

# Introduction to Art Course Description

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Throughout this course, students will learn how culture, time, and place influence artists and the art they create. Students will analyze how art can be used to express themselves and their ideas by creating their own works using different skills and techniques learned in this course. Their work will be collected in a portfolio throughout the duration of the course. Students will also analyze the different reasons for creating art, as well as how to critically analyze other people's art and their own. Universal themes in art works will also be analyzed in the course. Knowledge will be assessed through written assignments, worksheets, quizzes, unit exams, a midterm exam, and a final exam.

## Course Outline

### Unit 1:

- The Artist and the Observer
- What is Art
- Themes and Purposes of Art
- Final Project Part 1

### Unit 2:

- Lines
- Shape, Line, and Color
- Texture, Space, and Time
- Principles of Design
- Final Project Part 2

### Unit 3:

- Drawing
- Painting - Part I
- Painting - Part II
- Prints
- Final Project Part 3

### Unit 4:

- Brief History of Photography
- Purposes of Photography
- Films
- Graphic Design
- Final Project Part 4

### Unit 5:

- Sculpture
- Crafts
- Architecture
- Final Project Part 5

### Unit 6:

- Art of the Ancients
- Classical Art of Greece and Rome
- Christian Art
- The Renaissance
- The Baroque Style
- Final Project Part 6

### Unit 7:

- Modern Art 19th Century
- Modern Art 20th Century
- Contemporary Art
- Final Project Part 7

### Unit 8:

- Artist Statement
- Final Project Part 8

### **Course Prerequisite**

Before beginning this course, you should have taken the Orientation course. This course contains information that will help you understand how you should complete your regular courses.

### **Course Requirements**

- Quizzes
- Unit Exams
- Assignments
- Midterm Exam
- Final Exam

In order to pass this course, you must take the final exam.