This is an introductory art appreciation course for students who are not majoring in Studio Art or Art History. It will provide a general introduction to art that offers a look at works of art through the study of theory, terminology, themes, design principles, media, and techniques, with an introduction to the visual arts across time and diverse cultures. It emphasizes both Western and global art in historical and cultural contexts and explores drawing, painting, sculpture, film/video, printmaking, photography, ceramics, and architecture. Students are required to visit a local art museum.
Liberal Studies for Elementary Education (Associate in Arts)

GE AND TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS MET:
IGETC Area 3: Arts and Humanities
   3A: Arts
CSU GE Area C: Arts, Literature, Philosophy and Foreign Languages
   C1 - Arts, Dance, Music, Theater

Degree Applicable
   AA Degree Applicable

COURSE LEVEL STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) Supported by this course:

1. Identify the major art movements throughout history and the diverse cultural, economic, and scientific forces that affected these movements when comparing art forms and media of the visual arts.
2. Identify a major artist and/or art movement and the function of aesthetics in evaluating a work of art.
3. Identify and choose appropriate vocabulary for art history and art production.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:
1. Explain the formal elements of art and principles of design.
2. Describe the major art movements throughout history and the diverse cultural, economic, and scientific forces that affected these movements.
3. Define and compare the art forms and media of the visual arts.
4. Describe the function of aesthetics in evaluating a work of art.
5. Utilize the formal elements and principles of design to describe and critique works of art and architecture.

COURSE CONTENT:

LECTURE CONTENT:

A. THE LANGUAGE OF VISUAL EXPERIENCE
   1. The Nature of Art and Creativity
   2. The Purposes and Functions of Art
   3. The Visual Elements

B. THE MEDIA OF ART
   1. The Principles of Design
   2. Evaluating Art
   3. Drawing
   4. Painting
   5. Printmaking
   6. Photography
   7. Film and Digital Arts
   8. Design Disciplines
   9. Sculpture
   10. Craft Media
   11. Architecture

C. ART AS CULTURAL HERITAGE
   1. From The Earliest Art to the Bronze Age
   2. The Classical and Medieval West
   3. Renaissance and Baroque Europe
   4. Traditional Arts of Asia
   5. The Islamic World
   6. Africa, Oceania, and the Americas
D. THE MODERN WORLD
   1. Late Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries
   2. Early Twentieth Century
   3. Between World Wars
   4. Postwar Modern Movements

E. THE POSTMODERN WORLD
   1. Postmodernity and Global Art

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

A. Lecture:
B. Online:
C. Independent Study:

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNIQUES:

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS:

Reading Assignments
   A. Course text
   B. Selected readings
      1. Art Media
      2. Art Movements
      3. Artists
      4. Criticism from books and periodicals

Out-of-class Assignments
   A. Assigned reading
   B. Discussion posts
   C. Visit to a local art museum

Writing Assignments
   A. A research paper investigating history of a specific piece of art.
   B. Discussion posts
   C. In-class writing exercises analyzing the form and/or content of works of art or architecture or specific movements in the period from a diverse range of cultures.
   D. Essay examination

METHODS OF STUDENT EVALUATION:

Midterm Exam
Final Exam
Short Quizzes
Written Assignments
Essay Examinations
Oral Presentations

Demonstration of Critical Thinking:

The learner will demonstrate through required writings, tests, and verbal communication the ability to critically analyze a work of art, explain the history, influences and development of the visual arts, and apply the principles of art and design elements in the making of a work of art.

Required Writing, Problem Solving, Skills Demonstration:
   A. In-class writing exercises analyzing the form and/or content of works of art or architecture or specific movements in the period from a diverse range of cultures.
   B. A research paper investigating and appraising a major artist or art movement.
   C. Discussion posts
   D. Essay examinations
TEXTS, READINGS, AND RESOURCES:

TextBooks:
5. Riley, W. Art Appreciation, ed. Lumen Learning (OER), 2018

LIBRARY:

Adequate library resources include: Print Materials
Non-Print Materials
Online Materials
Services
Comments:

Attachments:

Attached Files