Art 101: Introduction to Visual Arts  
3 Credits  
Online Course

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WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai‘i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide O‘ahu’s Ko‘olau region and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment — inspiring students to excellence.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Art 101 is an introductory course that focuses on the question “What is the nature of visual art?” and the forms and conditions under which art is expressed. Projects and written assignments will be required. Independent field trips to art galleries may be required.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student learning outcomes for the course are:

1. Identify how an appreciation of the visual arts' influences the quality of life.
2. Analyze how the elements of form and principles of design work together with the creative process to produce a work of art.
3. Describe individual art disciplines, media and specific methods of making art.
4. Define major historical and contemporary movements in art and discuss how art reflects its time and culture.
5. Execute studio art projects in order to experience visual concepts, art disciplines and media in each of the following:
   - Maintain a comprehensive sketchbook demonstrating understanding of the elements of art.
   - Create at least one basic 2D and 3D studio art project, utilizing media specific to the successful outcome of each project.
   - Execute one project based upon art history or museum observation.
COURSE CONTENT

Concepts or Topics

- Art elements and Design Principles.
- National, international, and regional art movements.
- Contemporary and historic visual points of reference across diverse cultures.
- Diverse art media such as collage paper installations, graffiti, masks, totems, and mixed media works.
- The relevance of art today, and the importance of our visual surroundings.
- What is an art critique? How to use the Describe, Analyze, Interpret, and Judgment (DAIJ) art criticism method to articulate an art critique.
- Museum and artist websites as sites of art engagement.
- Creating 2D and 3D art projects

Skills or Competencies

1. Students will learn how to write an art critique using the DAIJ method reference guide and Art Rubric.
2. Students will learn how to think critically about visual information.
3. Students will be able to communicate thoughtfully about works of art, substantiating their opinions with research and visual evidence.
4. Students will learn art vocabulary and historical contexts for art movements associated with traditional and contemporary genres occurring nationally, internationally, locally, and regionally.
5. Students will learn how to use Laulima, and will learn how to upload pdfs and jpps to a blog and to Laulima forums.
6. Conduct research about art using a variety of sources and maintain a sketchbook of art ideas.

COURSE TASKS

This course will be delivered online through the University of Hawai‘i course management system Laulima along with alternative technologies including blogs, artist and museum websites, and a series of videos. You will use your Laulima account to login to the course.

In Laulima, you will access online lessons, course materials, and additional resources. We will participate weekly discussions using Laulima’s discussion board. I post a weekly topic on Tuesday on students have until Thursday midnight to make their posts. These weekly discussions are worth 4 participation points per week and play a major role in your grade.

Each week’s lesson will last the duration of an on-campus course session for Tuesday/Thursday classes. For example, when a video is required, the play length will be one hour and fifteen minutes, the equivalent of an on-campus session. In addition to the weekly online lessons, students are required to complete homework assignments and readings.

ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

The learning outcomes will be met through a combination of 3 art projects; weekly participation points; a research paper; and 6 short writing assignments using the “Describe, Analyze, Interpret, and Judgment” reference guide and Art Rubric. Midterm and final exams consist of longer writing assignments (2 pages each, instructions will be provided). This class does not have any
tests or quizzes.

3 art projects: 20 points each (x 3) = 60pts
Weekly participation: 4 points/discussion (x 12 discussions) = 48pts
6 short writing assignments: 10 points each (x 6) = 60pts
Midterm paper: 30 points
Research paper: 20 points
Final paper: 30 points

**Total possible points: 248 points**

**Letter Grade Assignment**

Final grades assigned for this course will be based on the percentage of total points earned and are assigned as follows:

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**Grading for weekly discussion posts**

In determining your grade, the following components are considered:

- Four images will be posted to the “Resources” folder and then discussed in the Laulima discussion board each week. Each student is required to post one original message for each of the four images that are posted per week (i.e. “replies” to other students do not count as a post).
- Your four original posts must include: 1 descriptive post, 1 analytical post, 1 interpretive post, and 1 judgment post. These posts do not necessarily need to be written about the same image. In other words, students may write a descriptive post for one image, an analytical post for another image, an interpretive post for another image, and a judgment post on yet another image so long as a post is made in each category - Descriptive, Analytic, Interpretive, and Judgment (DAIJ). Please use the Descriptive, Analytic, Interpretive, and Judgment (DAIJ) reference guide for the types of questions that can be addressed in posts for each category.
- Students have from Tuesday – Thursday by midnight to make their post.
- Each original post is worth one point. Note: the weekly participation points amount to roughly 20% of the total grade (48 points total).

