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Program Context & Curriculum

Brief Overview & Relevant History

The Art History Program at Sonoma State University offers a B.A. major, a minor in art history, and a minor in museum and gallery methods within the Art & Art History Department. Students develop preliminary skills in lower division survey courses and hone them in thematic and period-based upper division courses. Some course requirements can be satisfied through study abroad if students elect. The Proseminar serves as a capstone course for majors in their senior year. The program offers both lower and upper division GE courses and a number of WIC (Writing Intensive Curriculum) courses that satisfy the GWAR (Graduate Written Assessment Requirement) and are open to all majors. The Art History Program is a fundamental component of the NASAD accreditation the Department of Art has held since 1980.

The Art History program was one of the earliest degree-granting programs established at SSU and art history courses were part of the first campus curriculum in 1961. The separate B.A. degree in art history was approved in 2000, one of two degrees in art history within the CSU at that time. The art history faculty expanded from a single art historian to three full-time art historians in 1969. In 1972 the program expanded to four full-time faculty members and two part-time instructors. In the 1980s and 1990s, the Art History Program was supported by a Slide Curator and a half-time technician. The final Slide Curator, Ms. Karen Kessel, retired in 2016 and the position has not been filled since her departure. Full-time faculty levels have not remained steady. Dr. Jennifer Roberson was hired as a specialist in Islamic art in 2007, but Professors Susan McKillop and Susan Moulton retired in 2009 and 2012 respectively. Similarly, Dr. Letha Ch'ien hiring in medieval and Renaissance European Art was followed by the retirement of Professors Michael Schwager and Dr. Jennifer Shaw in 2020, leaving the program without a gallery director and with a half-time position for Dr. Shaw, who is currently participating in the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) and planning to fully retire at the end of spring 2021. From 2007 to 2021, full-time faculty levels have waned from five full time positions to two and a half.

The Art Building was approved by Governor Ronald Reagan in 1977 and completed in December 1978. As the previous program study noted, at the time the building was recognized as one of the best facilities for art and art history education on the West Coast. The application for NASAD approval in 1980 noted the superlative quality of the facilities. The original plan reserved a lecture room for Art History and space for a Visual Resources Collection. A small auditorium for a second lecture hall equipped with 150 seats alongside the building was planned but not built. The building was also designed to include the present University Art Gallery, the only purpose-built gallery within the California State University system, a gem now in dire need of maintenance.

In 2021, the building's condition has deteriorated and is in urgent need of significant maintenance, or replacement. Water damage has become common and recurrent. Leaks are a pervasive, ongoing problem throughout the art building, threatening the art collection, machines, and computers. Ceiling tiles have fallen during classes over students' heads. Multiple faculty
offices have flooded, damaging books, records, and computer equipment. Repair is needed to use the Gallery space which no longer has a viable floor. Risk Management and Continuity has assessed the art building as a fire risk and forbidden the use of a scissor-lift, drastically complicating the hanging of lights for exhibitions. Healthful air quality for staff, faculty, and students is also a concern due to the recurrent wildfires in California and currently with the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Goals of the Art History Program

The University catalogue clearly articulates the Department mission with reference to Art History. This mission has remained essentially the same since the inception of the program:

The Department of Art and Art History views the study and practice of art as complementary. The Art History program strives to increase its students’ understanding of the cultural context, meaning and purpose of the visual arts and architecture, and their disciplines. Art History supports the University’s mission as a liberal arts institution that prepares students to, in part, “have a broad cultural perspective” and to “have a keen appreciation of intellectual and aesthetic achievements.” The program stresses work in the classroom, Gallery, Visual Resources Collection, and internships in the field designed to intensify visual awareness, perception, encourage insight and skills in a variety of traditional and non-traditional areas, and refine powers of critical observation and written expression. Art History is by its nature interdisciplinary and it is the departmental philosophy that a grasp of the history and theory of art is indispensable for the art history and studio major as Art History is enhanced by hands-on creative activity. Moreover, given the large number of General Education courses offered in the Art History curriculum, basic skills, critical thinking, and visual discrimination are essential parts of all of its course offerings. Art History faculty fully acknowledge their responsibility to provide a curriculum that prepares its majors and students for work beyond the B.A. and at the graduate level, to pursue professional careers, and to apply their aesthetic and cultural education to active participation in their communities.

Because the California State Legislature founded Sonoma State College in 1960 to become the state’s Liberal Arts and Sciences institution, the University’s goal has always been to develop a strong liberal arts and sciences curriculum. The University affirmed this mission through its application to, and acceptance in 2000 by COPLAC (the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges) as COPLAC’s only recognized public Liberal Arts and sciences member institution in California. The inherently interdisciplinary, humanistic nature of the Art History program is in full alignment with the Liberal Arts mission of Sonoma State University. It remains an expectation of our National Association of Art and Design accreditation standards, as well an expectation by our fellow COPLAC institutions.
How the Art History Program serves the General Education Program

The Art History program has long served Sonoma State's General Education program. We offer both lower and upper division GE courses every semester, and regularly during intersession periods, serving large numbers of students. In addition to GE courses, the art history program routinely offers at least one highly in demand Writing Intensive Course (WIC) each semester serving the university's Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR). Both studio and art history majors can satisfy major requirements through Art History program GE courses.

The 2020-2021 Sonoma State General Catalog lays out the priorities of SSU's GE Program: "Sonoma State's General Education Program has 13 student learning outcomes designed to provide Seawolves with an intentional, coherent, inclusive undergraduate experience across multiple disciplinary perspectives. The program fosters broad transferable skills and integrated, engaged learning that positions students to create and participate meaningfully and ethically in our interconnected and interdependent world."2

Upon completion of General Education coursework, Seawolves will be able to:

- Actively analyze texts in a variety of forms, genres, and disciplines (Critical Reading)
- Iteratively formulate questions for research by gathering diverse types of information; identifying gaps, correlations, and contradictions; and using sources ethically toward a creative, informed synthesis of ideas (Information Literacy)
- Advance cogent and ethical arguments in a variety of genres with rigor and critical inquiry (Argument)
- Communicate clearly and eloquently in written, oral, and/or performative forms in a variety of genres and disciplines (Communication)
- Interpret, evaluate, and employ quantitative analysis and arguments (Quantitative Reasoning)
- Identify, interpret, and apply methods, intellectual approaches, and fundamental concepts from disciplines within the social sciences, natural and physical sciences, arts, and humanities (Disciplinary and Interdisciplinary Knowledge)
- Synthesize and apply theoretical and practical perspectives from multiple disciplines to develop an understanding of complex issues (Integration)
- Attain and apply knowledge of social power and difference in relations between self, other people, and social structures locally and nationally while honoring contributions of people of different identities (Diverse Cultural Competencies)
- Drawing on the past and present, develop knowledge and skills that promote active citizenship, with the capacity to deliberate, act and lead in a democratic society (Civic Responsibility)

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1 While we have sought exact enrollment numbers, this information has not been made available by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness.
2 Please see page 705: https://catalog.sonoma.edu/mime/media/5/1124/2020-2021+General+Catalog.pdf
• Explore past and present relationships among humans and between societies and environments and create new ways to cultivate a more secure and resilient future for all of our planet (Sustainable Development)
• Develop knowledge of past and present political, economic, and cultural relations operating at international to global scale (Global Awareness)
• Apply knowledge, skills, and multiple perspectives in new situations to analyze and formulate solutions to complex problems with confidence and creativity (Creative Problem Solving)
• Produce new work through performance, design, construction, art, or creative writing that is characterized by innovation, divergent thinking, and intellectual risk taking (Creative Expression)

The Art History Program has historically offered substantial numbers of both lower- and upper-division GE courses at Sonoma State. Sonoma State University has responded to EO 1100 by creating and implementing a new approval process for GE courses and requiring even courses previously offered as GE to be reapproved. The art history program has already submitted ARTH 160A/B, ARTH 210, ARTH 211, ARTH 454, and ARTH 465 for reaccreditation aligned with the thirteen General Education Learning Outcomes (GELOs) listed above and expect to keep serving the university's commitment to General Education. Professor Roberson will soon submit ARTH 270A and ARTH 270B for GE reaccreditation, too.

The study of art history aligns with Sonoma State's GELOs. Our courses cover a range of world cultures and enable students to develop critical thinking skills, and competency with historical evidence when analyzing cultural diversity, power structures, gender & sexuality, and how humans intervene and create ideologies through the use of visual media. Students gain the necessary skills to participate as informed citizens in a globally connected world.

It is unclear how much the unit change from three to four units mandated by EO 1100 for general education courses will impact the ability of the art history program to continue its abundant GE offerings. A load of four 3-unit courses is a significant increase in teaching load and labor burden from three 4-unit courses. Because we cannot hire undergraduate teaching assistants to help with grading, the increased workload falls entirely on the faculty member teaching GE courses. This affects both full-time and adjunct faculty in our department.

How the Art History Program supports the Sonoma State Strategic Plan

The art history program supports the university's Strategic Plan by sharing its core values and working on the Strategic Plan's named priorities: student success, academic excellence and innovation, leadership cultivation, and transformative impact.4

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3 Please see appendix for alignment of Art History courses with GELOs and PLOs.
VISION

Sonoma State University embraces innovation in our quest to be a national model for public higher education by 2025. Our graduating students are prepared to meet the challenges of the 21st century and to make an impact in the community and the world.

CORE VALUES

1. Diversity and social justice
2. Sustainability and environmental inquiry
3. Connectivity and community engagement
4. Adaptability and responsiveness

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

1. Student Success

Sonoma State aspires to be a national model for student success, which includes all aspects of the student experience, from academics to campus life to graduation. All members of our campus community have the responsibility to serve students with integrity and to provide the support services students need to succeed.

Supporting themes

Student success includes all aspects of the student experience, including: educational experience; timely progress to degree; graduation and retention rates; health and wellness services; and inclusive support services for a diverse student population. For students to be successful, we must support all aspects of faculty and staff success, including: hiring, retaining, and supporting diverse faculty and staff; building streamlined, up-to-date business processes; and maintaining a healthy campus environment. We prepare students to succeed in the workforce and to embrace lifelong learning.

2. Academic Excellence and Innovation

Sonoma State has high-quality, innovative academic programs that prepare students to flourish in a changing workforce and world. By educating beyond classroom walls and across disciplines, Sonoma State promotes synergy and creativity in a dynamic educational environment that responds to regional workforce and community needs.

Supporting themes

Sonoma State expresses this commitment by delivering distinctive, responsive academic programs; hiring and developing diverse faculty and staff; embracing innovative teaching and
learning; supporting research, scholarship, and creative activity; providing a solid foundation in
the liberal arts and sciences that includes hands-on, real-world learning; and maximizing
utilization of the Green Music Center, our environmental preserves, and other assets for the
benefit of all.

3. Leadership Cultivation

As the region’s only public four-year university, Sonoma State embraces its leadership role in
the North Bay and beyond. We prepare the next generation of leaders by providing students with
opportunities to learn the knowledge and skills needed to build a better society both locally and
globally.

Supporting themes

Sonoma State faculty and staff provide leadership in the broader community while also helping
students gain the leadership skills needed to bring innovative solutions to the challenges of the
21st century. Sonoma State supports opportunities for leadership development, mentoring, and
both personal and professional growth.

4. Transformative Impact

Sonoma State transforms the lives of students, families, and communities by providing
educational access and opportunity to help all students succeed. Our faculty and staff work to
transform our region, our communities, and our academic disciplines through service, research,
programming, and outreach.

Supporting themes

Sonoma State provides students with a transformative educational experience within a
framework of access and inclusive excellence. We empower our students to gain and practice
21st century skills, including: citizenship, civic engagement, collaboration, communication,
critical thinking, cultural competence, empathy, and problem-solving. Our faculty and staff
impact and transform the lives of our students as well as our local and global communities
through leadership, volunteerism, community engagement, research, scholarship, and creative
activity.

Student success

In terms of student success, the art history program is committed to assisting students achieve
their individual goals in the program. The art history faculty dedicate much time to individual
advising realizing that each student has a unique situation. Student satisfaction with advising in
the art history program is high. Our flexible major helps students graduating by opening as many
paths as possible to requirement completion.\(^5\) Our transfer students have great success within the

\(^5\) Information on average number of years to graduation in the Art History program has not been
made available by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness.
A plurality of graduating seniors apply to graduate programs in art history each year. Our students have secured prestigious internships at locations including the Albright-Knox Gallery in New York, the Anglim-Gilbert Gallery in San Francisco, di Rosa Center for Contemporary Art in Napa, and de Young Museum in San Francisco. We have had students accepted at graduate programs in museum studies at the University of York, the Courtauld Institute, American University John F. Kennedy University’s Center for Museum Studies; New York University; San Francisco State University; and University of San Francisco) and offered paid positions in museums and both nonprofit and commercial galleries including Cannon Art Gallery in Carlsbad, California; Charles M. Schulz Museum and Research Center; L.A. Louver Gallery; Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles; Museum of Sonoma County; Richmond Art Center; Roberts + Tilton Gallery, Los Angeles; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; Sebastopol Center for the Arts; Sonoma Valley Museum of Art.

Some alumni work or have worked for art collections including at the Getty, the Metropolitan Art Museum, the John Berggruen Gallery in San Francisco, and Sebastopol Center for the Arts. They have held positions including the Executive Director and CEO of the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art in Education, Director of Collections and Archives at the Artists’ Legacy Foundation, Art Registrar at the Oakland Museum of California, the Exhibition Designer at the Charles M. Schulz Museum in Santa Rosa, Director of Education and Public Engagement at di Rosa, and director of the Phyllis C. Wattis Foundation in San Francisco. Our alumna Carlie Wilmans is the Founder and a Trustee of 500 Capp Street (an artist house museum) in San Francisco.
Our student body has skewed White and female over the years. In Spring 2020 our student body was 80% female, 59% White, 56% both White and female. The percentage of female students has increased dramatically since Fall 2015. Most of the growth in the number of majors can be attributed to the increase in the number of female majors. Historical race statistics have not been made available by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness. We are interested in improving our outreach to BIPOC students and combatting the common misperception of art history as a Eurocentric and exclusionary field. The art history program is increasing its recruitment efforts at local community colleges and high schools.

The art history major offers great flexibility in completing the program. Introductory courses which also satisfy area C1 lower division GE can be taken at any class level and are not required prerequisites for upper division course work. Upper division courses can be taken in any sequence and there are several options for students looking to satisfy upper division C1 GE requirements. The only course which specifies timing is the ARTH 490 Proseminar taken fall semester of senior year. As a WIC (Writing Intensive Curriculum) the Proseminar also satisfies the Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR).

*Academic Excellence & Innovation*

The art history faculty are deeply committed to academic excellence. Students comment and occasionally grumble on the rigor of art history courses that eschew multiple choice exams and frequently require substantial research projects and in-depth critical reading. Students receive guidance and assistance in tackling these assignments. Our faculty believe that students should learn to form their own connections and viewpoints on art history and visual culture instead of merely repeating preselected information. Students reflect on material they have encountered in class and through reading and through independent research in reading responses, discussion, oral presentation, curatorial projects, and formal research papers.

The art history program emphasizes the skills to formulate and conduct serious research. The year-long FLC (First-Year Learning Course, also referred to as HLC (Humanities Learning Community)) teaches students information literacy with a scaffolded research project beginning with initial subject identification and then moving through research question formulation, proposed bibliography, annotated bibliography, and culminating in a formal reflective argumentative oral presentation spring semester.

*Leadership cultivation*

In art history courses students are encouraged to take ownership of their academic work and develop independent thought. We prioritize individual responses to reading, art works, and visual culture. All art history majors complete a substantial research project of their own devising in the proseminar their senior year. Each year the Bay Area Undergraduate Art History Research is held, Sonoma State faculty have selected a student whose work in the proseminar has been exemplary to represent the program. The student works closely with a faculty advisor to develop their work for formal public presentation. Students who choose may pursue a senior thesis (ARTH492) working closely with two advisors. Spring 2021, four students have chosen to do so.
Art history students have formed an Art History club as of 2020 where many of their members hold officer positions of leadership. The students provide each other much needed camaraderie and support during the pandemic. There are many opportunities for leadership within the nascent organization and potential ideas include inviting guest speakers to campus, hosting symposia, and organizing field trips.

**Transformative Impact**

The art history program at Sonoma State university makes a transformative impact in students' lives and their communities by opening the possibilities of interdisciplinary intensive study of visual culture. Study of visual culture is limited in K-12 education even though visual culture is of great importance to understanding the world and cultural diversity as a global citizen. The study of art history necessitates analysis of evidential sources and practice in both inductive and deductive reasoning producing the information literacy skills necessary for a world grappling with monumental changes in information distribution.

