

ART 101 : Introduction to the Visual Arts

Credits: 3

Class Hours: 3 lecture

Description: This course is a general introduction to the media, techniques, and history of the visual arts, oriented to students who have not been exposed to the formal study of these disciplines. Students will develop an in-depth appreciation of the creative processes involved in the visual arts across cultures and throughout history. This survey course reviews two- and three-dimensional art forms, methods, and media; examines the visual elements and principles of design; and surveys art styles from the prehistoric to the 20th Century.

Semester Offered: Fall, Spring

Designation:

Diversification: Arts – DA

Course Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs):

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the elements of visual art, principles of design, and the creative process.
2. Describe how ideas can be communicated through visual media, techniques, and processes.
3. Evaluate artistic works across a range of subject matters, symbols, concepts, historical periods, and cultures.
4. Demonstrate a familiarity with major historical and contemporary movements in visual art, and describe how art reflects its time.
5. Apply formal and personal criteria for viewing and assessing art, using appropriate terminology.
6. Make connections between visual arts and other disciplines.