

University of Texas – Tyler

ART 1301.061

INTRODUCTION TO ART

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

ART 1301.061 is an introductory course that explores the world of art. Students will develop a fundamental knowledge of vocabulary, media, and art techniques that will ultimately inform the observation, classification, and understanding of artwork from various cultures. Through a thematic and cultural approach, students will become familiar with historical and contemporary artists and their artworks.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

This course aims to provide students with an introduction to art and art history. It intends to cultivate visual literacy through online PowerPoint lectures, readings, online assignments, group discussions, written assignments, quizzes, and exams via Canvas. Although this course is entirely online, it is important that a positive learning environment and community is established. As a result, students will not only value the opinions of peers, but also develop a deeper understanding of and appreciation for the arts. Core course SLO's are found below.

By the end of this course, students should be able to:

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- **THINK CRITICALLY:** Critical thinking skills include (but are not limited to) creative thinking, innovation, inquiry and analysis, the evaluation and synthesis of information.
- **COMMUNICATE ABOUT ART:** Communication skills include (but are not limited to) the effective development, interpretation and expression of ideas through written, oral, and visual communication.
- **WORK IN TEAMS:** Teamwork skills include (but are not limited to) the ability to consider different points of view and to work effectively with others to achieve a common goal.
- **BE SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE BY UNDERSTANDING ART WITHIN CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL CONTEXTS:** Social responsibility skills include (but are not limited to) recognizing the historical importance of an object, building, or place and the necessity of its

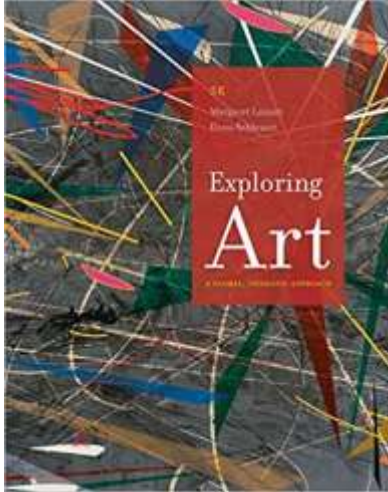
preservation and developing intercultural competence, knowledge of civic responsibility, and the ability to engage effectively in regional, national, and global communities.

REQUIRED TEXT

Margaret Lazzari and Dona Schlesier. *Exploring Art, A Global, Thematic Approach*, 5th Edition
Boston: Cengage Learning, 2015.

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COURSE PREREQUISITES

There are no prerequisites for this course.

CANVAS

All material required to complete this course is available through Canvas: including syllabus, course calendar, modules, assignments, guided questions, group discussions, quizzes, and exams.

Students should do the following:

- Maintain a level of professionalism and respect for instructor, classmates, and course content.
- Make sure they are able to login to the course on Canvas using their UT Tyler username and password.
- Make sure they have access to Adobe Acrobat Reader (PDF), Flash Media Player, Microsoft Word, and PowerPoint (or PowerPoint Viewer).
- Read the syllabus.
- Read the course calendar.
- Familiarize themselves with the netiquette guidelines for online interactions.
- Familiarize themselves with the course content on Canvas.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Canvas offers 24/7 Support on the Student Canvas Dashboard under the Help icon. There, students will find a list of various support options:



*If students have trouble logging into Canvas, they should contact UT Tyler IT Support:

- Off Campus - (903) 565-5555
- On Campus - Ext. 5555
- itsupport@patriots.uttyler.edu

COURSE CALENDAR

A link to the course calendar can be found on the Home page. Students may also use the Calendar feature on Canvas to find due dates for assignments, quizzes, writing and research assignments, group project, and exams.

REQUIRED TECHNOLOGY AND PROFICIENCY

Minimum Technology Requirements: Students will need access to a computer with a high-speed internet connection. IMPORTANT: IP and hardware problems are not excuses for missing deadlines and submission of assignments. Students can access Canvas on the UT-Tyler campus in the Computer Lab and Library.

