

SYLLABUS

Valdosta State University – College of the Arts – Art Department

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ARTH 3121 WESTERN ART HISTORY SURVEY

Credit load: 3-0-3

CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION: Prerequisite: ART 1100, ARTH 1120, or ARID 1120. A survey of western world art from prehistory to the modern period.

TEXT: *Gardner's Art through the Ages: A Global History*, 14th Ed. (Cengage Learning, 2013); ISBN#9780495915423.

SELECTED STANDARDS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES and/or OUTCOMES: [VSU and NASAD]:

- Students will demonstrate cross-cultural perspectives and knowledge of diverse cultural heritages in the arts, humanities, and social sciences and place works of art in historical, cultural, and stylistic contexts.
- Students will demonstrate the ability to analyze works of art perceptively and evaluate them critically through oral, written, and visual materials.
- Students will acquire the ability to students will demonstrate an understanding of the common elements and vocabulary of art and of the interaction of these elements, and be able to employ this knowledge in analyses.

SELECTED ASSESSMENTS and/or EVALUATION:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the achievements of world cultures from the prehistoric to the modern period in class discussion and course activities.
- Proper identification, discussion and comparative analysis of selected visual works.
- Performance on tests, quizzes, assignments, and papers as assigned.

CLASSROOM POLICIES:

Notice: The course syllabus provides standard information related to accreditation, department, and university standards and policies. The instructor course outlines are aligned with the syllabus and provide detailed information related to a specific section of each course. *Students should refer to the course outline for specific expectations and policies related to the course section.*

Attendance:

The University expects that all students shall regularly attend all scheduled class meetings held for instruction or examination. It is recognized that class attendance is essentially a matter between students and their instructors. Instructors must explain their absence policy in the course syllabus. All students are held responsible for knowing the specific attendance requirements as prescribed by their instructors and for following the course policies for regarding make-up work in connection with any absences. A student who misses more than 20% of the scheduled classes of a course will be subject to receive a failing grade in the course.

Computer Use:

Students will need to log on to BlazeVIEW to gain access to some course content. More information about how to use Blaze VIEW is available online at <http://ww2.valdosta.edu/vista/students.shtml>.

Email Communication:

Students will have to use their VSU email address for all VSU email correspondence, as well as check their VSU e-mail accounts regularly for class-related messages.

Academic Integrity:

Academic integrity is the responsibility of all VSU faculty and students. Students are responsible for knowing and abiding by the Academic Integrity Policy as set forth in the Student Code of Conduct and the faculty members' syllabi. All students are expected to do their own work and to uphold a high standard of academic ethics. Consult the full discussion of the Academic Integrity Code in the Student Handbook, which is available online at <http://www.valdosta.edu/administration/student-affairs/student-conduct-office/student-handbook.php>. Students found guilty of any academic integrity violation in connection with this course will, at minimum, receive an F for the involved course activity and, at maximum, be subject to failing the entire course.

Reproduction of Photographic Images:

During the semester your instructor or other representatives from Valdosta State University may photograph you or your art work for promotional, educational and or accreditation use. If you wish not to have images of you or your work used by VSU or the Department of Art, please submit a written statement to the Art Department office.

Possible Objectionable Materials Warning:

This class includes images that contain nudity, violence, and other imagery that may be offensive to some viewers. If you are unwilling to examine and discuss such works in an academic context then you should reconsider enrollment in this course.

The Student Success Center:

The Student Success Center (SSC) in the Langdale Residence Hall above the Tech shop provides free peer tutoring in core courses as well as time management and study skills workshops. Help is available to all VSU students. Call 333-7570 for an appointment or visit www.valdosta.edu/ssc.

Student Access:

Students requesting classroom accommodations or modifications due to a documented disability must contact the Access Office for Students with Disabilities, which is located in Farber Hall; visit their website at <http://www.valdosta.edu/access> or call 245-2498 (V/VP) or 219-1348 (TTY).

Credit:

Credit is defined as a basic unit of work, as it relates to hours of faculty in-class instruction and hours of out-of-class student work. The definition and expectation will differ in laboratory, lecture, and directed or independent study classes. An hour of instruction is the equivalent to 50 minutes of class time (often called a contact hour).

Lecture Classes:

For each hour of lecture classroom instruction, students are expected to work a minimum of two hours outside normal class time completing assignments and preparing for class time; therefore, a three credit hour lecture course will require an average of six hours per week of student outside academic activity. *Note that these are minimum or average expectations for student academic activity as it relates to college credit. To earn a desired grade may require more than just the average investment of expected student academic activity.*

Student Evaluations:

Student Opinion of the Instruction (SOI) will be administered online. This survey will be available for you to submit through BANNER during the last several weeks of the term.