Sonoma State art history students have entered a variety of fields because the study of art history equips students with strong reading, writing, and critical thinking skills applicable to many endeavors. In a 2021 alumni survey, responses to "Please let us know anything you'd like to share about your life or achievements since graduating" include descriptions of work as a producer and production manager that build on the art history degree's training in creativity and project planning, a high school photography and history teacher in Sonoma County who has "travelled extensively in Europe and Asia thanks to Susan Moulton's [emerita] encouragement," careers in studio art and numerous juried art shows. One of our alumni is the author of the *Modern Witch's Guide to Magickal Self-Care*; another is finishing an MSc in Marketing and Digital Media graduate study in Madrid, Spain. The last response explained, "I felt in love with contemporary art after taking Michael Schwager's course, it was actually his Museum Theory course that inspired me to find a way to merge my two interests into one career path." Participant ID no. 10 wrote, "Even though I didn’t stick with art history or pursuing my masters in museum studies, I did figure out what my passion was. I now lead a COVID response team for services that Undocumented and low income community members can access. I still use the skills that I learned in my museum studies class and practice my creativity via other outlets. I plan on pursuing my masters in social work as a result." We can conclude that the art history B.A. from SSU provides a strong and flexible foundation for a variety of careers.

That said, the art history program does provide a strong foundation for further pursuits in art generally, museum and gallery management, and art history. A number of graduates have pursued advanced degrees in art history. Some work or have worked for art collections including at the Getty, the Metropolitan Art Museum, the John Berggruen Gallery in San Francisco, and Sebastopol Center for the Arts. They have held positions including the Executive Director and CEO of the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art in Education, Director of Collections and Archives at the Artists' Legacy Foundation, Art Registrar at the Oakland Museum of California, the Exhibition Designer at the Charles M. Schulz Museum in Santa Rosa, Director of Education and Public Engagement at di Rosa, and director of the Phyllis C. Wattis Foundation in san Francisco. Our alumna Carlie Wilmans owns 500 Capp Street (an artist house museum) in San Francisco. In
a statement of confidence in the program, Participant ID no. 19 in the 2021 alumni survey wrote, "I wish SSU offered an AH masters - I probably would have done it. Glad for the well-rounded AH education, and the passion of the teachers."

Curriculum

The art history program enables students to develop critical thinking, analysis, and visual literacy skills while developing a global knowledge of art history in variety of time periods and places. Research, analysis, critical reading, and information literacy skills are emphasized. The art history minor attracts many students in associated fields such as anthropology, art studio, communications, and modern languages, for its ability to enhance their major studies.

The curriculum introduces students to basic visual culture skills in lower division survey courses and then allows a great deal of flexibility in upper division study prior to the required senior year ARTH 490 proseminar course. Students may study art history and visual culture at the upper division level in whichever sequence they choose. Once they satisfy breadth requirements, students are free to concentrate in time periods or areas that interest them.
Coherence and Quality

The art history program successfully teaches area C1 GE skills in both lower division and upper division GE courses to majors and the Sonoma State University student body at large. Despite budgetary challenges, faculty have achieved a reasonable balance between GE courses and major courses. Sometimes this requires offering upper-division non-GE courses as Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) that attract a significant number of non-majors. We have struggled
to offer adequate courses in the Museum and Gallery Studies minor for the number of students who wish to pursue the minor. Anecdotally some students do not complete the minor for lack of class availability. It is unknown how many students are affected so severely by class availability that they are unable to complete the minor. Course availability in the Museum and Gallery Studies minor has been a noted problem since the 2006 review and has recently become more of an acute problem following the 2020 retirement of Gallery director Professor Michael Schwager, who offered the majority of classes in the minor. We are, however, lucky to have on board a qualified and experienced adjunct faculty member, Dr. Jennifer Bethke, who agreed to step in as interim director of the gallery and teach the required courses we can afford to offer in this time of campus wide low enrollment and its financial corollary. The number of students who have chosen to enroll in the Museum and Gallery Studies Minor has doubled one student 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 to two 2018-2019, to four 2019-2020. With a significant percentage of students enrolled in the minor each year, the Museum and Gallery Studies minor is popular enough to justify the funds to offer the classes. It would likely be more popular if students had more class availability. A respondent to the 2021 alumni survey wrote, "I would have liked more classes focused on Museum Studies to help break into the museum field after graduating. I was able to get employment in Museums but I did not understand many of the inter workings of the actuality of working in a museum."

The Museum and Gallery Studies minor attracts students with curatorial goals and prepares students for graduate studies. Students who have completed the minor in Museum and Gallery Methods have been accepted into graduate programs in Museum Studies (including California College of the Arts M.A. in Curatorial Practice; John F. Kennedy University’s Center for Museum Studies; New York University; San Francisco State University; and University of San Francisco) and offered paid positions in museums and both nonprofit and commercial galleries including Cannon Art Gallery in Carlsbad, California; Charles M. Schulz Museum and Research Center; L.A. Louver Gallery; Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles; Museum of Sonoma County; Richmond Art Center; Roberts + Tilton Gallery, Los Angeles; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; Sebastopol Center for the Arts; Sonoma Valley Museum of Art.

Our courses emphasize cultural competency and an understanding of time periods and cultures. In all art history courses, students engage with topics such as class, gender, race, politics, and sexuality. The program recognizes the historical euro-centric focus of art history has created ongoing biases and would like to improve the program's global perspective.

Alignment between Program Learning Outcomes & Courses

Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)

1. Students will develop a global knowledge of art history across time periods and places. They will be able to utilize appropriate vocabulary, concepts, and theories while discussing major artists, movements, and objects.

2. Students will gain understanding of diverse cultural and historical contexts from various ideological perspectives.
3. Students will develop skills in critical thinking, analysis, and visual literacy in order to articulate cultural, historical, and political meanings of art and visual culture.

4. Students will understand the relationship of art and visual culture to historical and cultural power structures including class, gender, race, politics, and sexuality.

**Pedagogical Methods, Approaches, Activities, Assignments**

The art history program employs a variety of pedagogical approaches, activities, and assignments to achieve PLOs. Some examples include reading responses, reading reflections, reading summaries, critical reviews, discussion posts, mini-essays," bibliographies, paper proposals, visual analysis papers, annotated bibliographies, creative assignments with commentary (example: after studying cubist collage, students make their own collage and explain their strategies), collaborative assignments, active learning assignments, museum visits, extra credit assignments, conference attendance, and field trips to Los Angeles, Chicago, and New York.

Courses vary in format from large lectures in GE classes to smaller seminars in most upper division courses. The art history program's historically smaller class size has allowed for more active learning assignments, oral presentations, and collaborative learning projects. Interaction among students encourages a sense of community, which is supported by the department both in the classroom and through faculty support of organizations like the Art History Club.

**Study & Internships**

Many students avail themselves of study abroad options particularly in Europe. These courses often satisfy major requirements in the Renaissance/Baroque period, resulting in reduced enrollment at the home campus. Students who study art history both as a major and a minor find the study abroad option attractive.

Twenty-four art history majors and minors participated in SSU study away programs from 2011 to 2019. All study away programs for the 2020-21 academic year were cancelled. Art history minors who participated in study abroad majored in Anthropology, History, Hutchins Liberal Arts, Psychology, and Studio Art. One Art History major was a Museum and Gallery Methods minor. The art history program has sent at least one student abroad every year between 2011 and 2019 with a high of five in 2011. Over half of art history majors and minors who studied away chose Italy. The popularity of Italy as a study away choice may impact enrollment in SSU's home courses in Italian art. The next most popular place to study was the U.K. followed by other locations in the USA and then Australia, Canada, France, and Ireland.
The minor in Museum and Gallery Methods provides students with a strong foundation in both the theory and practice of visual arts organizations through carefully selected courses as well as through internship opportunities. Over the years these courses have been offered, students have organized exhibitions for the Sonoma State University Library Gallery, worked on exhibitions for the University Art Gallery, and partnered with local arts organizations (Creative Sonoma, di Rosa Center for Contemporary Art, Petaluma Arts Center, Santa Rosa Recreation and Parks Dept., Sebastopol Center for the Arts, Sonoma County Museum, Sonoma Valley Museum of Art) on a number interesting and complex of projects.

Recommendations from previous reviews & progress achieved

The last program review was conducted in 2006 by Dr. Kathleen Cohen, Professor of Art History Emerita, of San José State University. She made 10 recommendations: 1) The governance of the department needs to be examined, 2) the Art Department and the School of Arts and Humanities need to develop strategic plans, 3) Establish a plan for what the department wants to do with
recapture of time from retiring and FERP positions. So long as the Department is growing, and
the department has a solid plan for using them in the most effective manner, positions vacated by
retiring faculty and those in the FERP program should be returned to the department, 4) Strengthen the non-western offerings of the art history program, 5) Review and simplify the art
history curriculum, 6) Consider making the Gallery program an emphasis in the major, 7) Develop more supporting for writing across the curriculum, 8) Increase resources to provide the
faculty and students with up-to-date digital facilities and access to adequate sources of digital
images, 9) Appropriate software to take advantage of the CSU IMAGE Project sharing of images
and cooperative cataloging, 10) Faculty input needed in the campus development of instructional
technology.

Dr. Kathleen Cohen's 2006 review concluded with,

" SSU has a strong Art History program, but it needs help in determining how to balance
the demands of general education and the demands of the major. Participation in
developing strategic plans for both the department and the school should help them achieve
a sense of security as they plan for the future. The university as a whole needs to more
clearly address the problem if writing and considerable tasks are laid out for everyone as
we move into the opportunities and challenges of the digital universe."

Now two decades into the twenty-first century, the art history program at Sonoma State has
made some progress in developing digital facilities and access to digital images (mainly through
the Library's subscription to the Artstor database). Cooperation between the art history program
and art studio program has improved, but we continue to struggle in other areas identified by
Dr. Cohen as problematic in 2006.

1) The governance of the department needs to be examined

Dr. Cohen recommended art studio and art history better coordinate two programs in a unified
department. It is my understanding coordination has improved since the 2006 report. Recently
joint efforts such as the department retreat organized by Dr. Christine Renaudin as interim chair
in 2018 led to the successful prioritization of a digital arts position aligned with the university
strategic plan that led to the hiring of Ms. Sena Clara Creston for a tenure-track position in
2020.

2) the Art Department and the School of Arts and Humanities need to develop strategic plans

Dr. Cohen recognized that, "the Art History program contributes substantially to the general
education enrollment of the school. A clear understanding of the obligations of the school in this
area and how the school intends to balance the needs of its major programs with the needs of GE
would be a great help to the art history faculty as well as to the faculty of other programs." The
art history program continues to serve the GE program with the First-Year Learning Course (also
known as Humanities Learning Community and formerly Freshmen Learning Community)
ARTH 160A/B, the survey courses ARTH 210 and ARTH 211, ARTH 270A, ARTH 270B, the
Second Year Research and Creative Experience seminar ARTH 273, upper-division courses
ARTH 454, ARTH 464, ARTH 465. The program also contributes a variety of WIC (Writing
Intensive Course) classes. Per CSU policy, we cannot hire student assistants as readers as, so Dr. Cohen's solution to allocate readers from programs with lower SFRs cannot be implemented. It would be helpful for the art history program to have a better sense of how it fits into the overall plans of the Art department and School of Arts & Humanities as Dr. Cohen suggested.

3) Establish a plan for what the department wants to do with recapture of time from retiring and FERP positions. So long as the Department is growing, and the department has a solid plan for using them in the most effective manner, positions vacated by retiring faculty and those in the FERP program should be returned to the department.

Faculty staffing remains a point of concern, even more so now than when Dr. Cohen reviewed the program in 2006. While Dr. McKillop's (retired 2009) courses are now covered by Dr. Ch'ien (hired 2017), the art history program has shrunk from five full-time positions to an anticipated two following Professor Jennifer Shaw's decision to end her participation into the Faculty Early Retirement Program in 2021. Professor Michael Schwager's retirement has left us bereft of a full-time faculty member in modern and contemporary art, and of a Gallery Director who teaches the Museum and Gallery Studies Minor courses. Once Professor Shaw retires, SSU's Art History program will not have a full-time faculty member who teaches art made after 1700. This is a grievous hole in any art history curriculum, but particularly in a program that serves studio majors who require modern and contemporary art history courses.

4) Strengthen the non-western offerings of the art history program

Dr. Jennifer Roberson's hire in Islamic art in 2007 strengthened the "non-western" offerings of the art history program considerably. In addition to courses in her specialty, Dr. Roberson teaches several courses in Asian art. There is desire to balance the art history curriculum, but resources to hire faculty both full-time and part-time to teach those classes remains elusive.

5) Review and simplify the art history curriculum

There is still work to be done to simplify the art history curriculum. Dr. Kathleen Cohen questioned why some classes were offered at both the 200 and 400 levels, namely 270A and 470A courses: Survey of South and southeast Asian and South and South East Asian Art. She also suggested the faculty consider collapsing several of the upper division courses such as Early Italian Renaissance Art and Later Italian Renaissance. When she wrote the report, the retirement of the faculty member who taught those courses was imminent. There is now a full-time early modernist (Dr. Ch'ien) covering those courses. Moreover, when different course content is taught under the same course number (such as with ARTH 474 Topics in Islamic Art), there can be student confusion. Even though the course catalog indicates the course is repeatable and the topic varies from semester to semester, students not infrequently assume they can take any individual course number only once. This inadvertently creates the impression of fewer course offerings and limits student curricular possibilities. The program is considering articulating the various topics offered in turn under ARTH 474 into separate catalog titles and course numbers to clarify the course offerings to students.

6) Consider making the Gallery program an emphasis in the major
Noting students complained about their inability to enroll in arts management courses due to a scarcity of offerings, Dr. Cohen suggested the program might solve this problem by creating an art history major with two tracks: "a liberal studies track that would prepare students to go on for advanced degrees in Art History, and another that will give them experience in Arts Management as well as the necessary intellectual background." The art history program disagrees with Dr. Cohen's recommendation because so many of our students do not view Gallery and Museum studies as separate from the studies needed for advanced degrees, which are themselves in turn required for careers in museums and galleries. Museum and gallery work is intellectual work rooted in liberal studies and academic art history at universities is intertwined with museum and gallery art history. It is also unclear that creating a second track would generate more funding to offer Gallery and Museum Studies classes.

7) Develop more support for writing across the curriculum
Sonoma State University now boasts a Writing Center and upper division Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) taught by faculty who receive regular training in writing pedagogy. Dr. Cohen noted in 2006 that the university's graduation requirement of writing proficiency was a "burden that lays on the faculty." While there is more university support for achieving writing competency now, the smaller course sizes advocated by Dr. Cohen for non-WIC classes have not happened. We are unable to hire student assistants as suggested by Dr. Cohen due to CSU restrictions on instructional labor.

8) Increase resources to provide the faculty and students with up-to-date digital facilities and access to adequate sources of digital images

The art history program has successfully transitioned from analog to digital resources since Dr. Kathleen Cohen's 2006 report. Unfortunately, that transition has come with a loss of support. With Karen Kessel's retirement, the Visual Resources library shuttered. Dr Cohen celebrated the half assistant position assigned to the Visual Resources Laboratory in 2006. None of that support still exists.

We do not have the digital scanners and digital camera recommended by Dr. Cohen that would facilitate the digitization of images for classroom and research use. While our classrooms have ceiling projectors and video and internet access, the projectors are not adequate for instructional use. All of the art department projectors frequently mutate images with wavy lines, distorted colors (patches of magenta), or disorienting (and possibly health-affecting) vibrating images. The projectors in art history lecture rooms 108 and 102 must be turned off partway through classes to rest in an effort to avoid some of the worst image distortions.

The computer in the seminar room 129 is known to require such a long time to turn on that faculty must enter the room an hour before a class starts to warm it up. The processing time for basic functioning, e.g. PowerPoint presentations, is too sluggish to allow normal classroom activity. It is far overdue for replacement.

9) Appropriate software to take advantage of the CSU IMAGE Project sharing of images and cooperative cataloging
Dr. Cohen recommended SSU purchase specific software to use the CSU IMAGE project which was created and run by Dr. Kathleen Cohen. SSU has determined its image needs are better served with a subscription to the ARTstor database purchased by the library. This program provides access to a very large number of high-quality images with reliable cataloguing, something absent through casual internet image searches. A large image database facilitates research on iconography, subject, period, culture, and of the type envisioned by Aby Warburg. It allows students to explore visual culture easily with credible information.

10) Faculty input needed in the campus development of instructional technology

Dr. Cohen's suggestion remains perennially relevant. The Center for Teaching & Educational Technology (CTET) provides voluntary training for faculty if they have the time to take advantage of CTET’s tutorials. The need for technology training has been made all the more apparent by the transition to remote teaching caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Canvas was adopted as the campus' Learning Management System in 2018. While imperfect and restrictive, Canvas functions reasonably well for art history curricular needs.

Upcoming disciplinary changes & how they affect curriculum

The art history major at Sonoma State University currently is structured towards periodization with a strong euro-centric bias. It does not reflect the increasingly global nature of the discipline of art history, student interest in "non-Western" courses, or the benefit of having a full-time Islamic art specialist, Dr. Jennifer Roberson, on the faculty.