**Quality of discussion posts and written assignments**

- Each of your posts and written assignments must relate to the assigned image(s) using
concepts and terminology discussed in class. Terminology such as line, value, form, proportion, composition, among others will be covered in class lectures and should be used in posts in order to demonstrate your understanding of course material and an effort toward understanding the image being discussed.

- Connections between lecture content, textbook content, and discussion should be exhibited.
- Discussion posts must be submitted in complete sentences. This is not twitter.
- Relate new information with material previously covered in the class as well as with personal art experiences whenever possible.
- Discuss at a critical level – don’t just recite other people’s opinions or random facts from the readings.
- Critical discussion includes your opinion of items mentioned, but also includes the reasons you hold that opinion, and why it may be inconsistent or consistent with what you’ve learned. Justify your reasoning with facts or research including visual references and/or literature sources. How does what you’re presenting relate to other art situations, other disciplines, or other ideas?
- Please see the Art Rubric for written assignment criteria.

LEARNING RESOURCES

Course Text
The Art of Seeing (8th edition) by Paul J. Zelanski and Mary Pat Fisher.
Available for purchase at WCC bookstore.

YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PURCHASE THE BOOK. I will provide you with all the course readings by posting them in the “Resources” folder on Laulima.

Other Required Readings and Online Videos
Additional readings and online videos will be posted on Laulima.

Course Requirements
- Internet connection with audio/video capabilities
- Access to Laulima
- Please see Supply List on subsequent pages for required art supplies under each art project.

Additional Information

See the class schedule, DAIJ reference guide, Netiquette handout, and Art Rubric for additional course information.

As the instructor, I will serve as a guide on the Discussion Board. While I will not respond to every post, I will read what is posted, and reply when necessary. Expect instructor posts in the following situations:
• To assist when it comes to making connections between discussion, lectures, and textbook material.
• To fill in important things that may have been missed.
• To re-direct discussion if tangents detour the discussion away from the class topic.
• To identify key points in the discussion that warrant additional thought.
• The instructor reserves the right to remove any discussion messages that display inappropriate language or content.

Assignment Submissions
All assignments for this course will be submitted electronically through Laulima and google docs as uploaded word documents or jpg images. Assignments must be submitted by the given deadline or special permission must be requested from instructor before the due date.

Important Note: Any form of academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, may be reported to the office of student affairs. Plagiarism is the use of ideas or works belonging to someone else without acknowledging that person’s contribution. For more information on plagiarism see: http://www.plagiarism.org/

Late Work Policy
Be sure to pay close attention to deadlines—there will be no make-up assignments or discussion posts. Late work will NOT be accepted unless arrangements are made before the due date.

Drop/Withdrawal from This Course
It is the student’s responsibility to understand when they need to consider dropping or withdrawing from a course. Refer to the Windward Community College Course Schedule for registration dates and deadlines.

Technical Assistance
If you need technical assistance at any time during the course or to report a problem with Laulima please contact the IT Help Desk at:

Phone: (808) 956-8883
Toll Free (neighbor isles): (800) 558-2669
System Status: (808) 956-6168
Fax: (808) 956-2108
Email: help@hawaii.edu
Hours of Operation:
Mon - Thurs: 8:00am - 7:00pm
Fri: 8:00am - 4:30pm

Please email me immediately at healoha@hawaii.edu to notify me if you are experiencing technical difficulties with Laulima and we can arrange for your assignment submissions to be made by the assigned deadline via email until the problem is resolved through campus IT. Because students are registered for an online class, access to a computer -even in the case of technical difficulties- is expected. The WCC library located in Hale La‘akea has computers available for students to use on Mon-Thurs 8:00am-8:00pm; Fri 8:00am-4:00pm.
Writing Assistance

Students have access to writing assistance through the Writing Center located in Hale La‘akea Room 222. For more information on the services available please visit the following link: http://windward.hawaii.edu/Writing/

DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT

If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Ann Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale 'Akoakoa 213 for more information.