Minimum Student Skills: This course utilizes digital resources in Canvas. Students must know how to use Microsoft Word and Canvas. Students must be able to download and upload complete files (doc, docx, or pdf) with text and images, attach documents to emails, and download and upload documents to the assignment tool.

Be aware that not all functions of your Canvas course may be available on smart phones or tablets. You must have a computer and know the software to complete the course.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION

Active participation in class is required. Intro to Art is an online course. Attendance is marked based on students' participation in online assignments, group discussions, writing and research assignments, quizzes, and exams.

The Census Date is Friday, September 4, 2020.

ONLINE ASSIGNMENTS

There will be ten online assignments throughout the semester. Assignments will be short response entries, guided questions, or group discussions that expand on weekly content. Online Assignments will be worth 20 points each.

QUIZZES

There will be four quizzes. Quizzes are designed to ensure comprehension of course content and help in preparation for the exams. Quizzes are worth 50 points each.

GROUP PROJECT

There will be one group project in which students will engage in teamwork to complete an art-related project. Instructions will be available in advance clearly stating guidelines and requirements. Students must also complete a Teamwork Assessment Survey. The group project is worth 100 points.

WRITING ASSIGNMENT

There will be one writing assignment in which students will select an artwork to research and develop a content analysis. Instructions will be available in advance clearly stating guidelines, requirements, and grading rubric. The writing assignment is worth 100 points.

EXAMS

There will be four exams. The final, fourth exam will NOT be cumulative. There will be absolutely no late submissions, make-ups, or re-takes. A missed exam will automatically lower the student's final grade by 20%.

Exams will cover vocabulary and concepts covered in the readings, lectures, additional handouts, and online assignments. Exam format will be multiple choice, short answer, and essay. Exams are worth 100 points each.

Final Exam Due: **Wednesday, December 9, 2020**

Failing to follow the Netiquette guidelines in any aspect of this course will result in an F in the class irrespective of the grade achieved in exams or other assignments in the course.

LATE SUBMISSION POLICY

*** LATE ASSIGNMENTS, QUIZZES, AND EXAMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.*** All assignments, quizzes, and exams must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on the assigned due dates.

GRADING POLICY

Students will be evaluated by performance on graded assignments as follows:

Percentage of Final Grade

Assignment	Percent of Final Grade
Online Assignments	20%
Quizzes	20%
Group Project	5%
Writing Assignment	15%
Exams	40%

POINT BREAKDOWN

Online Assignments	10 assignments at 20 points each	200 points
Quizzes	4 quizzes at 50 points each	200 points
Group Project	1 assignment at 100 points	100 points
Writing Assignment	1 assignment at 100 points	100 points
Exams	4 exams at 100 points each	400 points
		Total: 1000 points

Grades will be posted on Canvas. Students are responsible for checking online to ensure that their grades have posted and are correct.

CONVERSION CHART FROM PERCENTAGES TO LETTER GRADES:

Letter Grade	Numerical Score
A	90 - 100
B	80 - 89
C	70 - 79
D	60 - 69
F	59 and below

E-MAIL POLICY

Students may direct questions to the professor via her University email address. Emails are a form of professional correspondence. Be polite and respectful.

- All e-mails should be addressed to Dr. Magnusen, who will respond to emails in a timely fashion. However, this does not mean one should expect an instantaneous reply; the professor will respond as quickly as possible.
- Dr. Magnusen will check and respond to emails during the work week, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Please allow 24 hours for a response.
- Please use formal email etiquette when contacting the professor.

- Students should identify themselves and the class in their emails.
- Emails should include a subject. If there is no subject, the email may be classified as spam.
- Do not use slang/text-message language in the email as they can create misunderstandings.
- Students should only use their UT Tyler email address or Canvas via Inbox feature.
- Students should check the Syllabus or Course Calendar on Canvas before sending an email.
- Students should not comment on a specific assignment, quiz, or exam within Canvas because it will not receive a response.

If students have questions or concerns, they should directly contact instructor via appropriate avenues listed above.