Sonoma State University currently requires one "non-Western" upper or lower division course for the major; there is no "non-Western" requirement for the minor. Lower division courses that earn GE C1 credit such as ARTH 270A Survey of Islamic Art or ARTH 270B Survey of Asian Art do not count towards the major's lower division requirements that can only be satisfied with ARTH 210 & ARTH 211, the two halves of a survey previously conceived as "Western" and later modified to take "a global perspective." The catalog entry for ARTH 210 Introduction to Art History still refers to "primitive cultures."

Sonoma State Students can take courses in other departments that count towards the major such as NAMS 204 Introduction to Native American Arts, or CALS 479 Chicano/Latino Art History. Student replies to "Which classes not in the course catalog would you like to see offered at SSU?" asked on a Dec. 2020 voluntary survey of the majors mentioned African Art most frequently.

Courses outside the preexisting periodization structure must be offered as "special topics" or under another course number. For example, Dr. Shaw offers a course on William Blake under the ARTH 452 "Art in the Age of Enlightenment" catalog number, and Dr. Ch’ien teaches "Race and European Art" under ARTH 480 "Special Topics." Both courses have been offered more than once.
General Education at Sonoma State has changed significantly following the CSU Chancellor's EO 1100 issued in 2017. GE courses must now be offered at 3 units instead of Sonoma State's customary 4 units. This will impact faculty labor and the content of the courses, which will lose 25% of instruction time. The university's focus on assessment and the creation of "signature assignments" for each GE course will further divert faculty attention away from instruction and towards documentation of student assessment.

Assessment

Assessment of the art history program learning objectives is carried out with course-embedded assessments and a senior capstone project.

**Direct Assessment: Course-embedded assessments**

Art history faculty regularly use the following course-embedded assessment tools to evaluate student learning:

- Formal tests on objects, monuments, vocabulary, concepts, critical reading, cultural production, and visual culture phenomena
- Visual analysis papers that require visual skills and written expression
- Oral presentations
- Paper proposals
- Reading Responses & Reflections
- Reading summaries
- Critical Reviews
- Discussions both online and in person
- Bibliographies
- Annotated Bibliographies
- Creative Assignments & Reflection on Process and concept
- Catalogue essays on art works
- Curatorial assignments both conceptual and actual
- Museum visits & papers based on museum visits
- Extra credit assignments - critical responses to films, lectures, museum visits, performances, etc.
- Research papers
- Active learning assignments

**Direct Assessment: Capstone Projects**

The art history program includes a required capstone proseminar course and the option of pursuing a senior thesis for eligible students who desire to develop their work further. Both the

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6 Please see examples of assignments and assessment in the appendix.
proseminar and the senior thesis emphasize student-directed independent research projects. Students develop an argumentative thesis, perform research, and write a polished substantial work of original art history.

All art history majors complete ARTH 490 Proseminar in Visual Culture fall semester of their senior year. The course is designated a Writing Intensive Course (WIC) and fulfills the GWAR (Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement). Students concurrently study visual culture methodology and theory while developing a research project on a topic of their own choosing. The final papers present original research analyzed through deliberate theoretical and methodological approaches in order to produce strong argumentation. Student work is assessed for theoretical and methodological sophistication, the depth and quality of research, the strength of argument, and the persuasiveness and clarity of writing. Most students who apply to graduate programs use their final papers from the proseminar as their writing samples.

The senior honors thesis, ARTH 492, is an optional course for students in their final semester of the program. Students must have approval from two faculty advisors and enroll with a separate section with each advisor. Most students who take the senior honors thesis wish to further develop their proseminar papers. While the ARTH 490 proseminar includes revision, ARTH 492 emphasizes the iterative process of writing. The senior honors thesis has become increasingly popular among students who intend to pursue graduate study in art history because they gain further experience crafting advanced works of art history and developing original research. Four art history majors are enrolled in ARTH 492 spring semester 2021.

*Indirect Assessment: Exit Survey*

The art history program has not asked its graduating students to complete an exit survey hitherto. It is the recommendation of this self-study author that the art history program begin conducting an exit survey of graduating seniors during the fall semester proseminar which every art history major is required to take their senior year.

The December 2020 voluntary major survey asked respondents, "What are your life plans after graduation?" While the survey was not limited to graduating seniors, the answers can be used to build a general impression of post graduate plans. One third of respondents indicated they had plans to attend graduate programs. Nearly half (44%) mentioned specific career fields such as interior design, architecture, higher education, curatorial, and gallery ownership. A substantial number of art history majors view their degrees as required element enabling a larger plan.

*Indirect Assessment: Alumni Survey*

An alumni survey was conducted in early 2021 and twenty-one responses were recorded. As with other student responses, satisfaction with the program overall and especially instruction in the program is high. Alumni had mixed satisfaction with career advising and were not as uniformly satisfied with course offerings.
1. Why did you choose the Art History Program at SSU? Please choose all that apply.

- a. Reputation: 24%
- b. Faculty: 29%
- c. Range of courses offered: 39%
- d. Career goals: 9%
- e. Location of school: 7%
- f. Cost of attending SSU: 33%
- g. Subject matter interests me: 79%
- h. Took an art history class at SSU: 43%
- i. I don't know: 5%

(N = 21)

4. How satisfied were you with the Art History Program overall?

- 1 - 1. Very Unsatisfied: 0%
- 2 - 2. Somewhat Unsatisfied: 5%
- 3 - 3. Neither Satisfied or Unsatisfied: 5%
- 4 - 4. Somewhat Satisfied: 45%
- 5 - 5. Very Satisfied: 49%

(N = 20)
5. How satisfied were you with the instruction offered by the Art History Program?

(N=21)

- 1 - 1. Very Unsatisfied: 5%
- 2 - 2. Somewhat Unsatisfied: 0%
- 3 - 3. Neither Satisfied or Unsatisfied: 14%
- 4 - 4. Somewhat Satisfied: 30%
- 5 - 5. Very Satisfied: 62%

6. How satisfied were you with the career advising you received from Art History Program faculty?

(N=18)

- 1 - 1. Very Unsatisfied: 6%
- 2 - 2. Somewhat Unsatisfied: 17%
- 3 - 3. Neither Satisfied or Unsatisfied: 28%
- 4 - 4. Somewhat Satisfied: 43%
- 5 - 5. Very Satisfied: 10%
Alumni were asked in the 2021 survey, "How did the Art History Program help you reach your goals? If it did not help you reach our goals, what might it have done differently?" Most respondents expressed positive feelings: "It got me a degree in a subject I love. That's success to me;" "Helped me bring my education and skills into my grad program and Masters;" "Taught me more or less an artistic eye;" "I am able to teach high school art history with what I learned in the program;" "It was beneficial to expand my knowledge in the history of art and how it relates to today's art world;" "I think the program helped me be a stronger writer, develop my critical thinking skills and helped me identify my voice and opinions."

Other respondents in the 2021 alumni survey had trouble connecting their undergraduate experiences with their current careers ("I was interested in the subjects and gained a wide breadth of knowledge, but it has had little effect on my career;" "It absolutely helped me reach the goals I thought I wanted of working in an art gallery. Life just ended up going in other directions.")

Other respondents mentioned needing greater career advising: "It sadly didn’t. I left college with no idea what to do. I ended up going to a temp agency to get a job so that I could make a living. Now I am a payroll manager and work in Finance. I wish art history program had some program with realistic job offers or prep;" and "I felt very lost after I finished my art history degree. I ended up adding a second major instead of graduating so I could figure out what I wanted to do. I wish there had been more opportunities for internships, job fairs, or clubs in the department. I found the history department at SSU to be very tight knit and supportive. The program was more rigorous than the art history program, which I appreciated. There were more networking opportunities and “bag lunch lectures.” I got to know my professors more outside of class. I wish the art history department would have done more cross-content events with the art studio students/faculty."

Most concerning among responses to the "How did the Art History Program help you reach your goals? If it did not help you reach our goals, what might it have done differently?" question were those concerning representation, diversity, racism, and discrimination. Participant ID 10 wrote, "I feel like the field has a long way to go in terms of representation of BIPOC artist and their
history." More concerning still was an account of racism from a faculty member, "My experience in the program was incredibly challenging. The entire program and department and faculty lacked any commitment, awareness or accountability to diversity and equity. Classes were focused on Anglo-European art, with non-western art classes only offered as electives. Additionally, I had an incredibly harmful experience with [redacted], a professor whose extreme and intense racism made my time in her classes unbearable. I eventually became a target of hers, she accused me of not knowing English as a 1st language, accused me of not writing my own papers, and incorrectly presumed my ethnicity time and again. She was my supervisor for my final paper for my BA, and my time under her supervision was wildly inappropriate and severely damaging." It appears that the university and program did not provide an identified path for reporting inappropriate faculty actions for students, which is an oversight that should be remedied. At a minimum, syllabi can identify appropriate offices on campus where students can report harmful experiences. While the named faculty member has since retired, we know the student body in the Art History program has remained predominantly White. It is impossible to assess how such incidents affect enrollment, but they should not be discounted as part of the program's climate. Both art history program curriculum and instruction should not only take care to avoid racism in content and interpersonal interactions, but should adopt actively anti-racist practices. Dr. Christine Renaudin has dedicated part of each department meeting to discussion of diversity in the last year. It is clear that the art history program should also meet for a dedicated discussion of how we can ensure a positive and anti-racist climate moving forward.

The Art department has maintained a database of Art History program alumni. While faculty do hear from alumni, the program is in agreement that we should maintain contact with the program's alumni more deliberately going forward. As art history majors graduate this year, we will collect contact information and add to the database to maintain better connections with our graduated students. It is the recommendation of this self-study author that the art history program develop a protocol for alumni surveys that include determining frequency and subjects queried. The required senior proseminar suggests a convenient time to conduct an exit survey that includes a request for contact information. Communicating recent successes and news to alumni could occur annually with brief email or newsletter. The Art History Club might be interested in participating in this project.

Faculty

**Statistics**

Number of FT faculty: 2 Jennifer Roberson (Associate Professor), Letha Ch'ien (Assistant Professor)
Number of PT Faculty: 3 Jennifer Shaw (Professor, FERP), Jennifer Bethke (Lecturer), Anne-Louise Dierkes (Lecturer)
Staff: Carla Stone (Exhibitions Coordinator/Collection Manager), Brooke Tester and Douangta Sorensen, (interim part-time Administrative Coordinators and Analysts).
Student-faculty ratio for teaching

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As of Spring 2020, ARTH had 3.58 Full Time Equivalent Faculty (FTEF) members of which 2.78 were ladder faculty. The department’s count of Full Time Equivalent Students (FTES) was 94.51, which is roughly average for the period from Fall 2017 to Spring 2020, as the campus has been experiencing a drop in enrollment in the past four years. Between Fall 2014 and Spring 2017, FTES averaged 152.51.

The Art History Program's Student-Faculty Ratio (SFR) has historically been much higher than the Arts & Humanities School average. The Art History Program has averaged 30.47 compared to Arts and Humanities' 22.25. The highest SFR ratio occurred Fall 2014 to Fall 2016. In Spring 2019 ARTH SFR reached a low of 20.90. This decrease was driven primarily by a low FTES of 69.87.

The department’s Student Faculty Ratio (SFR) was 26.41 in Spring 2020, which is lower than the average of 2014 - 2020. Department SFR remains higher than that of the School of Arts and Humanities (A&H) in aggregate, but is nearer to the A&H SFR than it has been in the past.
Faculty profile

The art history faculty were hired to satisfy the needs of the art history curriculum. While all art history faculty can teach introductory classes such as ARTH160A/B and ARTH 210 and 211,
specialists are needed for upper-division courses. Recognizing the needs of the program, faculty regularly stretch to teach beyond the customary boundaries of specializations. Dr. Jennifer Shaw teaches eighteenth through modern and contemporary art in addition to the proseminar. Dr. Jennifer Roberson teaches Islamic art, Classical art, and Asian art. Dr. Letha Ch'ien teaches medieval, Renaissance (early modern), Baroque art history and the proseminar. Dr. Jennifer Bethke teaches modern and curatorial courses. Ms. Dierkes teaches introductory art history classes. They all have taught lower division GE courses.

Current GE distribution is as follows: Dr. Roberson teaches many lower division GE courses regularly teaching ARTH 210 and offering others in rotation. Dr. Shaw teaches many upper division GE courses. Dr. Ch'ien teaches the freshmen year-long ARTH160A/B and ARTH 211. Dr. Bethke teaches ARTH 211 and some of the upper division GE courses as needed. Ms. Amy Dierkes teaches ARTH 210 and 211, often also during intersession.

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**Dr. Jennifer Shaw, Professor**

Dr. Jennifer L. Shaw earned her B.A. in Humanities from University of California, Berkeley, her M.A. in Art History from the Courtauld Institute of Art, University of London, and her Ph.D. in Art History from University of California, Berkeley. In the course of her studies, she received the Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, and the George Lurcy Fellowship for Research in France among other awards. Prior to coming to SSU, Dr. Shaw taught at California College of Art, University of California, Berkeley, and Stanford University where she was Mellon Postdoctoral Fellow in the Humanities. Shaw is well known for her work on nationalism, subjectivity, gender and sexuality in late nineteenth and early twentieth century French art. She is author of *Dream States: Puvis de Chavannes, Modernism, and the Fantasy of France* (Yale University Press,) and two books on writer, photographer, and queer icon, Claude Cahun-- *Reading Claude Cahun’s Disavowals* (Ashgate/Routledge), and *Exist Otherwise: The Life and Work of Claude Cahun* (Reaktion Books, London)—which were the first monographs in English devoted to the artist. In addition, Shaw has published numerous articles and book chapters. Dr. Shaw’s article, “The Figure of Venus” originally published in the journal *Art History* broke new ground in understandings of paintings of the nude by setting it in the context of wider social debates about the status of gender in cultural discourse. Shaw’s work on the nude has been quoted at length in textbooks and cited in multiple books and articles. In addition to participating in conferences both nationally and internationally, Shaw has been an invited speaker at the National Gallery in Washington, D.C., the University of Cologne, Germany, the Santa Barbara Museum of Art, the Art Museum of Sonoma County, the Contemporary Jewish Museum, San Francisco, City Lights Books, San Francisco. More recently, Shaw has turned her hand to fiction and is currently completing her second novel which is based on the life of 17th C artist Maria Sibylla Merian. Dr. Shaw received Sonoma State University’s *Award for Excellence in Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity* in 2018. She served as Chair of the Department of Art and Art History at SSU. Dr. Shaw taught in SSU’s interdisciplinary SYRCE program for five years, and the FYE (FLC/HLC) program for three years as well as teaching lower division survey courses and upper division courses in art of the 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th Centuries, the History of Photography, and the senior capstone course. Dr. Shaw will fully retire at the end of Spring semester 2021, and we will need to cover her classes.

**Dr. Jennifer Roberson, Associate Professor**
Dr. Jennifer Roberson was hired in 2007 to teach courses in non-western art. These courses included surveys of Asian Art at the lower and upper division levels, and courses in Islamic art at the upper division level. By her second year, due to a retirement, she began teaching broader survey courses that focus on the western art tradition. As the department continued to shrink, she further expanded her course offers to support the integrity of the program. At the lower division level (all GE category C1) Dr. Roberson teaches ARTH210 Introduction to Art History (Prehistoric to Medieval), ARTH 211 Introduction to Art History (Renaissance to Contemporary), ARTH 270A Asian Art: South & Southeast Asia, ARTH 270B Asian Art: China & Japan, ARTH 270A Islamic Art, ARTH 270B Asian art. Also, she was among the A&H faculty who developed the Humanities Freshman Learning Communities (ARTH160A/B now called First Year Learning Course) that were launched in 2012. She taught the Art History Freshman Learning Community (ARTH160A/B), first with Professor Jennifer Shaw and then with Professor Michael Schwager, for a total of five years. At the upper division level Dr. Roberson teaches ARTH 474 Islamic Art: The Art of Islamic Spain, ARTH 474 Islamic Art: The Age of Empire, ARTH 470A Islamic Arts, ARTH 470B Asian Art: China & Japan, ARTH 480 The Medieval Mediterranean, ARTH 476 Art Beyond the European Tradition, ARTH 422 Greek Art and ARTH 424 Roman Art. In addition, Dr. Roberson has taught numerous 1 – 2-unit courses on a wide variety of topics. They include: Toledo: Multicultural Challenges of Medieval Spain, The Legacy of Genghis Khan, Crete: Dawn of European Civilization, Power & Glory of China’s Ming Dynasty, Terracotta Warriors of the Qin Dynasty, Baghdad in Its Golden Age, Constantinople and the Byzantine Millennium, Roman Republic, Charlemagne, Norman Sicily: Art and Power in Palermo, Wanderlust: Viking Raiders, Traders, Neighbors, Vienna on the Verge 1890-1918, The Celts: History, Art and Legend, Dawn of the Italian Renaissance (1275-1400), Norman Sicily, Renaissance Borgia Dynasty, Bronze Age Greece.

