbook to keep all ideas and maintain an active artistic practice.

*Digital Images: Portfolio is to include images of all projects and uploaded as a PowerPoint and a PDF into the corresponding folder in CANVAS.

GRADING PROCESS

The student is graded on his or her dedication and output in completing the course objectives. Attendance, studio work ethic, execution, and quality of project, 3 assignments, quizzes, critique methods, any additional visual journal or writing assignments. Students are encouraged to ask questions and are expected to commit outside time.

Please note: By simply completing the above listed requirements, you may earn the average letter grade of C. You must go above and beyond the basic requirements of the course to earn yourself a grade that is above and beyond average.

Numeric to Letter Grade Translation: 100 - 90% = A 89 - 80% = B 79 - 70% = C 69 - 60% = D 59 - 0% = F 20% quizzes 10% critique methods 70% assignments. The breakdown for grading will be outline on Canvas for you to access as all assignments in their categories are broken down.

Grading Breakdown

Projects- 65%

Smaller In Class Assignments- 15%

Critiques- 10%

Attendance- 10%

*It is expected that you attend all gallery openings and any art lectures (unless excused)

*Students will have 24 hour access every day of the week once any online safety trainings are completed/approved and Art Student Safety Agreements have been signed and completed/approved. Students working after hours must always have their UT Tyler student ID on them at all times.

Friends and family members who are not enrolled in studio courses are not allowed in studio spaces after hours. Please note that any abuse of access privileges will result in the loss of after-hour studio access. Please report any suspicious behavior immediately to campus police!

*Clean up is an imperative part of this class. You are expected to do your part in keeping the classroom organized, safe, and flowing smoothly! Policy of clean up will be discussed with the class on a case-by-case basis.

2022 STUDIO SAFETY AND ACCESS INFORMATION

Facility Access & Studio Lab Safety and Mechanical Safety Training Studio facility access is for enrolled students only. Students are required to use appropriate safety equipment (PPE) and practice safe operation procedures when using any hazardous equipment or materials. All students must successfully complete the lab safety training and mechanical safety training and quizzes on Canvas and complete an Art Safety Agreement through Canvas before after-hours access to the complex is granted. Failure to adhere to the terms of the Art Safety Agreement will result in the loss studio facility access. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) For your safety, you must follow all safety requirements established by the department and university. It is required that you provide you own Personal Protective Equipment for use in studio areas. This equipment includes dust mask with at least a N95 rating and attached filter, safety glasses, ear protection, gloves, close-toed shoes, and appropriate clothing. Failure to use this equipment while working may result in the loss of studio privileges.

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