

Houston Community College - Southeast  
John Adelman  
Course Syllabus  
Art Appreciation  
ARTS 1301 - 0077

Course Reference Number (CRN) 71927  
Fall 2015  
08/25/2015 - 12/13/2015  
Course Location/Times T 2-3:30pm  
Angela Morales Bldg Rm 316  
Course Semester Credit Hours (SCH) 3 units  
Total Course Contact Hours 48

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Course Length (number of weeks) 16

Course Reference Number (CRN) 72045  
Fall 2015  
08/25/2015 - 12/13/2015  
Course Location/Times T 3:30-5pm  
Angela Morales Bldg Rm 316  
Course Semester Credit Hours (SCH) 3 units  
Total Course Contact Hours 48

Course Length (number of weeks) 16

Course Reference Number (CRN) 72379  
Fall 2015  
08/25/2015 - 12/13/2015  
Course Location/Times TTH 3:30-5pm  
Angela Morales Bldg Rm 316  
Course Semester Credit Hours (SCH) 3 units  
Total Course Contact Hours 48

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## Instructor's Requirements

Full Syllabus is Online on the Learning Web, under Instructor's profile

### READ

**ALL ELECTRONICS, ESPECIALLY CELL PHONES ARE TO BE TURNED OFF PRIOR TO THE START OF CLASS. No student is allowed to leave class to answer a cell phone, without FULL knowledge and permission of the Instructor PRIOR to the start of class. Use of such devices during class will be cause for disciplinary action and/or lowering of the student's participation and overall final grade. The student can expect their personal overall final grade will be lower one full grade point per incident.**

All students must be ready for class promptly at start of class at 3pm. All students must participate in all class discussions. All electronic devices are to be turned OFF prior to the start of class.

### Attendance

Attendance is mandatory for this class. An individual student record of attendance will be logged at the beginning of each class. Each student is allotted 2 class absences, used at the student's discretion. Excused and Unexcused Absences are regarded in like manner. After the 2 class absence is attained, for EACH class missed, regardless of cause, will lower the offending student's final grade by one full percentage point from the student's final overall grade.

***The student is responsible for all information given during the lectures, even if the student is absent. Failure to be aware of an (or turn-in) an assignment or date of a quiz is solely the responsibility of the student.***

### Tardiness

Tardiness is also greatly discouraged for this course. Tardiness includes but is not limited to, arriving late to class, taking early, prolonged breaks, and leaving class early. Tardies are one-half of an absence. Absences and Tardies are cumulative and are counted together. 1/2 percentage point will be deducted from the offending student's overall grade per incident. If the student is late and leaves early in the same class would incur a one full point deduction.

BEING LATE MORE THAN 15MIN. IS CONSIDERED A FULL ABSENCE. LIKewise LEAVING CLASS MORE THAN 15MIN PRIOR TO THE END OF CLASS IS CONSIDERED A FULL ABSENCE.

The student is expected to remain in his or her seat throughout the entire duration of the class. Failure to do so will result in both deductions in attendance and participation grades.

**Tardiness for Tests/Exams and Assignments due dates are extremely severe. It includes but is not limited to 10 point deduction for being late and 1 point per minute for the lateness.**

Each student is responsible for keeping their own accurate attendance record and should realize when they are approaching academic disciplinary action: point deductions.

**The tardy student is solely responsible for making sure the instructor knows the student was late (by informing the instructor after class.) Otherwise, the student risks a Full Absence to be counted.**

Additionally if you are late to class, you are expected to enter the classroom quietly and discretely, and includes opening and shutting the door, zipping & unzipping backpacks, rustling through paper, etc. Also, remind the Instructor of the offending lateness immediately at the end of Lecture, or the student accepts a full absence.

Attendance, drops are solely the responsibility of the Student

### Course Purpose

This course presents a survey of the visual arts, including artistic media and techniques, and art history. Students in Art Appreciation will also explore visual principles and elements through hands-on activities.

### Description of Course Content

This course is intended to be a broadly based introduction to the visual arts and will deal with issues such as the nature of art, the content and meaning of art, the artists' means of production and, finally, the development of art over time. Students in Art Appreciation will learn to consider ideas, concepts, social, cultural, economic, and other factors when analyzing specific art works and will learn to apply these factors when creating objects.