Dr. Roberson earned her BA in Art History & Archaeology at Bowdoin College and her MA and PhD in Art History at the University of Minnesota. Her research focuses on Islamic architecture in Morocco and Spain. In particular, her work examines mosque construction in the 20th century. Her current research focuses on the construction of mosques in Spain during the Spanish Civil War by Nationalist forces for the Moroccan soldiers who fought alongside the rebel Nationalists (such as Francisco Franco). These mosques, as well as Franco’s appropriation of the Islamic heritage of Spain, are virtually unknown among art historians. Dr. Roberson hopes to present her research at two international conferences in 2021. Also, she has published on the patronage of King Hassan II (r. 1961-1999) of Morocco, mosque construction in the late 20th century in Spain, as well as the treatment of historic Islamic monuments in Cordoba, Spain, during the 20th century Spain (during the Franco era and into the post-Franco era). In addition to her teaching and research, Dr. Roberson has served as Department Chair, as a member of the Academic Senate, the Arts & Humanities Curriculum Committee, the School of Extended & International Education Curriculum Committee, and the Arts and Humanities Task Force for GE revision among others.

**Dr. Letha Ch’ien, Assistant Professor**

Dr. Letha Ch’ien earned her B.A. in Art History from San José State University and a Ph.D. in the History of Art from UC Berkeley. Her dissertation, *Making Miracles at the Scuola Grande di San Marco from Bellini to Tintoretto*, was supported by the Fulbright Foundation, the Mabelle
McLeod Lewis Foundation, the Gladys Krieble Delmas Foundation, and the Townsend Center for the Humanities among other fellowships. Her work on race, identity, and multi-ethnic states has been published as "Polytopos: Multi-ethnic Practice in Venetian Imagery" in *Cultures and Practices of Coexistence in the Multi-ethnic Cities of the Mediterranean World, 13th - 18th Centuries* (Routledge), and in invited articles in the *San Francisco Chronicle*. Her book project on polytopos has received a short-term residency from the Fondazione di Giorgio Cini in Venice (unfortunately declined, since CSU professors are not eligible for difference in pay leave until they have accumulated six years of service credit), a Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity Award from Sonoma State, and a fellowship at the Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies. Dr. Ch'ien has kept an active conference schedule nationally and internationally chairing, organizing, and presenting on alterity, mobility, and borders. She has given invited talks at the Fromm Institute in San Francisco, the Berkeley Art Museum, Sacramento State University, and the Medieval Association of the Pacific. Prior to beginning her position at Sonoma State University in 2017, she taught undergraduate and graduate art history courses at UC Davis from 2015 - 2017. At Sonoma State, she has taught the year-long First Year Learning Course (FLC, also referred to as HLC) each year. She also teaches ARTH 211, a survey G.E. course fulfilling area C1 in addition to upper-division courses on late medieval and Renaissance art, and the senior capstone Proseminar. She teaches several of these courses as WICs (Writing Intensive Curriculum). She developed a new course titled "Race and European Art." Dr. Ch'ien is advisor to the art history club, President of the Northern California Association of Art Historians, a MacNair Scholars advisor, and faculty mentor for the SSU students at the annual Bay Area Art History Undergraduate Research Symposium hosted by the de Young. A recipient of the CSU Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Fellowship as an undergraduate, she has fulfilled the goals of the program by attaining a tenure-track position within the CSU.

**Dr. Jennifer Bethke, Lecturer**

Dr. Jennifer Bethke earned her B.A. in Art History at UC Santa Cruz, her M.A. in Liberal Studies at the New School for Social Research, and her Ph.D. in Art History at UC Berkeley. She received several predoctoral grants, including a fellowship at the American Academy in Rome. She has been a lecturer at Sonoma State University since 2012, and previously served two years as adjunct faculty at the University of Nevada, Reno. Dr. Bethke focuses on the intersection of art and politics in nineteenth and early-twentieth century Europe and the U.S. Her doctoral research concentrated on avant-garde Italy of the 1910s and 20s, and she has published book and exhibition reviews on art in modern Italy. Dr. Bethke’s career also spans museum curation and education, including work at the Nevada Museum of Art, the Museum of Sonoma County, and the Sonoma Valley Museum of Art.

At SSU, Dr. Bethke has covered a range of classes. Since Professor Michael Schwager's retirement August 2020, the Art department has lacked a Gallery Director. Dr. Bethke stepped into the position of "Interim Gallery Director" Spring semester 2021. In addition to the lower division GE classes ARTH 160A/B (First-Year Learning Course), ARTH 210 Introduction to Art History (Prehistory to Medieval) on occasion, and ARTH 211 Introduction to Art History (Renaissance to Modern), Dr. Bethke teaches ARTH 454 History of Photography, ARTH 464 Avant-Gardes of the Early 20th Century, ARTH 465 Modern Art from 1945-1979, and ARTH 468 Curatorial Practice. When Dr. Shaw began the FERP program Fall 2020, the department relied on Dr. Bethke to cover classes Dr. Shaw normally taught, especially G.E. upper division
area C1 classes such as ARTH 464. Since Professor Schwager's retirement, she has taught ARTH 465, another G.E. upper division area C1 class, and classes in the Museum and Gallery Studies Minor such as ARTH 468.

Ms. Anne-Louise Dierkes, Lecturer
Ms. Anne-Louise Dierkes earned her B.A. in Comparative Literature (French and English) at the University of California, Berkeley, followed by a M.A. in Art History at the Pennsylvania State University, University Park. After this, she earned her M.Phil. in Art History from the City University of New York, Graduate School and University Center, with a specialization in European and American art and architecture from 1750 to the present. As a Ph.D. Candidate, her primary research focused on postwar assemblage from California.

Ms. Dierkes has taught both face-to-face and online courses at Sonoma State since 2014, as well as at various other North Bay Area colleges since 2007. At Sonoma State, Anne-Louise has primarily taught ARTH 210, the Prehistoric to Gothic Art History survey course, both during the regular academic school year, and for the School of Extended and International Education during the summer and winter terms. She has also taught ARTH 211, ARTH 424, and ARTH 440. More recently, since Dr. Shaw’s retirement, she has taught an online version of the SYRCE seminar, ARTH 273 (Arts and Literature in the 1980s: Critical and Creative Readings and Renderings).

In addition to her activities at Sonoma State, Ms. Dierkes has developed art history lectures and courses for the chapter of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute hosted on campus and Oakmont, taught in a Paris study-abroad program (Santa Rosa Junior College, 2009), worked extensively with a private contemporary art collection (The Hess Collection, Napa), and participated in an archaeological expedition (Tel Dor, Israel, 1994).

Ms. Carla Stone, Exhibitions Coordinator, Collections Manager
Ms. Carla Stone is the Exhibitions Coordinator/Collections Manager for the University Art Gallery, and as staff, reports to the Administrative Manager of Arts and Humanities.

She is responsible for many aspects of the gallery’s exhibition program in addition to managing the campus’ permanent art collection which contains over 1,200 objects. Her responsibilities include making contact and building rapport with artists, galleries, and lenders; registration duties related to artwork loans (loan agreement contracts, insurance, shipping arrangements); budget management; media relations; event planning; fundraising and maintaining donor relations; coordination of the gallery’s annual fundraiser, Art from the Heart; organization of annual exhibitions of student work, the Juried Student and BFA Exhibitions; oversight of the gallery's internship program supervising students in gallery and collection methods. She acts as general gallery advocate and liaison to the entire campus and surrounding communities.

Stone previously held the position of Exhibitions Coordinator at the Two Dog Gallery at Santa Rosa Junior College where she taught Exhibition Design for several years. She holds an MA in Museum Studies from San Francisco State University.
How the faculty profile meets program goals

Prior to the recent retirements of Professor Michael Schwager and Dr. Jennifer Shaw, art history had four full-time positions following the 2017 hire of Dr. Letha Ch'ien to cover medieval and early modern courses. With Dr. Jennifer Bethke and occasionally Ms. Amy Dierkes covering necessary courses, primarily G.E. lower division surveys and SYRCE (the Second-Year Research and Creative Experience), the art history program was able to offer a regular rotation of courses in Asian surveys, ancient European, medieval and early modern, modern and contemporary European and US art, and Islamic art. It is, of course, crucial, to fill the two vacant positions as soon as possible.

Alignment of faculty specialization with curriculum, mission, quality

All faculty in the art history program have taught lower-division survey courses. Currently Dr. Letha Ch'ien teaches the year-long First Year Learning Course (FLC, also referred to as HLC) ARTH160A/B, lower division G.E. areas A3 and C1. Dr. Roberson, Dr. Ch'ien, Dr. Bethke, and Ms. Dierkes cover 210 and 211. Dr. Roberson also covers the lower division Islamic survey 270A and the lower division Asian survey 270B, both lower division G.E. area C1 courses. Dr. Shaw teaches the upper division G.E. area C1 courses ARTH 454 and ARTH 464 and Dr. Bethke covers ARTH 465, another upper division G.E. area C1 course following Professor Schwager's retirement. Dr. Ch'ien teaches ARTH 442 and 450 as WIC (writing intensive curriculum) courses and the proseminar ARTH 490.

Dr. Shaw currently teaches upper-division courses in modern European art. In addition to lower-division surveys, Dr. Roberson teaches 422 Greek Art, 424 Roman Art, 470 Survey of Islamic art, 470B Asian Art, and 474 Topics in Islamic Art (the focus varies semester to semester). In addition to survey courses and the proseminar required of graduating seniors, Dr. Ch'ien teaches 432 Post-Millennial Issues in Medieval Art, 442 The Self-Conscious Italian Renaissance, 450 Baroque Art: Object to Artwork, and ARTH 480 Race and European Art. Dr. Ch'ien and Dr. Shaw have supervised senior theses together. Dr. Bethke has covered many of the European and American modern art classes and is now adding curatorial classes in the Museum and Gallery Studies minor to her profile following the retirement of Professor Michael Schwager. Dr. Bethke has heroically risen to the occasion, but it is not reasonable to expect her to cover the course loads of two full-time faculty in addition to the classes she was already teaching prior to Dr. Shaw and Professor Schwager's retirements.

As of spring 2021, we believe the art history faculty (full- and part-time) are meeting the mission of the program, though providing courses in the Museum and Gallery studies minor following Professor Schwager's retirement August 2020 has been challenging. Some students have had to substitute courses taken at other universities. While we have carefully rotated courses to ensure graduation opportunities for students, we have not been able to offer as many courses as would comfortably ensure easy paths to graduation for all students, especially those who take a leave of absence or cannot attend school full-time. After Professor Shaw's retirement at the end of spring semester 2021, we will likely face more difficulty adequately offering the classes our students need. We thank Dean Hollis Robbins for providing funds to hire Dr. Jennifer Bethke to cover
certain classes from the Museum and Gallery Studies major, and for Dr. Ch'ien to offer ARTH 480 Race and European Art spring 2021.

New trends since last review

At the time of the last review there were five full-time art history faculty. Dr. Susan Moulton and Dr. Susan McKillop have since retired. There were no hires between Dr. Jennifer Roberson, in 2007, and Dr. Letha Ch'ien, in 2017. Professor Schwager's retirement at the beginning of fall semester 2020, and Dr. Shaw's retirement following spring semester 2021 will leave the program with only two full-time art history faculty. Since 2012, Dr. Jennifer Bethke has taught at Sonoma State as a lecturer, which attests to the need the program has for faculty to cover the existing Art History B.A., minor, and Museum and Gallery Studies minor. In addition to Dr. Bethke, a number of adjunct faculty have taught courses in the Museum and Gallery Studies minor. Ms. Amy Dierkes has often taught the art history survey courses 210 and 211 and occasionally SYRCE as well.

Since the last review, course offerings in Islamic art have been developed by Dr. Jennifer Roberson who was hired in 2007. Since Dr. Letha Ch'ien was hired in 2017, it has been easier for students to fulfill their period requirements in medieval and Renaissance/Baroque art. The Museum & Gallery studies minor is newly imperiled with the retirement of Professor Michael Schwager in 2020 without a plan for his replacement in the current hiring freeze.

The art history major has added a full year of a foreign language to fulfill NASAD accreditation requirements. Finally, due to EO 1100's requirements, General education courses will soon be offered only at three units.

Adequate faculty to maintain program quality

The art history program will soon lack adequate faculty to maintain program quality overall even while individual courses remain excellent and advising excellent as well. With the retirement of Professor Michael Schwager Fall 2020 and the retirement of Professor Jennifer Shaw Spring 2021, the number of ladder faculty has been halved.

As stated in the Alignment of faculty specialization with curriculum, mission, quality above, the Art History program has faced difficulty offering the courses that students need frequently enough, and we anticipate the difficulty growing following Professor Shaw's retirement at the end of spring semester 2021. We have struggled to cover our existing classes even while the discipline and times demand expanding our global range.

The program prides itself on personalized intensive advising and many of our students go onto graduate programs. We participate in the annual Bay Area Art History Undergraduate Research Symposium at the de Young. In 2020, an Art History Club was formed to help maintain connection and camaraderie during the pandemic and to facilitate professional development. Dr. Letha Ch'ien is the faculty advisor for the club. Because the studio program has also suffered the loss of faculty, art history faculty have also been advising some studio students. Dr. Shaw assumed advising photography emphasis in 2019.
Adequate support for faculty professional development

The art history program has lacked a visual resource librarian since 2016. We do not have assistance with administrative tasks including scanning readings for courses. Nonetheless, the art history ladder faculty have maintained active and superlative professional profiles regionally, nationally, and internationally.

- Dr. Jennifer Shaw received a sabbatical in 2008-2009 to finish her book *Reading Claude Cahun's Disavowals*, and a RSCAP 2018-2019 mini grant for book research in Iceland. While on sabbatical in 2018, she spoke at the Musée d'Orsay, Louvre, and College Art Association, participated in online writing courses, and had a residency in Isafjordur, Iceland.

- Dr. Jennifer Roberson received a 2018 RSCAP and sabbatical Fall 2018 for "Mosques in Nationalist Zones during the Spanish Civil War." She has received travel awards for conferences 2011 - 2015. Previously she was awarded a RSCAP for "Mosque Architecture & King Mohamed VI of Morocco" in 2008.

- Dr. Letha Ch'ien received a RSCAP 2019 - 2020 to travel to Venice for research on her book project titled *Polytopos: Venice, Empire, Art*. She has received multiple conference travel grants. She was able to develop a new course titled "Race and European Art," which has been offered twice under the "ARTH 480 Special Topics" catalog code.

- Dr. Bethke has not received support for professional development.

The art history program prides itself on its commitment to faculty governance and faculty are active in service.

- Dr. Shaw has served on the Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee 2006-2010 and subsequently, the School of Arts and Humanities Professional Leave Committee 2010-2011, the Arts and Humanities Learning Community Pilot program 2011-12, the School of Arts and Humanities RTP Committee 2011-2012. She served as chair of the art department 2014-2017.

- Dr. Roberson's service to the department includes coordinating Seawolf Days, the Department PR Committee, Curriculum Committee, serving as Library Liaison and Search Committee Chair in 2016-2017. She also served on a 2008 and 2017 search committee. Her service to the University includes the Ad Hoc Committee for the Singapore Program, the Faculty Subcommittee on Sponsored Programs Committee, the Academic Advising Subcommittee 2008 - 2012, the Grievance Committee 2007-2014, the Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee 2008, 2011-2012, 2019-2020. Dr. Roberson served as department chair 2019 - 2020 and is a current member of the School of Extended and International Education Curriculum Committee.

- Dr. Ch'ien currently serves as chair of the Structure & Functions committee and is a member of the Scholarship Subcommittee and the President's Advisory Council on Diversity. She served on the Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee 2017-2018. In the department, she is faculty advisor for the Art History club, and has served as faculty mentor for the annual
Bay Area Art History Undergraduate Research Conference held at the de Young Museum in San Francisco.

Program Resources

Student support

Student advising of majors and minors in the Art History program and museum and gallery studies minor has been performed by full-time faculty. Prospective majors and incoming students both first years and transfers are directed to program faculty for advising. Advising consists of ARR consultations, graduation plans, career plans, and often graduate school application reviews. We also do a substantial amount of General Education advising for our students. Art history faculty have participated in prospective student days and more informal campus visits.

Students report high satisfaction with art history program advising as per reports on the Dec. 2020 survey of majors. 74% of respondents reported being very satisfied with advising in the program.

I would like to see the art history program avail itself of more work study students. Some work study students have worked in the department office. While we can no longer offer readerships, Instructional Student Assistants could perform many other tasks unrelated to instructional assessment that would be educational for them and beneficial to faculty.