Students should ensure they are able to receive emails via Canvas. Please note that grades are not sent to students via e-mail (this includes the final grade for the course). Grades are posted on Canvas.

Students who have questions or concerns about grades may visit the professor during office hours or make an appointment.

ETIQUETTE

Be polite, professional, and respectful with online comments. This does not mean that students cannot disagree with one another or challenge each other's ideas. Debate is encouraged but students should treat each other with respect. No insults or name calling! Students should use evidence, facts, and logic to support their assertions.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

All cheating and/or plagiarism will be treated with the utmost severity as per UT Tyler policy. Please consult [A Student Guide to Conduct and Discipline at UT Tyler](#) (available in the Office of Student Affairs) for university regulations regarding academic dishonesty: "3.22 Any student who commits an act of scholastic dishonesty is subject to discipline. Scholastic dishonesty includes but is not limited to cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts."

- i. "Cheating" includes, but is not limited to:
 - copying from another student's test paper;
 - using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test;
 - failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test;
 - possession during a test of materials which are not authorized by the person giving the test, such as class notes or specifically designed "crib notes". The presence of textbooks constitutes a violation if they have been specifically prohibited by the person administering the test;
 - using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program;

- collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority;
 - discussing the contents of an examination with another student who will take the examination;
 - divulging the contents of an examination, for the purpose of preserving questions for use by another, when the instructors has designated that the examination is not to be removed from the examination room or not to be returned or to be kept by the student;
 - substituting for another person, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test, or any course-related assignment;
 - paying or offering money or other valuable thing to, or coercing another person to obtain an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program or information about an unadministered test, test key, home solution or computer program;
 - falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit;
 - taking, keeping, misplacing, or damaging the property of The University of Texas at Tyler, or of another, if the student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained by such conduct; and • misrepresenting facts, including providing false grades or resumes, for the purpose of obtaining an academic or financial benefit or injuring another student academically or financially.
- ii. “Plagiarism” includes, but is not limited to, the appropriation, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another’s work and the submission of it as one’s own academic work offered for credit.
- iii. “Collusion” includes, but is not limited to, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing academic assignments offered for credit or collaboration with another person to commit a violation of any section of the rules on scholastic dishonesty.
- iv. All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by plagiarism software.

Students must always cite their sources. Copying any material from a book, newspaper, journal, website, or any printed source without citing the source is considered plagiarism. Students must not under any circumstances simply copy any material word for word or copy and paste the material. Even copying one sentence is unacceptable. Sources must be cited.

****DO NOT PLAGIARIZE. ANYONE CAUGHT PLAGIARIZING WILL AUTOMATICALLY RECEIVE A ZERO (0) ON THE ASSIGNMENT.****

If students paraphrase another individual’s words or idea, this must be cited or it is considered plagiarism. The paraphrased material does not need to be in quotation marks but the author and source must be properly cited.

UT TYLER HONOR CODE

Every member of the UT Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

STUDENTS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

To know and understand the policies that affect your rights and responsibilities as a student at UT Tyler, please follow this link: <http://www2.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php>

GRADE REPLACEMENT / FORGIVENESS AND CENSUS DATE POLICIES

Students repeating a course for grade forgiveness (grade replacement) must file a Grade Replacement Contract with the Enrollment Services Center (ADM 230) on or before the Census Date of the semester in which the course will be repeated. Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at <http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar>. Each semester's Census Date can be found on the Contract itself, on the Academic Calendar, or in the information pamphlets published each semester by the Office of the Registrar.

Failure to file a Grade Replacement Contract will result in both the original and repeated grade being used to calculate your overall grade point average. Undergraduates are eligible to exercise grade replacement for only three course repeats during their career at UT Tyler; graduates are eligible for two grade replacements. Full policy details are printed on each Grade Replacement Contract.