Art Supply List

It is not necessary to purchase the textbook; readings will be provided

Sketchbook (8x10 or larger) that will double as your notebook

19x25 (or larger) black drawing paper (2 per student)

19x25 (or larger) white drawing paper (1 per student)

22x30 watercolor paper 140lbs (2 per student)

Black ink (any kind)

Scissors

Masking Tape

Glue (Rubber Cement or Elmer’s)

x-acto knife (small)

graphite pencil 2B

eraser

small ruler

acrylic paint:

Cadmium Red Medium

Cadmium Yellow Medium
Cobalt Blue

Jenkins Green OR Hookers Green Hue

Zinc White

Plastic palette knife

Brushes: Flats #6, #10

Paper towels

Cups to hold water and brushes

The instructor has listed which supplies are needed prior to each class. Refer to your syllabus. YOU ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE ALL THE REQUESTED SUPPLIES WITH YOU DURING THE PROJECT.

Schedule (Subject to change):

**Week 1: January 13 & 15**
Acquaint yourself with Laulima. Visit the discussion forum, the “Resources” folder, and review all materials in the Week 1 folder stored in “Resources”
Lecture: The Elements of Art. Review all handouts.

**Week 2: January 20 & 22**
PowerPoint #1: Introduction
Reading assignment: Image and Politics
Laulima discussion forum, critique 4 images

**Week 3: January 27 & 29**
PowerPoint #2: Basic Instinct ppt,
Laulima discussion forum: Turn in name of artist to research.
Work on writing assignment #1.

**Week 4: February 3 & 5**
Work on Project #1, Ink Composition
Supplies: Watercolor paper, Black ink, Cup for water, scissors, x-acto knife, pencil
Thursday: Due – Writing assignment #1, and ink composition art project.

**Week 5: February 10 & 12**
PowerPoint: Cutting Paper I
PowerPoint: Cutting Paper II
Principles of Design reading assignment.
Laulima discussion forum: make a 1- descriptive, 1- analytic, 1- interpretive, and 1- judgment post about any image(s) from the ppt.

**Week 6: February 17 & 19**
Work on Project #2: Cutting Paper
Supplies: Black Paper, White Paper, Scissors, Pencil, Glue, Household objects (TBD)
Thursday: Due – cutting paper project, artist statement to accompany project (art project and writing assignment #2)
Work on Midterm Revision

Week 7: February 24 & 26
Critique Papercut Project on Laulima discussion forum
Thursday: Due - MID TERM paper

Week 8: March 3 & 5
Feminist Art reading assignments. Laulima discussion forum

Week 9: March 10 & 12
PowerPoint : Color
Color reading assignments and video clips
Laulima discussion forum

Week 10: March 17 & 19
Project #3: Autobiographical Color Chart
Supplies: Masking Tape, Watercolor Paper, Acrylic, Palette knife, Brushes, Cup for Water.
Thursday: Due - Autobiographical Color Chart and artist statement (art project and writing assignment #3)

Week 11: March 24 & 26
Critique Color Chart Project on Laulima discussion forum.

Week 12: March 31 & April 2
Reading assignment - Native American Art; reading assignment - Printmaking
Discuss hybridity in art and culture on Laulima discussion forum.

Week 13: April 7 & 9
Museum reading and research assignment for final paper
Video: “Wasteland” or “Art 21: Place” episode
Thursday: Due – Response paper to “Wasteland” or “Art 21: Place” episode (writing assignment #4)
Laulima discussion forum

Week 14: April 14 & 16
Video: Exit through the Gift Shop
PowerPoint #7: Street Art
Thursday: Due – Written response to “Exit through the Gift Shop” (writing assignment #5)
Laulima Discussion forum

Week 15: April 21 & 23
gallery/museum visit - Participation points earned for visiting the gallery (no Laulima discussion)
Thursday: Due – gallery/museum visit photo and caption (writing assignment #6)
Thursday: Due – Research paper
Week 16: April 28 & 30
work on Final Paper/Last day of Instruction
Laulima Discussion post

May 14: Submit Final Paper

Glossary:

Abstract
Acrylic
Aerial Perspective
Analogous Colors
Arbitrary Color
Atmospheric Perspective
Balance
Cast Shadow
Ceramics
Chiaroscuro
Collage
Color Wheel
Complementary Colors
Composition
Contour Line
Contrast
Contrapposto
Cool Colors
Cross-Hatching
Fresco
Gouache
Hue
Iconography
Impasto
Implied Line
Installation

Kinetic Art
Line
Linear Perspective