Campus support services

Campus support services provide necessary and welcome support for students in the Art History program. The university provides many services for students that range from health to academic services and supplementary opportunities. Students in the art history program have been supported by the Writing Center, Disabled Student Services, EOP, the Lobo's Food Pantry, work-study opportunities, CAPS (Counseling and Psychological Services), and Study Abroad.

The Writing Center - http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/
The Writing Center is part of the Learning and Academic Resource Center on campus and provides supplemental tutoring and support for students, faculty, and staff with writing. They are available for one-on-one tutoring sessions or ongoing meetings. There are study sessions to assist with course content as well.

McNair and Sally Casanova - http://web.sonoma.edu/mcnair/ and https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/faculty-staff/predoc/SallyCasanovaScholars
The McNair Scholars Program assists underrepresented students in achieving placement in graduate programs. The art history program has its first McNair Scholar this academic year and the student is enthusiastically recruiting others in the humanities to apply.

The Sally Casanova program helps students prepare for doctoral programs. The art history program has an alumna among its faculty and will have its first applicant to the program Spring 2021.
Study Away - http://international.sonoma.edu/study-away
Study away provides students an opportunity to immerse themselves in a different culture and expand their studies with new perspectives. Art history students regularly avail themselves of this option primarily in Europe, with Italy the favored country of over half of art history study away students.

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) - http://eop.sonoma.edu
The educational opportunity program assists many low-income, historically disadvantaged, and first-generation students. Their work with art history majors has helped the students stay on track to graduate.

Lobo's Pantry - https://studentaffairs.sonoma.edu/student-resources/lobos-pantry
CSU students face much food insecurity and Sonoma State is no exception. Lobo's Food Pantry works to provide consistent nutrition for students in the community. They also connect students to other community food resources and offer tips on stretching a food budget and making fresh produce last.

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) - https://caps.sonoma.edu
Counseling and Psychological Services has been vital always, but has particularly been needed during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. CAPS supports student mental health with individual and group counseling, workshops, and crisis intervention. The university has recently hired additional counselors and wait times for appointments are shorter.

Disability Services for Students (DSS) - http://dss.sonoma.edu
Disability Services for Students at Sonoma State University works to ensure equal access for students with disabilities. They provide accommodation guidelines for faculty, specialized support for students, and render course materials accessible.

Support for student research

Students in the art history program have multiple opportunities to develop their research skills and pursue research projects of their own interest. Classwork at the lower and upper division levels routinely involves research projects. Students in the freshmen HLC ARTH 160A/B begin a research project fall semester on an object or monument of their choice that culminates in a formal oral presentation spring semester. Upper division students create curatorial projects requiring researching and frequently complete research papers on topics of their own choosing in consultation with a faculty member. The proseminar offers great creative latitude in research topic choice, and students may continue their work with an optional senior thesis course the following spring semester. Some students avail themselves of independent studies working closely with a faculty member.

Internships both on campus at Sonoma State University's art gallery and in the community broaden students' exploration of the art world and the possibilities of art historical research.
Instructional support

There is none. We no longer have a Visual Resources Librarian following Karen Kessel's retirement in 2016. We may no longer hire student teaching assistants. We do not have department, school, or work study support for hiring students to complete minor but time-consuming tasks such as scanning readings. A small amount of money for these tasks would considerably reduce the burden on faculty, especially those who teach large GE courses.

Library & information resources

The art history program is supported by librarians who work very hard to satisfy the art history program's needs. Ms. Mary Wegmann serves as the arts area specialist librarian. Dr. Jennifer Roberson served as library liaison until 2018, when Dr. Letha Ch'ien assumed the position, but all librarians have responded to all faculty needs.

Librarians work closely with students. Ms. Catherine Fonseca, Ms. Laura Krier, and Ms. Mary Wegmann have all taught library research sessions for art history students. They tailor presentations to the level of the course and its content. Research sessions have continued online during the COVID-19 pandemic. A number of students at both the lower and upper division level schedule individual meetings and receive targeted personalized assistance at all stages of a research project from initial question formulation to finding sources to formatting citations. Ms. Wegmann has been very generous with her time in meeting with students.

The research collections could be improved. The collections of books both physical and e-book tend to be outdated. Increasing our access to e-books should be a high priority. CSU+ and Interlibrary loan are welcome supplements to SSU's collection, but do increase time needed for research and necessitate even lower division students learning how to use external databases like Worldcat.org.

The art history program is grateful for the continued database access to Art Full Text and ARTstor. JSTOR and other general databases are very helpful, but we suffer from a low tier level of access to JSTOR. These results can erroneously lead students (and faculty!) to assume a particular topic has been exhausted or is not represented in the database. Greater depth of JSTOR access would be the most effective research aid the campus could provide benefitting all programs.

The valor of librarians during the COVID-19 pandemic cannot be overstated. They have invented new systems of connecting students and faculty with resources while working in constrained conditions. They have kept ILL functioning, digitized a wide variety of resources, and discovered new ways of making resources available to classes through the LMS.

Adequate technology resources

The art history program benefits from "smart" classrooms that are wired for projection with overhead mounted projectors and darkening shades in Art 102. (Shades are not needed in Art 108, a lecture room without windows.) The setup works well, but the projectors are antique and
need to be replaced. The projector in Art 108 needs to be shut off for a "break" every 1.5 to 2 hrs or else it will shut itself off. The projector in Art 102 also needs a "rest" after every 1.5 to 2 hours of class or else it will shut itself down. The Art 102 also frequently projects a magenta hue and wavy moving lines that can cause headaches for students. The Art 102 projector has resisted efforts to ameliorate the situation. In seminar room Art 129, the computer notoriously requires such a lengthy bootup period that faculty have been known to sneak out of earlier classes to turn the computer on before a later class held in Art 129. The Art 129 computer also runs very slowly impeding slide presentations, the basic activity in art history classes.

Necessary equipment can be procured – by ladder faculty. Adjunct faculty do not automatically receive laptops or other necessary teaching equipment, which would need to be approved by the department chair who would need to obtain resources from the Dean's office. When a microphone was needed for a large lecture class in Ives 101 by a lecturer starting in 2015, funds were not released until a ladder faculty co-teacher of the same class repeated the request in 2017.

Art history faculty have made great use of Canvas and other programs like YuJa media/video software that can be integrated into the LMS. The Center for Teaching & Educational Technology on campus offers workshops, trainings, and one-on-one consultations. It is generally easy to get support. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the university has made some money available for remote technical equipment such as external monitors and headsets.

**Adequate instructional spaces & facilities**

The art history program and art department at large do not have adequate instructional spaces and facilities. The state of the building is not only in poor repair, but regularly causes property damage and threatens safety. Water penetrates from above, below, and through walls. Fire risk is high, ventilation inadequate.

Conditions inside classrooms fail to meet needs. Many rooms suffer from inadequate heating and cooling or temperatures mismatched with the weather. Very cold temperatures inside the painting studios in Art 132 on hot summer days have forced students to wear winter clothing while working. Temperatures inside art history lecture rooms 102 and 108 are often very hot and do not respond to thermostat controls in the classrooms. Faculty and students have been scolded for propping open doors amid assurances that the ventilation system works. Signs have been posted on doors forbidding grassroot attempts with a doorstop for ventilation or bodily comfort. In 2019, a ceiling tile fell in art history lecture room 108 during class. Students had to move into a different area of the classroom.

Water inside classroom is a pervasive issue. The seminar room 129 has experienced ceiling flooding after rain for at least the last two years including during interviews for a tenure-track hire spring 2019. The lithography room experiences leaks in three spots after even light rain: one over the printing press that must be covered with plastic and topped with a bucket, one over the print roller that faces rust due to the moisture, and over the computer. A January facilities’ check by Aimee Graham, Instructional Support Technician III, found leaks over a printer.
Walls have rotted permitting rain to penetrate the building causing more water damage. 2019 partial repair of some areas of roof concentrated on outdoor covered walkways and not on classroom or office spaces. All of the 2-D area classrooms experience leaks over students and specialized equipment including computers. Faculty regularly have to place buckets around the classrooms.

In 2018 and 2019 heaters in faculty offices have flooded and caused water damage to university and personal property. Office Art 135 flooded due to a heater malfunction. The heaters in offices Art 105, and 103 do not work. A clogged overflow drain on the building's flat roof caused three faculty offices to flood. The walls had to be torn out and plumbing redone in 2019. The process took almost an entire year. Also in 2019, faculty office Art 103 flooded when fire sprinklers malfunctioned by activating without a catalyst causing damage to the room and property inside.

Repair is needed to use the Gallery space. Because the gallery floors have been re-sanded repeatedly over the last forty years, they are too thin to support the weight of a scissor lift, which is required to change lighting for each show. Without the ability to replace lightbulbs and change lighting, physical shows cannot be staged at the Gallery. Additionally, overall care is needed to improve the appearance and structural integrity of other features of the Gallery space such as the planter boxes at the entrance, which are splintered and disintegrating. Water leaks led to the destruction of some Leonard Baskin framed prints and subsequently, the art department's collection was moved to Room 107 in 2015. The Gallery roof was repaired in 2019, but unfortunately still leaks. Also concerning is the notification in 2021 from the Director of Environmental Health and Safety that asbestos is in the building materials of the Art Building and only Facility Management employees are authorized to make "wall penetrations" or use a scissor lift. Per an email from Director of Environmental Health and Safety Ruth LeBlanc to Gallery Manager Carla Stone February 2, 2021: "please note the Art Dept has now been notified to not rent, purchase or utilize a scissor lift on SSU property without consent from EHS. All wall penetrations to hang art work or secure art work should be coordinated with Facility Management (FM), whose employees are trained and authorized to perform that work." Timely communication between Facility Management and/or Environmental Health and Safety with the department could be improved.

The art collection overseen by Gallery Manager Carla Stone grew significantly in 2015 with the donation of 450 framed artworks from Imagery Winery. Since then, an official storage facility has been created for the Collection in Art 107, which formerly housed the Visual Resources Library, shuttered in 2016 with the retirement of Karen Kessel, the slide librarian. The collection serves the university in multiple locations. Works can be seen at the Green Music Center, the President's Gallery and suites, the Wine Spectator Learning Center, and other highly visible public areas on campus. Unfortunately, Art 107 also suffers from lack of proper maintenance. The roof leaks in and the ceiling over the office area collapsed in early 2017. The roof continues to leak in 2021. The walkway outside Room 107 that abuts the department office, Room 133, floods periodically following rainstorms. Carla Stone, the Gallery Manager, checked Room 107, the collection storeroom, following a January 2021 rainstorm and discovered wet ceiling tiles in there as well. We are concerned for the safety of the collection between a chronically leaking roof and a flooded walkway. Ideally, a new and larger facility would be made available to house the collection.
Risk Management and Continuity has assessed the art building as a fire risk. The particular shape of the exterior siding is highly flammable. This is of concern in a region that experiences many fires annually. Sonoma State regularly must evacuate students from on-campus housing due to the threat from fire.

Healthful air quality for staff, faculty, and students is a concern. The recurrent fires diminish air quality both outside and inside buildings. Dangerous levels of air pollutants are an especially serious health concern in a building in which rooms primarily face the outdoors, and the state of the ventilation system is unknown in both classrooms and offices. During an airborne pandemic, adequate ventilation should be of utmost priority.

**Adequate Staff Support**

The art department is a complex department with an art history program, a studio program, and a BFA. In August 2020, our Administrative Coordinator and Analyst was reassigned to the CTET before retiring in December 2020. She was replaced with two half time positions occupied by Ms. Brooke Tester and Ms. Douangta Sorensen, who also serve full-time in this capacity for the Music Department and the Theater Arts & Dance departments respectively. Ms. Brooke Tester supports out department primarily with the schedule and academic related items, while Ms. Douangta Sorensen takes care of items related to the financial aspects. Both spend a lot of time making sure paperwork gets properly signed and shuffled electronically between remote offices. Their work has been extraordinary, but the load is heavy. Despite best efforts from them, department chair Dr. Christine Renaudin, and supervisor Administrative Manager in the School of Arts and Humanities Ms. Tai Russotti, it can be confusing for faculty and students to know which areas are covered by whom, resulting in some unnecessary doubling of work. We have been assured that this is a temporary situation, and that we should be assigned a full time Administrative Coordinator and Analyst once we return to campus.

The art history program has been without a Visual Resource Librarian since 2016. There are no plans to replace the position. The art history program has no instructional support staff or work study allotment. Students have complained about poor scan qualities in required course readings and I, assistant professor Letha Ch'ien, have struggled to find time to request sources through ILL, collect them, and scan them anew. Instructional support would be very helpful, especially given the workload associated with GE courses.

**Changes that could affect resources in the foreseeable future**

It is likely that the superannuated art department building will continue to disintegrate and become increasingly dangerous.

Retirements, the current hiring freeze, and uncertain funding for lecture faculty will likely continue to restrict the art history program's ability to offer adequate number of courses in all areas including GE. Classes for the Museum and Gallery Studies minor are most imperiled following Gallery Director Professor Michael Schwager's retirement without a clear plan to replace the position.
All of the department’s current majors entered SSU from California high schools, colleges, or universities. Most of those schools are located in Northern California, and they are particularly concentrated in the Santa Rosa and San Francisco areas. Interestingly, only 38% of respondents in a 2021 alumni survey indicated that the location of the school was a factor in choosing the Art History program at SSU.
2020 Art History Program Review
Sonoma State University

Number of degrees conferred Fall 2015 - Fall 2020

Spring 2020 Major Class Standing

- Senior: 36.7%
- Junior: 16.7%
- Sophomore: 6.7%
- Freshman: 40.0%
Retention trends & time to degree

Unfortunately, this data has not been made available by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness.

Students' reasons for choosing the SSU Art History Program

In a voluntary survey of current art history majors conducted December 2020, students primarily choose the SSU art history program prior to starting college or joining Sonoma State University. 42% of respondents decided to major in art history before starting college. A full fifth of respondents chose art history at a different school, and 11% "some other time." Indicating that the lower division survey courses are effective recruiting tools for the major, 11% of respondents decided to become an art history major in ARTH160A/B and 16% in ARTH 210 or ARTH 211.

Enrollment trends

The number of Art History majors, Art History minors, and Museum and Gallery Studies minors as steadily increased from Fall 2015 to Spring 2020. An increase of seven majors in Fall of 2015 to thirty in Spring 2020 more than quadrupled Art History program majors in four academic years. In the same period of time, the number of Art History minors tripled from six to eighteen and we moved from a nadir of no Museum and Gallery Studies minors to four. This impressive growth in the program occurred even though overall enrollment at Sonoma State University has decreased in recent years. The strongest enrollment gains in the last five years occurred when the
program had four full-time art history faculty following the hiring of Dr. Letha Ch'ien in 2017. It is unclear what effect the retirements of Professor Michael Schwager in 2020 and the upcoming retirement of Professor Jennifer Shaw will have on art history program enrollment.

The number of majors in Spring 2020 was the largest of any point since Fall 2015 and is representative of a steady increase in majors. Gallery and Museum Studies minors also increased steadily from none in the 2015-2016 academic year to a robust eight in the 2019-2020 academic year. It is unknown how the 2020 retirement of Professor Michael Schwager, who taught most of the Museum and Gallery Studies minor courses, will affect enrollment and the ability of the department to offer courses in the minor. Anecdotally, spring semester 2021, at least two students have dropped the minor due to limited course availability.

Even though Art History program enrollment has grown, we are aware of the difficulties lower overall enrollment at the university can cause. The Art History program has taken steps to improve recruitment. Ms. Anne-Louise Dierkes who also teaches at Santa Rosa Junior College has worked with Ms. Jenny Braun, lecturer in the studio program, to recruit local junior college students. Dr. Letha Ch'ien will visit some of Ms. Anne-Louise Dierkes' classes this spring semester. Dr. Christine Renaudin participates in recruitment of incoming students for art history classes including the FLC (First-Year Learning Community).

**Student and alumni perceptions of the program**

Student perceptions of the art history program at SSU are positive. In a voluntary survey of current art history majors conducted December 2020, 42% reported they were "very satisfied" and 47% reported they were "mostly satisfied." Only 11% reported being "somewhat unsatisfied." In an alumni survey conducted February 2021, 90% of respondents reported being either "somewhat satisfied" or "very satisfied" in equal measure.

One of the major factors for student satisfaction within the program is the quality of advising. Three quarters of respondents said they were "very satisfied" with advising within the art history program. No respondents were somewhat or very unsatisfied. Respondents also feel personally comfortable in the art history program. 95% of students feel either "very" or "mostly" comfortable in the art history program. However, because this information comes from a survey of students who already chose the major, we should be attentive to potentially unwelcoming program aspects to students who ultimately did not decide to join the art history program.
It does seem that there has been recent improvement with career advising because in a February 2021 survey of alumni, career advising satisfaction was much more mixed.