The Census Date is the deadline for many forms and enrollment actions that students need to be aware of. These include:

- Submitting Grade Replacement Contracts, Transient Forms, requests to withhold directory information, approvals for taking courses as Audit, Pass/Fail or Credit/No Credit.
- Receiving 100% refunds for partial withdrawals. (There is no refund for these after the Census Date)
- Schedule adjustments (section changes, adding a new class, dropping without a "W" grade)
- Being reinstated or re-enrolled in classes after being dropped for non-payment
- Completing the process for tuition exemptions or waivers through Financial Aid

STATE-MANDATED COURSE DROP POLICY

Texas law prohibits a student who began college for the first time in Fall 2007 or thereafter from dropping more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the census date (See Academic Calendar for the specific date).

Exceptions to the 6-drop rule may be found in the catalog. Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Center and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Enrollment Services Center if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR CLASSROOMS AND LABORATORIES

Students are required to wear face masks covering their nose and mouth, and follow social distancing guidelines, at all times in public settings (including classrooms and laboratories), as

specified by [Procedures for Fall 2020 Return to Normal Operations](#). The UT Tyler community of Patriots views adoption of these practices consistent with its [Honor Code](#) and a sign of good citizenship and respectful care of fellow classmates, faculty, and staff.

Students who are feeling ill or experiencing symptoms such as sneezing, coughing, or a higher than normal temperature will be excused from class and should stay at home and may join the class remotely. Students who have difficulty adhering to the Covid-19 safety policies for health reasons are also encouraged to join the class remotely. Students needing additional accommodations may contact the Office of Student Accessibility and Resources at University Center 3150, or call (903) 566-7079 or email saroffice@uttyler.edu.

DISABILITY/ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University of Tyler at Texas offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychological disabilities. If you have a disability, including non-visible a diagnosis such as a learning disorder, chronic illness, TBI, PTSD, ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment, you are encouraged to visit <https://hood.accessiblelearning.com/UTTyler> and fill out the New Student application. The Student Accessibility and Resources (SAR) office will contact you when your application has been submitted and an appointment with Cynthia Lowery, Assistant Director Student Services/ADA Coordinator. For more information, including filling out an application for services, please visit the SAR webpage at <http://www.uttyler.edu/disabilityservices>, the SAR office located in the University Center, # 3150 or call 903.566.7079.

STUDENT ABSENCE DUE TO RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE

Students who anticipate being absent from class due to a religious observance are requested to inform the instructor of such absences by the second class meeting of the semester.

STUDENT ABSENCE FOR UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

If you intend to be absent for a university-sponsored event or activity, you (or the event sponsor) must notify the instructor at least two weeks prior to the date of the planned absence. At that time the instructor will set a date and time when make-up assignments will be completed.

SOCIAL SECURITY AND FERPA STATEMENT

It is the policy of The University of Texas at Tyler to protect the confidential nature of social security numbers. The University has changed its computer programming so that all students have an identification number. The electronic transmission of grades (e.g., via e-mail) risks violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; grades will not be transmitted electronically.

EMERGENCY EXITS AND EVACUATION

Everyone is required to exit the building when a fire alarm goes off. Follow your instructor's directions regarding the appropriate exit. If you require assistance during an evacuation, inform

your instructor in the first week of class. Do not re-enter the building unless given permission by University Police, Fire department, or Fire Prevention Services.

CAMPUS CARRY

We respect the right and privacy of students who are duly licensed to carry concealed weapons in this class. License holders are expected to behave responsibly and keep a handgun secure and concealed. More information is available at <http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php>

TOBACCO

UT Tyler a Tobacco-Free University.

All forms of tobacco will not be permitted on the UT Tyler main campus, branch campuses, and any property owned by UT Tyler. This applies to all members of the University community, including students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors, and visitors.

Forms of tobacco not permitted include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and all other tobacco products.

There are several cessation programs available to students looking to quit smoking, including counseling, quitlines, and group support. For more information on cessation programs please visit www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free.

UT TYLER RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

- UT Tyler Writing Center (903.565.5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu
- UT Tyler Tutoring Center (903.565.5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu
- The Mathematics Learning Center, RBN 4021, this is the open access computer lab for math students, with tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.
- UT Tyler Counseling Center (903.566.7254)

This syllabus is subject to change.