

Course Syllabus

Welcome to [COURSE NAME]. General information about this course and its requirements can be found below.

Course Designers: [DEVELOPER NAME(S)]

Course Description: [SHORT (1-2 SENTENCE) DESCRIPTION OF THE COURSE]

Getting Started

After familiarizing yourself with the following course syllabus, enroll in this course using the "Enroll me in this course" button located on the left hand toolbar. Once enrolled, navigate to Unit 1 of the course to read the unit introduction and then expand the section for Subunit 1.1, which will provide all links and instructions for unit specific course resources.

Evaluation and Minimum Passing Scores

You will only receive an official grade on your final exam. However, in order to adequately prepare for this exam, we recommend that you work through the materials in each unit. Throughout the course you may find practice quizzes or other assignments that will help you master material and gauge your learning. Scores on these assignments are informational only and do not contribute to your overall course grade. In order to pass this course, you will need to earn a 70% or higher on the final exam. Your score on the exam will be tabulated as soon as you complete it. If you do not pass the exam, you may take it again following a 14-day waiting period.

Technical Requirements

This course is delivered fully online. You will be required to have access to a computer or web-capable mobile device and have consistent access to the internet to either view or download the necessary course resources and to attempt any auto-graded course assessments and the final exam.

To access the full course including assessments and the final exam, you will need to be logged into your Saylor Academy account and enrolled in the course. If you do not already have an account, you may create one, free of charge, [here](#). Although you can access some course

resources without being logged into your account, it's advised that you login to maximize your course experience. For example, some of the accessibility and progress tracking features are only available when you are logged in.

For additional technical guidance check out Saylor's tech-[FAQ](#) and the [Moodle LMS tutorial](#).

Fees

There is no cost to access and enroll in this course. All required course resources linked throughout the course, including textbooks, videos, webpages, activities, etc are accessible for no charge. This course also contains a free final exam and course completion certificate.

Time Commitment

While learning styles can vary considerably and any particular student will take more or less time to learn or read, we estimate that the "average" student will take **143.75 hours** to complete this course. Each resource and activity within the course is similarly tagged with an estimated time advisory. We recommend that you work through the course at a pace that is comfortable for you and allows you to make regular (daily, or at least weekly) progress. It's a good idea to also schedule your study time in advance and try as best as you can to stick to that schedule.

It may be useful to take a look at these time advisories and to determine how much time you have over the next few weeks to complete each unit, and then to set goals for yourself. Perhaps you can sit down with your calendar and decide to complete Subunits 1.1 and 1.2 (a total of 3 hours) on Monday night; Subunits 1.3 through 1.7 (a total of 3.5 hours) on Tuesday night; Subunits 1.8 (2.75 hours) on Wednesday night; etc.

Tips/Suggestions

Learning new material can be challenging, so below we've compiled a few suggested study strategies to help you succeed.

Take notes on the various terms, practices, and theories as you read. This can help you differentiate and contextualize concepts and later provide you with a refresher as you study.

As you progress through the materials, take time to test yourself on what you have retained and how well you understand the the concepts. The process of reflection is important for creating a

memory of the materials you learn; it will increase the probability that you ultimately retain the information.

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Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to:

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Suggested Prerequisites

In order to take this course, you should:

- have read the [Saylor Student Handbook](#).

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Welcome to ARTH101: Art Appreciation and Techniques. General information about this course and its requirements can be found below.

Course Designers: [Dr. Jill Kiefer](#) and [Professor Judith Dierkes](#)

Course Description: An exploration of visual art forms and their cultural connections, including a brief study of art history, and in-depth studies of the elements, media, and methods used in creative thought and processes.

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Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to:

- identify and describe the elements and principles of art;
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- compare and contrast different methods, mediums, and materials artists use to create two- and three-dimensional works of visual art;
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- interpret examples of visual art using analytical skills;
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- identify the processes and materials involved in art and architectural production;
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- explain the role and effect of the visual arts in societies, history, and other world cultures;
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- list and discuss some of the roles that the visual arts have historically played;
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- connect formal attributes of art with their meaning and expression;
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- articulate the political, social, cultural, and aesthetic themes and issues that artists examine in their work; and

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- utilize information to locate, evaluate, and communicate about visual art in its various forms.
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