

University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Fox Cities

Art 112: 2-D Design and Color (3 credits) (XC)

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Section 004L

M/W 4:10 pm - 6:20 pm

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Course Description:

2-Dimensional Design and Color is an introductory Art studio Explore course examining elements and principles of 2-Dimensional Design with an emphasis on developing Visual Literacy, Creative Expression, and design skills through visual exploration and problem solving. Beginning problems in color theory will be introduced. Students will explore concepts central to the *University Studies Program Culture Category*. Special fees may apply.

University Studies Program:

The *University Studies Program (USP)* is your gateway to a 21st century college education at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. This course is an *Explore* course for the *University Studies Program*. *Explore* classes are designed to provide a solid foundation for the rest of your education here, no matter which major you choose. For further information about the unique general education at UW Oshkosh and the other USP courses that are available, visit the *University Studies Program* website.

Learning Outcomes and Critical Skills:

Students will-

- Demonstrate conceptual and technical skills necessary to effectively utilize principles of design
- Define visual literacy
- Describe and demonstrate creative expression
- Analyze and describe decision-making process
- Identify strategies artists employ to bridge cultural differences
- Demonstrate a method of work involving self-examination, problem-solving, and critical thought.

Attendance

Attendance is required and will be taken at the beginning of each class. Each student is permitted (2) absences for the duration of the semester. Two absences are considered personal days and do not affect your grade. Each absence over (2) will be considered unexcused and will affect your final grade by 3 points per absence (up to 7 absences). Absences over (2) can be made up without affecting your final grade by presenting a written excuse AND by making up the required work. Any assignments that are missed due to an absence must be turned in by the next week to avoid a grade reduction. 10 or more (total) absences will result in automatic failure of the class.

Class Structure

Classes are a combination of lecture, demonstrations, in-class assignments, one-on-one instruction and critiques. Plan to spend about 6 hours a week outside of class to work on your projects.

Critiques

We will meet individually and as a group several times during the semester to critique/discuss your work. During these critiques, you should articulate your thoughts about the work shown, ask questions and offer advice with the intention of developing ideas. Participation in critiques is expected as it affects your final grade.

Materials

Many of the art materials needed for this class will be provided to you because you have paid a special course fee. This fee can't cover all the supplies, however, and you may need to purchase some additional materials. If you need to purchase materials, I will provide you with a list by the second week of the semester.

Required Text

A text is not required. Links to reading material and handouts will be assigned and provided in place of the textbook.

Academic Honesty

Please follow the standards stated in the UWO student handbook. All work must be completely your own.

Criteria for Evaluating Performance

Projects will be graded as a group (portfolio), not individually, to encourage development throughout the semester. Grades will be based on the successful completion of all projects AND:

- Artistic interpretations, creativity and problem-solving abilities
- Craftsmanship and technique
- Developmental curve and improvement throughout the course of the semester
- Degree of involvement as measured by the work done in class
- Attendance and participation in classroom discussions and critiques

Final Portfolio

All general projects along with the final project must be completed and submitted in your final portfolio. Any incomplete or missing projects will result in the following grade deductions:

General Projects: -20 points per incomplete or missing project
Final Project: -30 points for an incomplete or missing project

Grading

Attendance	20 points
Participation in Critiques	10 points
General Projects	100 points
Final Project	40 points
Total	170 points

Letter Grade	Point totals	Letter Grade	Point totals
A	170 - 160	C	130 - 126
A-	159 - 153	C-	125 - 119
B+	152 - 148	D+	118 - 114
B	147 - 143	D	113 - 109
B-	142 - 136	D-	108 - 102
C+	135 - 131	F	101 - 0

General Classroom Rules

- No cell phones allowed during class time (except in emergency situations or for listening to music *during* studio time).
- While in class you may listen to your preferred music through headphones/earbuds. However please be mindful of where you have the volume set. You should be able to hear me using a normal tone of voice.
- The use of computers or other electronic devices will not be allowed during class time unless preapproved.
- You must clean up after yourself accordingly, by following studio procedures for proper disposal of waste materials and by returning art materials back to their designated locations within the studio.

Early Alert

Early Alert is a program that provides you with an *Early Grade Report* from faculty. *Early Grade Reports* will indicate if you have academic performance or attendance issues and specific steps you can take and resources available to help you improve. It is common for students to be unaware of or over-estimate their academic performance in classes so this will help you be aware early on of your progress and provide strategies for success in the classroom. You will receive an email during the 5th week of classes. It is important to read the entire email carefully.

On Campus Resources

Your personal and academic wellbeing and success are important to us. The university provides a number of resources including-

- *Center for Academic Resources*
- *Writing Center*
- *Reading Study Center*
- *Counseling Center*
- *Undergraduate Advising Resource Center*

Additional resources at: <http://www.uwosh.edu/home/resources>

Students are advised to see the following URL for disclosures about essential consumer protection items required by the Students Right to Know Act of 1990: <https://uwosh.edu/financialaid/consumer-information/>.