Current students are not as satisfied with course availability as they are with other aspects of the program. 11% of respondents were "very satisfied." Recent and anticipated retirements will likely exacerbate current staffing challenges made more difficult by budgetary constriction.
Respondents to the current student Dec. 2020 survey expressed a clear preference for smaller class sizes and in-person classes. All respondents preferred classes under 45 students and 37% preferred classes of 15 or fewer. Sonoma State is well known among CSU campuses for its small class sizes, and this may be a decisive factor for students who choose our art history program.

In-person classes were the preference for most students followed by bisynchronous online classes, synchronous online classes, a mixture of in-person and online courses. Asynchronous online classes were the least preferred option. One student replied to "what do you wish the art history program knew about your experience?" with "How much I wish we were all back on campus learning together." Nevertheless, students have commented that it is easier to balance work with school when classes are online and that they are able to take more classes than they would have been able to if courses were held entirely in-person. As we plan for a return to in-
person instruction, we will need to assess how best to serve our students with a combination of in-person and online classes. Hitherto, the art history program has primarily offered online courses only during intersession and mostly lower-division GE survey courses.

While students find the program overall satisfying and we are fortunate to boast an Islamic art specialist on the faculty, there is a clearly expressed desire for greater class availability and more variety especially beyond the European and American tradition. Students responded to "How can we improve?" with "more classes that aren't euro-centric," "more variety! more stability in class availability. Schedules that go along with a realistic graduation time," "Offer the necessary classes more regularly," "offer more courses in one semester," and straight to the point: "hire more teachers." Student responses to "Which classes not in the course catalog would you like to see offered at SSU" include museum studies (this is in addition to requests that the current catalog courses be offered more frequently), African Art, North and South America, more African art, and a range of other art histories including Environmental art history.

It is clear that the quality of faculty matter significantly to students in the art history program. Personal connections facilitate a healthy learning community, social bonds, and confidence for intellectual exploration. A student replied to the Dec. 2020 survey, "I have personally been able to connect with the professors which has made my interest in the program even stronger." In addition to satisfaction with advising and a desire for small classes, respondents to the Dec. 2020 art history major survey also frequently mentioned their appreciation of professors in response to the question "What do you appreciate about the art history program and your education at SSU?" Comments include "My professors are the best," "I really appreciate that the professors are experts and also have done some of their own research. It makes the classes more interesting to know that I can ask any question," "How concerned the professors are about your success in the class," "the professors and faculty are helpful and clearly are passionate about art history and teaching." "the professors," "close knit community, all the teachers are very passionate," "the professors and courses they teach," "the professors in art history are incredible," "The professors.
Ch’ien, Roberson, Bethke, Shaw, and all the Jennifer's [sic] are amazing professors and make the experience. 100% the professors make the education worthwhile."

The art history program is small but able to facilitate the community cited in the survey response above. Class size and approachability aid the creation of community. One comment reads "I appreciate the availability of the professors and the smaller classes." Despite necessary pandemic restrictions on in-person instruction, we are still reaching students as evidenced by comments such as "I appreciate that it exists and that I am still able to go to school during COVID-19." Other student comments request "more events or stuff in general outside of classes like clubs or internship opportunities." I am pleased to serve as Faculty Advisor for the first Sonoma State Art History Club formed as of Fall 2020.

Profile of students who have completed the program

Unfortunately, this information has not been made available by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness.

Proposed Plan of Action

Program Strengths

Our strengths as a program are decidedly due to the efforts of faculty to put the human in the humanities. While small – and shrinking –, the art history program faculty have created a warm and rigorous program with a great deal of satisfaction among students.

• Academic rigor: students are challenged with assignments that ask them to generate their own ideas and form connections. Faculty emphasize critical thinking and independence while providing ample support and structure.

• Foundation for the Future: students feel their education in the art history program at SSU was relevant and provided them with skills and a solid foundation in the study of visual culture.

• Extracurricular enhancement: Students can supplement their major requirements with a variety of programs including study abroad in multiple countries, their choice of foreign language study, and museum and gallery internships.

• Advising: Art history faculty expend great effort to provide our majors and minors with personalized advising and abundant individual meetings. Student satisfaction with advising is high.

Program weaknesses
Some of the program's weaknesses are due to historical perceptions of the field of art history and some are structural. Both can be corrected with university support.

• Eurocentrism in the curriculum

• Inadequate number of full-time faculty. Students have difficulty enrolling in desired and required courses, especially those in the Museum and Gallery Studies minor.

• Dangerous and inadequate building facilities

**Notable Successes**

• Majors express satisfaction with the major and advising even during a pandemic.

• Graduates have secured prestigious internships at Albright Knox Gallery, the Anglim-Gilbert Gallery, and the di Rosa Center for Contemporary Art in Napa.

• Students have been admitted to master's programs at SFSU, SFU, Syracuse University, California College of the Arts, American University, the Courtauld Institute, York University, UC Davis, UC Riverside (PhD), CSU East Bay, and UT Austin. All art history majors who applied for graduate study in 2020-2021 were accepted to a graduate program.

• Sonoma State's presenters at the annual Bay Area Undergraduate Art History Research Symposium at the de Young have been well received.

• Increase in students choosing to write a senior thesis

**Opportunities for Growth**

Over the next five years, the art history program intends to improve in the areas above noted as weaknesses. Other opportunities for growth include:

• Improve recruiting efforts with greater outreach to local high schools and community colleges

• Increase diversity of student body

• Increasing the diversity of faculty

• Increasing the number of full-time faculty to at least return to 2017-18 levels

• Strengthen collaboration with other art history programs in the area and introduce majors to students and faculty at graduate programs

**Future collaborations**
In the future we could strengthen SSU’s participation in Bay Area undergraduate research conferences such as the one hosted by SJSU. We could collaborate with other programs and bodies on campus such as the Anthropological Studies Center.
JENNIFER BETHKE
Art & Art History Department
Sonoma State University
bethke@sonoma.com

EDUCATION

PhD  History of Art, University of California at Berkeley, 2005
•  Doctoral Dissertation on modern Italian painting 1900-1925: “From Futurism to Neoclassicism: Temporality in Italian Modernism”

MA  Liberal Studies, New School for Social Research, 1995
•  Masters Thesis on philosophies of space in Italian Futurism: “Subjectivity and Futurist Space”
•  Masters Thesis Honors

BA  History of Art, University of California Santa Cruz, 1991
•  Highest Honors in major, Bachelors Thesis Honors, Senior Colloquium Honors, Cowell College Honors

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

European nineteenth and twentieth-century art history, with a particular specialty in Italian art 1880-1940; Art and politics in the early-twentieth century; Art and aesthetics; Museum studies.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer, Art Department, Sonoma State University, Fall 2012 – present
•  Early Twentieth-Century Art
•  Nineteenth-Century Art
•  Introduction to Art History: Renaissance to Modern
•  Introduction to Art History: Prehistoric to Medieval
•  Humanities Learning Community: Cave Paintings to Picasso

Adjunct Faculty, Art Department, University of Nevada, Reno, 2006 – 2008
•  Twentieth-Century Art
•  Nineteenth-Century Art
•  Contemporary Art

Graduate Student Instructor, History of Art, UC Berkeley, 2003 – 2005
•  Writing seminar - Art, Modernization, and the Machine
•  Writing seminar - Versions of the Real in Modern Art 1880-1940
•  Writing seminar - Modern European Art 1880-1940
• Introduction to Art History: Renaissance to Modern

Teaching Assistant, History of Art, UC Berkeley and UC Santa Cruz, 1992 – 2005
• Classes include: Introduction to Art History Renaissance to Present; Introduction to Art History Prehistoric to Medieval; Twentieth-Century Modernism; French Nineteenth-Century Art; Impressionism: Theory and Practice

CURATORIAL EXPERIENCE

Independent Curator, January 2013 – present
• Develop and execute art exhibitions on a freelance basis, including planning, researching, writing interpretive texts, developing educational materials and installing.

Curator of Art, Sonoma County Museum, April 2011 – November 2012
• Developed and executed art exhibitions, including planning, researching, writing interpretive texts, overseeing educational materials, and installing. Collaborated with staff and colleagues, oversaw volunteers.

Curator of Education, Sonoma County Museum, January 2010 – April 2011
• Managed school tours and private tours program, and trained docents. Gave tours. Developed educational materials for exhibitions. Developed and implemented all public programs, including lectures, artist talks, and art workshops.
• Trained in Visual Thinking Strategies (VTS), an educational tool to introduce art to children and the general public.
• Taught art history classes for general public, 2010 – 2011 (Nineteenth-Century Art; Modern Art; Contemporary Art).

• Trained docents in art history, in collaboration with museum education staff.
• Taught classes in Museum School for general public (History of Landscape Art; Contemporary Art).
• Gave gallery talks for general public.
PUBLICATIONS


SELECTED PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Conferences
• Chair, “Italian Futurism, One Hundred Years Later.” College Art Association (CAA) Conference, February 2009.

Invited Lectures
• "Pop Artists & Iconic Imagery." Art Museum of Sonoma County, April 2015.
• "Realism Now & Then." Curator’s talk. Sonoma Valley Museum of Art, September 2014.
• "Realism, Really?" Jennifer Bethke & artist Chester Arnold in conversation. Sonoma Valley Museum of Art, August 2014.
• “Abstract Art 1910-1940.” San Francisco State University, History Department, March 2010.
• “Futurism and the Avant-Garde.” San Francisco State University, History Department, April 2009.
• “The Centennial of Italian Futurism.” Round Table Discussion, Italian Institute of Culture, Los Angeles, February 2009.

SELECTED AWARDS AND HONORS

• Rome Prize Fellow, American Academy in Rome, 2000-2002
• Regents’ Intern Fellowship, UC Berkeley, Fall 2002
• Kress Travel Fellowship, Samuel H. Kress Foundation, 2000
• Humanities Research Grant, UC Berkeley, Summer 2000
• Getty Library Research Grant, J. Paul Getty Institute, 2000
• Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS), U.S. Govt., Summer 1999
• Mellon Semester Grant, UC Berkeley, Fall 1998
• Modern Research Fellowship, UC Berkeley, Spring 1998
• Art History Department Travel Grant, UC Berkeley, Summer 1997
• Regents’ Intern Fellowship, UC Berkeley, 1996-2000
• Dean’s Fellowship, New School for Social Research, 1993-1995

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Juror, MarinMOCA Artist Members Exhibition, Spring 2012

Jury Committee, Sonoma County Emerging Visual Artist Awards, Winter 2012

Jury Committee, National Arts Program Exhibition, City of Santa Rosa, Fall 2011

Trained in Visual Thinking Strategies (VTS), a tool for introducing art to students and the general public, San Francisco, Summer 2011

Public Art Committee, City of Petaluma, Fall 2010 – Summer 2012

Curatorial Intern, conducted research for the exhibition From Canvas to Steel: The Architecture of Ed Crittenden and Alaska, Anchorage Museum, Fall 2005 - Spring 2006


Co-Organizer, Italian Neorealist Film Series, American Academy in Rome, Winter 2001

Editorial Board, Qui Parle: Literature, Philosophy, Visual Arts, History, UC Berkeley, Fall 1997 – Fall 1999
**Organizing Committee Member**, Berkeley Symposium: Interdisciplinary Approaches to Visual Representation, UC Berkeley, Fall 1996

**Member**, College Art Association, since 1994
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<td>University of California, Davis, Lecturer</td>
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<td>Summer 2011</td>
<td>Mellon Summer Institute in Italian Paleography Newberry Library, Chicago Led by Maddalena Signorini</td>
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<td>Paleography Seminar, Medici Archive Project, Florence. Led by Sheila Barker and Elena Brizio</td>
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<td>Fellow, Arizona Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies. Arizona State University</td>
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Berkeley

2012 – 2013
Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship.
University of California, Berkeley

2005 – 2011
Chancellor’s Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley

2005
Outstanding Graduating Senior (valedictorian)
San José, State University

2005
President’s Scholar, San José State University

2005
Catherine Urban Scholarship, San José State U.

2004; 2005
Dean’s Scholar, San José State University

2003
Violet Speddy Scholarship, San José State Univ.

2002
Certificate of Merit Honors, Advanced Level Piano Performance and Theory, California

Publications


2020 "There for Us” in 50x50: Face to Face. San José Museum of Art, Quire, Getty Publications.

Works in Progress

Polytopos: Venice, Empire, Art (book project)

“The Caravaggism of Caravaggio’s Resurrection of Lazarus” (article)
Conferences/Lectures

Sep. 2021 "Moving Pieces, Permanent Parts" at "Animation in the Middle Ages" University of Bergen, Norway and University of Bialystok, Poland
* postponed from September 2020 due to Covid-19


Nov. 2019 [Invited] "Venetian Renaissance Time Travel," Sacramento State University, California.

Oct. 2019 "Dusting off the Medieval Art History Class and Putting it in Student Hands" at SECAC (formerly Southeastern College Art Conference), Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Apr. 2019 "Renaissance Medievalism" at “Remembering the Middle Ages? Reception, Identity, Politics,” University of Notre Dame London and King’s College London.


Feb. 2018 "Cultural Memory in Venice: Place, Space, Painting" at “The Uses of Memory in the Pre-Modern Mediterranean” at The Mediterranean Seminar Workshop. Sponsored by the Medieval Institute of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana.


Nov. 2016 [Invited] Keynote Address, Prytanean Women’s Honor Society, University of California, Davis.


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**Chaired and Organized Panels**


* Covid-19 cancellation


* Covid-19 cancellation


------[Chair] “Venice and the Mediterranean: Contestation, Adaptation, Mobility, and Cultural Fusion”

------[Chair] “Picturing Otherness: Islam, Turks, Byzantium” at the Renaissance Society of America, Toronto.


Nov. 2018  [Chair & Organizer] “Moving Parts: Objects that Contain Mobility,”

------[Chair, Invited] “Art and Natural History 4: Rock” at the Sixteenth Century Society Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico.


Courses

Sonoma State University
Art History 160A/B: Art Here, There, Then, Now
   Humanities Learning Community, First-Year Students
Art History 211: Intro to Art History Global Ren - Modern
Art History 300: Graded Assistant Projects
Art History 432: Post-Millennial Issues in Medieval Art
Art History 442: The Self-Conscious Italian Renaissance
   Also taught as a WIC (Writing Intensive Course)
Art History 450: Baroque: Object to Artwork
   Also taught as a WIC (Writing Intensive Course)
Art History 480: Race and European Art
Art History 490: Proseminar
   WIC (Writing Intensive Course)
Art History 492: Senior Thesis

University of California, Davis
Art History 1A Intro Survey: Ancient Mediterranean Art
Art History 1B Intro Survey: Medieval & Renaissance Art
Art History 176C Gothic
Art History 178C Italian Renaissance
Art History 179B Baroque Art
Art History 190B/290B Seminar on Relics
Art History 199 Independent Study
Art History 200A Visual Theory and Interpretive Methods

Service

University 2020 – present Chair, Structure & Functions
2020 – 2023 Scholarship Subcommittee
2021 Campus Art Committee
2019 – 2022 Senate Committee: Structure & Functions
2019 – 2020 President’s Advisory Council on Diversity
2020 Campus Climate Subcommittee, President’s Advisory Council on Diversity
2019 Educational Policies Committee (interim)

School 2018 Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee
2017 Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee

Department 2020 - 2021 Writer and Lead, Self-Study Program
Review for Art History
2020 - Faculty Advisor, Art History Club
2020 Promotional Video production for department
2020 - 2021 Steering Committee, NASAD Accreditation
  * Postponed due to Covid-19
2019 – 2020 Member, Search Committee for Digital Media & Design
2020 Faculty Mentor, Edra Colbeck, "Kent Monkman: Reconstructing Residential Canada" Bay Area Undergraduate Art History Research Symposium, De Young Museum, San Francisco
  * Covid-19 cancellation
2019 Faculty Mentor, Darcy Spencer, “Arte Povera’s Appropriation of Classicism and the Resonance of Italy’s Fascist Past” Bay Area Undergraduate Art History Research Symposium, De Young Museum, San Francisco
2018 - Present Library Liaison, Art History Program
2018 Faculty Mentor, Katelyn Huss, “18th Century England: Ripping the Threads from Scottish Identity,” Bay Area Undergraduate Art History Research Symposium, De Young Museum, San Francisco
2017 Lead, Art History Curriculum Revisions

Discipline
2019 – present President, Northern California Art Historians
2020 External Juror, Art History Writing Prize Sacramento State University
2008 – 2009 Coordinator, Early Modern Studies Working Group University of California, Berkeley
2003 – 2005 VP; Secretary, Art History Association San José State University

Community
2020 Volunteer, Elect Jon Ossoff U.S. Senate
2020 Volunteer, Call Crew Democratic Party
2020 Presenter, Ticket to Education, College, and Career Readiness Information Day for high school students who are in foster care. Co-hosted by Sonoma State University, Santa Rosa Junior College, and the Sonoma County Office of Education
  * Covid-19 cancellation
2019 Author, FY20 Year-End Appeal (fundraising) San José Museum of Art
2019 [Invited Speaker] 50th Anniversary Film(s) San José Museum of Art
  https://youtu.be/LbqMDIhUc3k
2015 – 2019 Tutor, B2B (Beyond Emancipation) Laney College, Oakland, California
2015 – 2019 Mentor, Guardian Scholars University of California, Davis
2018  Volunteer, Get Out the Vote  
ACLU of Northern California

Guest Appearances  
2021  ARTH787C Renaissance Darkness  
University of Maryland
2019  HA 192E Venice in the Early Modern World  
University of California, Berkeley
2019  ENGL 584 Medieval Literature  
Sonoma State University
2019  Women of Color Collective (WOCC)  
Sonoma State University
2019; 2018; 2017  ARTH 490 Proseminar  
Sonoma State University
2014  Not Actually Happening podcast, April 4, 2014

Advising  
McNair Scholars  
2020  Jennifer Ingram, Visionary Art, Sonoma State University

M.A. Theses  
2018  Mariah Briel, “The Known Unknown: Mapping Ignorance in the Age of Discovery,” University of California, Davis
2017  Virginia Van Dine, “Monument and Magic: Bernini’s Fountain of the Four Rivers: Obelisk as Relic,” University of California, Davis
2016  Cristina Urrutia, “Exhuming the Ancient Body: A Re-Examination of the Classical Nude in Carracci’s Farnese Gallery,” University of California, Davis

Honors Theses  
2021  Sophie Eisman, Fêtes Galantes: Anxiety in the Trees, Sonoma State University
2021  Tracey Shankweiler, Neue Sachlichkeit, Sonoma State University
2021  Jennifer Ingram, Visionary Art, Sonoma State University
2021  Noah Kriegler Allen, Changing Impressions, Sonoma State University
2015  Carmel Dor, “Is God Really There?” (Byzantine Icons), University of California, Davis

Affiliations  
College Art Association; Mediterranean Seminar; Renaissance Society of America, Sixteenth-Century Society, Renaissance Conference of Southern California, Northern California Art Historians

Languages
• Italian excellent reading, speaking, and writing: modern, sixteenth-century
• Latin reading knowledge: Classical, Medieval, Renaissance
• German good reading and speaking
• French good reading and speaking
Jennifer Anne Roberson

Education


University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. Master of Arts degree with concentrations in Islamic Art and Ancient Art. June, 1998.

Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME. Bachelor of Arts degree with concentration in Art History and Archaeology, *magna cum laude.* 1993.


Teaching Experience


Publications


Works in Progress


“Francisco Franco and Spain’s Islamic Legacy.” Project examining the ways Spain’s dictator, Francisco Franco, utilized Spain’s Islamic monuments, such as the Great Mosque of Cordoba and the Alhambra, as well as staging events that highlighted the connections between Spain and Arab-Islamic world, to gain political support while simultaneously promoting a Catholic national identity for the Spanish people.

Conference Papers and Other Presentations


“Mosques in Nationalist zones during the Spanish Civil War” Poster for Sonoma State University Faculty Research Symposium, Rohnert Park, CA. May 2019.


“Old Spaces, New Narratives: Islamic Architecture in the Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries.” Organizer and Chair of Panel, which focused on the ways historic Islamic monuments have been used in the past century to further specific political, cultural or religious agendas. College Art Association Conference, Feb. 2015.

“From Dictatorship to Democracy: Cordoba’s Islamic Monuments in the 20th century.” The Bodhi Tree and The Orchid: A Symposium in Honor of Catherine B. Asher and Frederick M. Asher held in conjunction with the College Art Association Conference. Feb. 2014.


“Multicultural Toledo.” Presenter and moderator at lunch discussion for the K-12 teachers' outreach program, ORIAS, at UC Berkeley. Organized in conjunction with the Humanities West Symposium, Toledo: The Multicultural Challenges of Medieval Spain. February, 2011.


**Professional Development**

Faculty Retreat, Sonoma State University. January, 2021.
CTET Summer Institute Design Program, Sonoma State University, Summer 2020.
Training for Department Chairs, CSU East Bay, April, 2019.
Safe Zone workshop. Sonoma State University. 2016.
Historians of Islamic Art Symposium, Toronto, Canada. October, 2014.
FLC Faculty Workshop on teaching writing, SSU, April, 2014.
“Baghdad in Its Golden Age (762-1300),” Humanities West Symposium, San
Francisco, CA. April, 2014.
Suicide Prevention Workshop, SSU, April, 2013.
Art & Art History Department Faculty Retreat. August, 2010.
Workshop on new RTP requirements. September, 2008

**SSU Professional Service**

**University Service**

Chair, Department of Art & Art History, August 2019 – May 2020
A&H Council of Chairs, August 2019 – May 2020
Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee Aug 2019 – May 2020
Faculty Mentor. Mentor to new instructors of Humanities Learning Community “Cave
paintings to Picasso.” Sonoma State University, Aug 2017 – May 2018.

Faculty Representative on evaluation committee, California State University International Programs. 2010, 2012-2016.


Advising Summit. Attended discussion of advising issues on campus. April 2012.


Chair, MA committee for ITDS student. August 2008- May 2010.


Department Service

Art History Program Coordinator. September 2016 – present.

Chair, Department of Art & Art History, Aug. 2019-May 2020.

Art Department Safety Committee – Aug. 2019 – May 2020


Art History Scheduling Coordinator. September, 2008.

Community Service

**Guest lecture**, “Nasrids: Last Islamic Dynasty of Spain.” Art History Art Enrichment Residency in the MnSCU Department of Art, Enrichment and Andreas Endowment Residency Series. Minnesota State University Mankato, Mankato, MN. March 2016.
**Presenter and moderator**, “Multicultural Toledo,” lunch discussion for the K-12 teachers' outreach program, ORIAS, at UC Berkeley. Organized in conjunction with the Humanities West Symposium. February, 2011.
**Guest Lecturer**., “The Contemporary Mosque.” Art History class at Dominican University, Feb. 15, 2008.

**Fellowships and Awards**
- **Mini Grant (RSCAP)**, “Mosques in Nationalist zones during the Spanish Civil War,” Sonoma State University. 2018-19.
- **Sabbatical**, “Mosques in Nationalist zones during the Spanish Civil War,” Sonoma State University, Fall 2018.
- **Excellence in Teaching Award Nomination**, Sonoma State University. 2018.
- **Faculty Travel Award**, SSU School of Arts & Humanities, 2008, 2011-15. 2018.
- **Summer Fellowship (RSCAP)**, “Mosque Architecture & King Mohamed VI of Morocco,” Sonoma State University, 2008.
- **Faculty Travel Award**, SSU Department of Art & Art History, 2008.
- **Teaching Assistantship & Tuition Award**, University of Minnesota, 1996-2004.
- **Art History Block Grant**, University of Minnesota, 1998-2004.
- **Art Institute of Chicago Graduate Student Seminar**. “The Hassan II Mosque and the Revival of Traditional Moroccan Craft.” Best paper award. April 1999.

**Excavation Experience**
Historic Fairbault House, Mendota Heights, MN. Minnesota Historical Society, Field School. Dr. R. Clouse and Dr. Frederick Cooper, directors. April-June 1997.

Language Skills
Fluent in Spanish. Reading knowledge of French, Arabic and Italian.
JENNIFER LAURIE SHAW

Positions Held

- Professor of Art History, Department of Art and Art History, Sonoma State University, 2009-present
- Chair, Department of Art and Art History, Sonoma State University, Jan. 2014-July 2017
- Associate Professor of Art History, Department of Art and Art History, Sonoma State University, September 2004-2009
- Assistant Professor of Art History, Department of Art and Art History, Sonoma State University, 2000-2004
- Affiliated Scholar, Beatrice Bain Center for the Study of Women and Gender, University of California, Berkeley, 1998-1999
- Visiting Lecturer, Department of History of Art, U. C. Berkeley, Fall 1998.
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Art Department, Stanford University. September 1995-September 1997

Education

  Dissertation advisors: T. J. Clark (chair), Anne Wagner, Susanna Barrows (History)
  Masters advisors: Tamar Garb, Caroline Arscott
- University of California, Berkeley B. A., Humanities, December, 1986.

Fellowships and Scholarships

- Andrew W. Mellon Postdoctoral Fellowship in the Humanities at Stanford University, 1995-7
- Georges Lurcy Fellowship for research in France, 1992-3.
- Samuel H. Kress Travel Fellowship in the History of Art, 1992-3 (declined).
- Katz Graduate Fellowship for research travel, summer 1992.
- Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation-Year Fellowship for research in France, Fall 1991.
- Edward Maverick Scholarship Courtauld Institute of Art, 1988-89.
WRITER’S RESIDENCY

- ArtsIceland Writer Residency, for work on Migrations, Ísafjörður, Iceland, May 9-June 10, 2018

AWARDS

- Sonoma State University Award for Excellence in Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, 2017-2018

SELECT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Books

- Migrations, novel represented by Sarah Bedingfield, Levine, Greenberg, Rostan Literary Agency, New York, NY

Articles and Reviews

- “The Figure of Venus: Rhetoric of the Ideal from Cabanel to Claude Cahun,” in Venus as Muse from Lucretius to Michel Serres, Rodopi, 2015.


Presentations
• “Claude Cahun and Marcel Moore: Surrealism Otherwise,” Inside the Magnetic Fields: Surrealism at 100, City Lights Bookseller, San Francisco, Nov. 18, 2019
• “Exist Otherwise: Claude Cahun and Marcel Moore,” Contemporary Jewish Museum, San Francisco, May 9, 2019 in conjunction with exhibition Show Me As I Want to Be Seen
• “Performance, Poetry, Resistance: Claude Cahun’s Anti-Fascism,” on panel “Avant-Gardes and Varieties of Fascism,” College Art Association Annual Conference, Los Angeles, Feb. 23, 2018
• Expert in French Art for Getty funded Entangled Modernisms: Chinese Artists in Paris “Impressionism and After”, “Puvis de Chavannes’s influence,” “Ingres in the Louvre,” “History of French Art in the Musée D’Orsay”
• Keynote Speaker “Public Art in the Age of the Unconscious: Puvis de Chavannes and Edvard Munch,” at the conference “Staging Culture: Public Art at the Fin-de-Siecle” celebrating the unveiling of Munch’s restored Aula murals and the centenary of the University of Oslo, Oslo Norway, Nov 4-5, 2011.(cancelled due to death in the family)
• “Neonarcissism” on panel Narcissism (sponsored by Queer Caucus for the Arts, Tirza Latimer chair) College Art Association Annual Conference, New York, Feb 10, 2011.

• “Imagining the Inter-Subjective Other: Claude Cahun and Marcel Moore,” Conference of the Society of the Space Between, Northwestern University, June 13, 2008.


Languages

• French (fluent reading, translation and speaking)
Art History Course Descriptions
https://catalog.sonoma.edu/content.php?catoid=5&catoid=5&navoid=259&filter%5Bitem_type%5D=3&filter%5Bonly_active%5D=1&filter%5B3%5D=1&filter%5Bcpage%5D=2#acalog_template_course_filter

ARTH 160A - Humanities Learning Community
ARTH 160 A/B is a year long course, which features weekly lectures and small seminars. It constitutes a Humanities Learning Community (HLC) for any first-year student. Students taking this course can not get credit for ARTH 210.

ARTH160B - Humanities Learning Course
ARTH 160 A/B is a year long course, which features weekly lectures and small seminars. It constitutes a Humanities Learning Community (HLC) for any first-year student. Students taking this course can not get credit for ARTH 210.

ARTH 199 - Student Instructed Course
Please see current Schedule of Classes for details. May be repeated for credit.

ARTH 210 - Introduction to Art History
A survey course covering painting, sculpture, and architecture of prehistoric and primitive cultures, and ancient, classical, and medieval civilizations. Students who have taken ARTH 160A will not receive credit for taking ARTH 210.

ARTH 211 - Introduction to Art History
A survey course covering painting, sculpture and architecture from the Renaissance to the present with a global perspective. Students who have taken ARTH 160B will not receive credit for taking ARTH 211.

ARTH 270A - Survey of Islamic Art
This course examines the formation, establishment and variations of Islamic artistic culture from its beginnings in the 7th century through the 20th century.

ARTH 270B - Survey of Asian Art
Course examines artistic developments in Asia (including China, Japan and India) from prehistoric periods to the present.

ARTH 273 - Arts and Literature: Critical and Creative Readings and Renderings (SYRCE Second Year Research and Creative Experience)
This course explores the relationship between literature and art, paying attention to interrelationships between literary and artistic works and and exploring different aspects of creativity, history and culture found in art and literature. Only one course numbered 273 in the Arts & Humanities will be considered for credit.
ARTH 300 - Graded Assistance Project
Designed for advanced students to gain practical experience in the functions of art studios, workshops, classroom, visual resources management, or exhibition projects. Work under supervision of faculty or staff. Each unit requires 3 hours of work per week. (See also ARTH 499.)

ARTH 301 - Assistance Projects
Designed for advanced students to gain practical experience in the functions of art studios, workshops, classrooms, or exhibition projects. Work under supervision of faculty or staff. Each unit requires 3 hours of work per week. Cr/NC only.

ARTH 312 - Principles of Arts Management
May be offered every three or four semesters. A seminar surveying the management of nonprofit visual arts institutions in the United States and the role of those institutions within society. Topics range from practical information, such as the structure of nonprofit organizations, the role of a board of trustees, fundraising, financial management, marketing, and the growing use of technology in the arts, to theoretical concepts being discussed within the field. Guest lecturers will be featured on a regular basis, and several field trips will be scheduled.

ARTH 399 - Student-Instructed Course
Please see current Schedule of Classes for details. May be repeated for credit.

ARTH 420 - Pre-Classical Art
A course exploring topics in the history of the arts and architecture of Egypt, Crete, and/or the Near East before the conquests of Alexander the Great.

ARTH 422 - Greek Art
This course explores topics in the history of Greek art and architecture from the Bronze Age through the Hellenistic periods (ca. 1000 B.C. - 100 A.D.)

ARTH 424 - Roman Art
A course exploring topics in Etruscan and Roman art and architecture from the early Republic through the age of Constantine, 4th century C.E.

ARTH 430 - Medieval Art In and Around the Mediterranean
This class examines fifteenth-century European modes of understanding the nature of art, representation, and viewing. Content emphasis may vary. May be repeated with consent of instructor.

ARTH 432 - Medieval Art: Post-Millennial Issues
A thematically organized course exploring contentious sixteenth-century issues: gender, race, politics, sacred space, and social organization. Local and global concerns are considered in tandem. The beginnings of art history and later notions of periodization are examined critically.
ARTH 440 - 15th c. Renaissance Art: Vision, Representation, Space
A course exploring topics in painting, printmaking, sculpture, and architecture of the 14th-16th centuries in Europe. Content emphasis may vary.

ARTH 442 - The Self-Conscious Italian Renaissance
A course exploring the fractious debates over the nature of art, the role of the artist, alterity, social class, and global explorations, especially the exchange of images between Europe and the Americas. Content emphasis may vary.

ARTH 444 - Northern Renaissance Art
A course exploring topics in printing, print making, sculpture, and architecture of the 14th-16th centuries in Europe. Content emphasis may vary. May be repeated with the consent of the instructor.

ARTH 450 - Baroque: Object to Artwork
A course exploring the fractious debates over the nature of art, the role of the artist, alterity, social class, and global explorations, especially the exchange of images between Europe and the Americas. Course content may vary.

ARTH 452 - Art in the Age of the Enlightenment
This course examines topics in the 18th c. art and may include examinations of painting, architecture, sculpture and printmaking. Themes include the relationship between art and social class, influences of enlightenment philosophy, women and the arts, art and revolution. Topics vary. May be repeated for credit with the consent of the instructor.

ARTH 454 - Art and the Emergence of Modernity
This course explores 19th century art movements such as Impressionism, Neo-impressionism, Symbolism in relation to the changes that marked the Nineteenth Century: the development of the democratic nation state, colonialism, the rise of social movements, the shift from private court patronage to a free market economy, the development the dealer-critic system, the invention of photography, scientific advances in optics, and the discovery of the unconscious in psychology, shifts in gender roles.

ARTH 456 - The History and Theory of Photography
This course examines photography as a cultural object and a form of art from its invention to the digital age. Topics may include: photography as art, photography and the avant-gardes, photography and gender, photography and memory, photography as scientific or juridical proof, documentary and photojournalism, photography and the construction of identities, photography and place, the transformation of photography in the digital age.

ARTH 460 - History of American Art
A survey of the American experience from pre-Colonial times to the present, with insights into European, non-Western, and native influences.
ARTH 464 - Avant-Gardes of the Early 20th Century
This course explores topics in the history of art from approximately 1900-1945: Examines avant-garde movements such as Fauvism, Cubism, Expressionism, Primitivism, Constructivism, Dada and Surrealism with relation to the cultural upheavals of the early 20th Century including industrialization, revolution, WWI, shifts in gender roles and the rise of fascism.