### Objectives and Requirements

By the end of the semester the student who passes with a final grade of "C" or above will have demonstrated the ability to:  
 Complete and comprehend all graded assignments.  
 Attend class regularly, missing no more than 12.5% of instruction (12 hours).  
 Arrive at class promptly and with the required materials for that day's session.  
 Be prepared for and participate in small group or class discussions.  
 Demonstrate the ability to communicate orally in clear, coherent, and persuasive language.  
 Demonstrate the ability to use computer-based technology in communicating, solving

- Compare and contrast works of art from the text using the terminology and iconography of art.
- Explain the function of art in its historical context.
- Complete the required studio art assignments which will constitute approximately 25% of the final grade.

### HCC Grading Scale

A = 100- 90	4 points per semester hour
B = 89 - 80:	3 points per semester hour
C = 79 - 70:	2 points per semester hour
D = 69 - 60:	1 point per semester hour
59 and below = F	0 points per semester hour

Your grade will be determined by the following	Details		Points (if applicable)	Percent of Final Average
Exam 1 & 2	50-Q MC & fill-in	100 pts ea	200	10 each
Out of Class Assignment	50-Q fill in and essay	200 pts	200	20
Final exam	50-Q MC & fill-in	200 pts	200	20
In-class Paper	1-2 pages	100 pts ea	200	20
Participation	all classes	200 pts	200	20
				10
Total:			1000	100%

### Tests

Three tests and a Final exam will be assessed during the semester. Each exam will be 50 multiple choice and fill-in the blank/short answer questions. And will be based on the lectures, discussions, readings etc.

Tests/Final will start promptly at the beginning of the class, tardiness, even if the student is not over the allotted allowance, will be docked 10points and an additional point for each minute he/she is late.

Tests/Final if a student misses a Tests/Final for any reason even if under the allowable allotment, the student will receive a zero for the test as there will be no retake or make-ups.

Tests/Final will use the full time of a single class, when a student is complete (avg time per test is 37min) that student is free to depart from the classroom. Handing in one's test is a final act and will not be able to return. Each student has the full class time to take the Tests/Final.

Tests/Final no student is allowed to leave during.

Tests/Final Cheating in any form will not be tolerated. If the Instructor SUSPECTS cheating you will automatically be awarded a Zero for the assignment/test/exam. If the student is caught the student will receive a Zero for the entire semester and be submitted to academic conduct control personnel.

Tests/Final all students must have their hair pulled back, should not be wearing any headwear.

Tests/Final all students must keep their hands above the table surface at all times.

Tests/Final all students must keep their eyes on their own test at all times, looking around the classroom will be suspected as cheating and will result in a Zero for a grade on the test.

Tests/Final all students must keep their tests covered at all times, allowing another student to look at your test makes you complicit in cheating and will result in a Zero grade on the test, and subject to Academic Misconduct referral.

Tests/Final all students are given a pack of papers with the test questions and the student is to answer directly on the handout. No scantrons, blue books or scratch paper will be needed.

Tests/Final the student will only need to bring 2 good working pens. If the student chooses to use an erasable writing device the student automatically forfeits the right to challenge a grade.

No answers should be written on the exams/tests or papers which taunt or mock the Instructor or the class. Also, no answer should be given that is vulgar or offensive in any way. Each offense will be a 10pt deduction PLUS one point per letter of the offensive term/answer. If the offense is deemed (upon the complete determination of the instructor of this class) the penalty will be a ZERO for the test/paper that the offense occurred. If the offense occurs a second time on the same exam/paper the second offense will incur an automatic Zero on the test/paper. If the student chooses to do the same offense on a succeeding exam/paper the student WILL receive a zero for a final grade.

Professionalism should be showcased by the student at all times.

Tests/Final No electronic devices are to be on during test time or in operation, an offending student can expect a zero final grade for disregarding this rule.

Tests/Final will be handed back the following class, we will take time to discuss the correct answers and the Tests/Final will be handed back in to the instructor. If a student chooses to miss this succeeding class the test will not be provided for that student following that class.

No test answers should offend the Instructor, anything derogatory, mocking, vulgar, mean-spirited, or taunting will result in a ZERO for the exam.

If your phone goes off during the test a 10 point deduction will be assessed to your grade.

All phones must be turned off and placed on the table in front of you.

You may not look at or touch your watch

No earplugs/earbuds must be seen during the entire taking of the test.

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**There will be no make-up Tests or Exams**

*The Exam will begin at the start of class*, once class is started the student is considered late and will incur a severe point deduction. This includes 10 point deduction for being late and 1 additional point for each minute student is late.

## **Out of Class Team Assignment 1 - Portrait**

## **Out of Class Team Assignment 2 - Modernist/Post-Modern Project**

## **Out-of-Class Assignment 3**

1 page papers on various topics will be assessed throughout the semester. Each paper will be a typed paper, fully referenced with a citation page, and image.

The paper will comprise 100 points and be DUE at the start of class, on the date assigned.

Note: Project 3 will be enacted in lieu of classes Wednesday 9/16 & Friday 9/18

## Out-of-Class Assignment 4

A take home exam will be assessed during the semester. The assignment will be comprised of 50 total fill in the blank and essay questions.

A packet of paper will be handed out to each student, the student will write directly on the handout.

Each student will need to choose 2 works of art with which to complete the project. A high resolution, full color image, for each work of art chosen.

Packet of paper must be assemble and attached altogether as ONE paper project for turn-in.

## Participation

Participation is very important to this class, and as such comprises one-quarter of the overall grade. Participation is, but is not limited to, engaging in the class discussion, offering up opinions, suggestions and comments when sought and asking relevant questions, **Policing the students work area after each class, and putting away all items.** Professionalism should be at the forefront of the student's mind and actions, anything determined (at the Instructor's discretion) to demean, intimidate or be disrespectful, hence, unprofessional will not be tolerated and will incur a severe penalty and is not limited to complete dismissal from the class, and thereby receiving a final letter grade of zero and be reported for violations to the student conduct policy revue board. This class will be a discussion class. We will discuss and debate Art principles, concepts, procedures and issues. Each student is expected to fully participate. All ideas, viewpoints, concerns and positions will be heard. In this regard, all respect is to be paid at all times and general social decorum should be observed within this open forum. Of note; expect the instructor or fellow students to challenge your statements, agreement is not sought simply issue clarity. Likewise, when you are challenging another's position all respect must be paid, remember you will be addressing or challenging a statement not the individual making said statement. All comments should be pertinent to the discussion. Failure to adhere to proper etiquette, i.e. abusive or foul language, yelling or overly loud voice projection or failure to heed the instructor's will, will be cause to significantly lower the offending student's final participation grade. If the Instructor deems necessary the student may be removed, possibly permanently, from the class.

A deduction to the student's participation grade is permanent, as are all deductions.

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**Any violation of Participation Policy can be cause from the complete removal of the offending student. And, thereby earning a Zero for the entire class.**

## Grade Determination

Exam 1 25-Q MC & fill-in	50pts	5% of overall final grade
Exam 2 25-Q MC & fill-in	50pts	5% of overall final grade
Exam 3 25-Q MC & fill-in	50pts	5% of overall final grade
Exam 4 25-Q MC & fill-in	50pts	5% of overall final grade
Out Class Team Assignment 1	100pts	10% of overall final grade
Out Class Team Assignment 2	100pts	10% of overall final grade
Out of Class Assignment 3	200pts	20% of overall final grade
Out of Class Assignment 4	100pts ea	10% of overall final grade
Final Exam 50-Q MC & fill-in	200pts	20% of overall final grade
Participation	100pts	10% of overall final grade

total 1000pts 100%

**Remember: deductions due to attendance problems are applied after the equation above is complete.**

**Instructor reserves the right to include additional work as deemed necessary and/or change anything in the syllabus at any time without prior approval**

## LETTER GRADE ASSIGNMENT

Letter Grade	Final Average in Percent
A	90-100
B	80-90
C	70-80
D	60-70
F	below 60

### Please Read and Understand

Failure to adhere to these standards could and will be detrimental to your college career

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Deductions will occur if the student has determined to not follow the above criteria and also includes disturbing the Instructor during lecture, talking during lecture and/or video presentations. being overly argumentative, habitually leaving one's chair to use the restroom or throwing out trash during class time.

**A deduction to the student's participation grade is permanent.**

**No make-ups, re-dos, or extra credit are issued in regards to a missed or poorly executed assignment/quiz or exam.**

**OF NOTE: A student who has successfully executed the class throughout the entire semester, good attendance, getting 90% or higher on assignments, quizzes and exams. And, on the last day of class, prior to finals week, has an "A" average, can opt out of the final.**

**NOW be sure you have all your questions answered prior to dismissing for the end of class first day. Be sure you understand fully what the instructor is requiring of you throughout the entire semester.**