ARTH 465 - Modern Art from 1945-1979
A course exploring European and American developments in late modern and early postmodern art with a focus on work made between 1945 and 1979. Movements such as Abstract Expressionism, Pop, Minimalism, Photo-Realism, Earth Art, and Feminist Art will be discussed in depth, along with the social, economic, and political context within which the work was created. Reading and writing assignments on designated topics will be required.

ARTH 466 - Contemporary Art
A course exploring international developments in post modern and current art with a focus on work made from 1980 and to the present. Movements and styles such as Neo-Expressionism, Appropriation, Graffiti, Body and Identity Art, and the use of new technology will be discussed in depth. In addition, we will examine the critical theories necessary for a thorough understanding of contemporary art and artists. Reading and writing assignments on designated topics will be required.

ARTH 467 - Museum Collections Management
A course on the principles and practices of managing and caring for today’s museum collections. Classes will relate to different types of collections including art, history, and anthropology, as well as different models of museums: public, private, and corporate. Topics include accessioning, object handling and storage, preventative conservation, collections planning, exhibitions, and loans. Students will gain an overall understanding of the physical, ethical and legal care of museum collections. Guest speakers and off-campus field trips to tour behind the scenes collections at Bay Area museums will be planned.

ARTH 468 - Curatorial Practice
A lecture and activity seminar designed to explore the changing role of the curator in relation to contemporary art, both within and beyond traditional presenting institutions. In addition to a historical review of curatorial models, the course will address such subjects as curatorial theory; assessment and interpretation; writing for curators; public speaking; research methodology for curators; and exhibition theory and practice. Students will also participate in at least one exhibition project. Several guest speakers and field trips will be scheduled

ARTH 470A - Survey of Islamic Art
This course examines the formation, establishment and variations of Islamic artistic culture from its beginnings in the 7th century through the 20th century. Students who have taken ARTH 270A will not receive credit for taking ARTH 470A
**ARTH 470B - Asian Art**
Course examines artistic developments in Asia (including China, Japan and India) from prehistoric periods to the present.

**ARTH 474 - Topics of Islamic Art**
A course dealing with intensive study of a particular topic of Islamic Art. The topic will vary from semester to semester and may include the Age of Empire, Islamic Spain or other topics.

**ARTH 480 - Selected Topics in Art History**
A course dealing with intensive study of a particular art topic. The topic will vary from semester to semester. The course may be applicable to requirements for a major in art. Consult advisor and department chair.

**ARTH 490 - Seminar in Visual Art and Culture**
Students write a semester long research paper and learn research methods, writing strategies, application of critical theory to analysis of art and visual culture. Open to all majors. Required for art history majors. We recommend that non-art history majors have completed two papers in upper division art history courses or connected humanities or social sciences in order to be successful in this class.

**ARTH 492 - Senior Honors Thesis**
The honors student prepares an in-depth research paper under the guidance of members of the art history or film faculty. The student will utilize scholarly resources of the region and produce an original research paper of extended length. Participation by consent of the art history faculty. Must be taken with two separate advisors.

**ARTH 493 - Museum and Gallery Management**
A seminar surveying the management of nonprofit museums and other visual arts organizations in the United States and the role of these institutions within society. Topics range from practical information, such as the structure of nonprofit organizations, the role of a board of trustees, fundraising, financial management, marketing, and the growing use of technology in the arts, to theoretical concepts being discussed within the field. Guest lecturers and field trips will be scheduled throughout the semester.

**ARTH 494 - Museum Theory and Practice**
An advanced lecture and activity course in methods and techniques of nonprofit gallery and museum practice. Topics include history and philosophy of museums, their structure and purpose, exhibition development, and a museum’s relationship to the public. Current issues such as accountability, management of cultural artifacts, censorship, and funding for the arts will also be discussed. Students participate in various functions of the University Art Gallery including exhibition installation and design, opening receptions, publicity, fundraising events, and administration. Two off-campus field trips will be planned.
ARTh 495 - Special Studies
For upper-division Art History and Film History majors only. Consult department faculty in your area of emphasis. The University contract form with required signatures of student, instructor, faculty advisor, and department chair must be completed before registering for special studies units.

ARTh 496 - Directed Field Research Experience
Travel to galleries and museums in various North American cities. Individual and group participation required. Destinations vary; consult semester schedule for specifics. Fee required at time of registration.

ARTh 497- Directed Field Research Experience
Travel to various destinations, which vary depending on type of field research being offered; consult semester schedule for specifics. Students will be responsible for a field research project(s), based on the trip. Fee required at time of registration.

ARTh 499 - Internships
Students in the internship program will have an opportunity to gain practical skills by working in a variety of capacities, including gallery and museum situations in the private and public sectors. Credit will be given for completion of 3 hours of work per week per unit, by prior arrangement with department coordinator. (See also ARTH 300.)
Course Description
Why do humans make art? What does art reveal to us about cultures both historical and contemporary? This learning community introduces students to art and architecture from societies throughout the world while also building important college and life skills. Over the course of the year, we move from the earliest prehistoric cave paintings to modern experiments in the twentieth century. Throughout, we will keep in mind that art is a fundamental component of human culture. We will study art that supports political power or undermines it, art active in ritual and religion, objects that express cultural aspirations and anxieties, and more. We consider gender, hierarchy, religion, death, and the power of representation over two semesters progressing roughly chronologically.

All Freshmen Learning Community courses address building academic skills, a sense of community, the transition to college, and developing personal, social, and academic independence. ARTH160A/B offers substantial GE credit with a grade of C- or better both semesters.

General Education (GE) at Sonoma State University (SSU) investigates the complexity of human experience in a diverse natural and social world, and promotes informed and ethical participation as citizens of the world. For more on the mission, goals, and objectives of General Education at Sonoma State University please see https://senate.sonoma.edu/resolutions/statement-mission-goals-objectives-general-education-sonoma-state-university

Lectures on Thursday offer the opportunity to learn about the scope of a period of art history. Sections on Tuesday offer you the chance to engage with art through visual analysis and discussion of texts. We will also review lecture material during Tuesday and try practice questions in advance of exams. College skills are covered throughout the course. Fall semester Dr. Ch’ien delivers the majority of Thursday lectures and teaches discussion section 004 while Dr. Bethke teaches discussion sections 002 and 006. Spring semester Dr. Bethke delivers the majority of Thursday lectures and teaches discussion section 004 while Dr. Ch’ien teaches discussion sections 002 and 006. You remain with your discussion section and peer mentor for the year.
Student Learning Outcomes

- Apply critical thinking and visual analysis to a complex world
- Understand the creative expressions of diverse cultures over time
- Identify, interpret, and apply art historical methodologies
- Communicate observations, argument, and integrated analyses through lucid speech and writing
- Information Literacy: Find and assess sources for reliable information;
- Assess and analyze argument and produce original argument
- Critical Reading: Actively analyze texts in a variety of forms, genres, and disciplines.
- Integration: Synthesize and apply theoretical and practical perspectives from multiple disciplines to develop an understanding of complex issues.
- Transition Learning Outcome 1: Practice active and responsible learning; explore ways to pursue academic passion
- Transition Learning Outcome 3: Develop a sense of belonging within a campus community; become familiar with campus resources

Course Requirements

Attendance 10%
- Section Attendance
- Lecture Attendance

Participation 15%
- Active engagement in section and lecture
- Preparation for class (readings complete, etc.)
- Leading in-Class Object Presentation Review
- Peer Mentor One-on-One Meetings

Architectural Analysis Paper 10% 9/12
Midterm 15% 10/10
Proposed Bibliography 10% 10/31
Annotated Bibliography 20% 11/21
Final 20% 12/12 2:00 – 3:50pm

Extra Credit: up to two submissions per week due at the beginning of Thursday’s lecture. See Assignments document or Canvas for more info.

All undergraduates will participate in assessment of SSU’s general education program. Assessment helps the university community understand how well students are learning and helps us change the curriculum to better meet student needs. All general education courses will include a signature assignment, a key assignment that is mapped to one or more of the learning outcomes listed above. Student work products for those signature assignments will be submitted (without identifying names or other information) to faculty groups who will evaluate student learning and make recommendations for curricular change. Student participation in these processes is as simple as turning in your course work—it is automatic and confidential.

Attendance and Participation
Art history classes, even more so than most, necessitate attendance for success. Once physical presence has been achieved, you need to pay attention, which means turning off the cell phone and using laptops for classwork. Distracting other students will result in being asked to leave the classroom. Lack of attention is lack of attendance: failure to engage with class material including but not limited to surfing the web, texting, doing homework for another class will negate attendance credit for the day. Participation means active engagement with the material. Discuss ideas with peers and listen actively. Participation is graded on effort, not on having the correct answer in the moment.

Course Materials
There is a course reader of this semester’s readings available to you at Office Depot #2256 321 Rohnert Park Expressway, Rohnert Park, CA. You need to buy a copy and bring it to discussion every week we have reading to discuss. When you enter the store, turn right and continue straight to Business Services. Ask any associate for the file under the name Letha Ch’ien. The cost should be less than $20.

Because of exorbitant cost, there is no required textbook for this course. However, it is highly recommended that you consult a general survey textbook for background, context, and review. A copy of Gardner’s Art Through the Ages, 14th edition is on reserve at the library. [http://library.sonoma.edu/research/reserves](http://library.sonoma.edu/research/reserves) Used copies can be purchased online.

Grading:
Grades signify as follows:

A = Excellent  B = Good
C = Average  D = Inadequate  F = Failing

If you believe you have received a grade in error, you may submit a request for review. Each request needs to be accompanied by a one-page essay explaining why you believe the original grade to be in error and citing evidence for your argument. Tardy papers will be penalized a full letter grade each day it is late – n.b. the end of lecture is late. *Extensions must be requested in advance of the due date.*

All work must cite sources appropriately using either MLA or Chicago style citation guidelines. Failure to credit others’ ideas and research is plagiarism and will result in a failing grade on the assignment and a failing grade in the course. Plagiarism will be reported to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs. If you have questions regarding citation, please come and talk to me *before* the assignment is due. Significant grammar, citation, and/or spelling errors will result in an automatic 1/3 grade reduction e.g. an A becomes an A-.

Papers are due *at the beginning of class* and are otherwise marked late.

University Policies: Adds, Drops, Accommodations
Students are responsible for understanding add/drop policies and procedures. Registration information is available at [http://web.sonoma.edu/registration/](http://web.sonoma.edu/registration/)

Add/Drop policy information is available at [http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/geninfo/drop-refunds](http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/geninfo/drop-refunds)

**FAQs**

- The library is great! It can be accessed online [http://library.sonoma.edu](http://library.sonoma.edu) and in person. I highly recommend contacting Mary Wegmann, our arts librarian for research help. You can begin with something as unformed as “I don’t know where to begin.” Librarians will help. [Mary.Wegmann@sonoma.edu](mailto:Mary.Wegmann@sonoma.edu).
- Counseling and Psychological Services have drop-in appointments at Stevenson 1088 (707-664-2153) [http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr/](http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr/)
- If you require classroom accommodations, please contact Disability Services in Schultz 1014A [http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/](http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/) and let me know so we can work together.
- The SSU Writing Center is located at Schulz 1103. You can make appointments for individual tutoring covering punctuation, citation formats, and even form a writing group. [http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/](http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/)
- You may call us Dr. Bethke or Prof. Bethke and Dr. Ch’ien or Prof. Ch’ien and our pronouns are both she/hers. If we make a mistake with your pronouns or name pronunciation, please let us know.
- If you experience sexual assault, sexual harassment, or discrimination, it is not your fault. Sonoma State has a Title IX office [https://web.sonoma.edu/hr/titleix/](https://web.sonoma.edu/hr/titleix/) with links for confidential support, reporting a crime, and a rape crisis hotline (707-545-7273).
- Hungry? Lobo’s Pantry provides food in Zinfandel across from the Student Health Center. Hours can be found here: [https://web.sonoma.edu/studentaffairs/cocurriculum.html](https://web.sonoma.edu/studentaffairs/cocurriculum.html)
- If you experience a gap in childcare that could prevent you coming to class, please feel free to bring your child. Parenting students may sit near the door in case they need to exit; non-parenting students can leave those seats free for their classmates.
- When sending us an email, please identify the class and introduce your question, topic, issue, etc. We receive a lot of email and the information helps us respond.

**Class Schedule**

*Modifications to the schedule will be announced via email and on Canvas.*

*Readings can be found on Canvas both under "Modules" and “Files”*

**READER** – you must bring the reading with you when there is assigned reading for Tuesday discussion to receive attendance credit.

**Week One**

08/20 Section 1: Introductions, College Basics, Why Art History?

*Sign up for Section Review Presentations*

08/22 Lecture 01: Prehistoric Art Around the World

(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter One pp: 14-29)
Week Two
08/27 Section: Historical Uses of the Past & Setting Yourself Up for Academic Success
Reading: • Arnold, Bettina, “The Past as Propaganda” Archaeology 45, No. 4 (July/August 1992): 30-37.

08/29 Lecture 02: The Middle East: Ancient Mesopotamia
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Two pp: 30-53)

Week Three
09/03 Section: Cultural Heritage, Loss, and Looting & Maintaining Well-Being; Campus Resources

09/05 Lecture 03: African Art: Ancient Egypt
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Three pp. 54-83)

Week Four
09/10 Section: Writing for College; Campus Resources

09/12 Lecture 04: European Art: Ancient Greece
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Five pp. 104-163)

Week Five
09/17 Section: Ancient Art and Its Present Tense Uses & Reflection on First Writing Assignment
Review Lecture
Viewing: Marble Helped Scholars Whitewash Ancient History https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=86PD8o6xe_4&feature=youtu.be ** Architectural Analysis Paper Due**

09/19 Lecture 05: Mediterranean Art: New Visualizations of Power in Ancient Rome
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Seven pp. 178-231)
Week Six
09/24 Section: Political Uses of Art History & Ways and Practices of Studying

Sign up for bibliography & presentation topics in class

09/26 Lecture 06: Mediterranean Late Antique Art & Byzantium & Self-Responsible Learning
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Eight and Nine pp: 232-281)

Week Seven
10/01 Section: Iconoclasm

10/03 Lecture 07: African, European, and Middle Eastern Islamic Art

Week Eight
10/08 Section: Midterm Review

10/10 MIDTERM

Week Nine
10/15 Section: Library ** we will meet at the library **
   Section 02 Bethke 1:00pm Schultz 2016
   Section 04 Ch’ien 1:00pm Schultz 3001

10/17 Lecture 08: Early Chinese Art [Dr. Bethke]

Week Ten
10/22 Section: Review & Work on Bibliographies (bring laptops to class) College vs. High School Peer Mentors

10/24 Lecture 09: Ancient & Medieval African Art

Week Eleven
10/29 Section: Review & Bibliographies & Managing Long-Term Projects

10/31 Lecture 10: Medieval European Art
** Proposed Bibliographies Due **

Week Twelve
11/05 Medievalism


11/07 Lecture 11: American Art: Olmec and Maya

Week Thirteen

11/12 Imagining the Past & Managing End of the Semester Stress
Reading: • David Webster, “The Uses and Abuses of the Ancient Maya” Prepared for the Emergence of the Modern World Conference. Otzenhausen, Germany. 2007.

Peer Mentors

11/14 Lecture 12: American Art: Aztecs & Inka
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Thirty-Five pp. 1022-1041)

Week Fourteen
11/19 Section: Review & Annotated Bibliographies & Final Study Skills

11/21 Lecture 13: European Renaissance Art in Italy
** Annotated Bibliographies Due **

Week Fifteen

11/26 Section: Final Review

11/28 THANKSGIVING

Week Sixteen
12/03 Section: Artistic Freedom: Veronese and the Tribunal & Resiliency
Reading: • Veronese Tribunal Trial Transcript

12/05 Lecture 14: European Art: Northern Renaissance
(Suggested Reading: Gardner Chapter Twenty-Three pp. 644-667)

FINAL Thursday, December 12 ** 2:00 – 3:50pm **
ARTh 160B
Spring Semester
Sonoma State Univ.

Art History 160B: Art Here, There, Then, Now

Lecture: Thurs, 1:00 - 2:50, Ives 101
Discussion: Sect. 2 - Bethke -- Tues, 1:00 - 2:50 - GMC 1058
Sect. 4 - Ch’ien -- Tues, 1:00 - 2:50 - Stevenson 3077
Instructors: - Dr. Jennifer Bethke and Dr. Letha Ch’ien
Office Hours: - Bethke -- Thurs, 11:00 - noon and by appointment, Art 110
- Ch’ien -- Mon, 11:00 - 1:00 and Thurs, 3:00 - 4:00, Art 105
Email: - bethke@sonoma.edu
- letha.chien@sonoma.edu
Peer Mentors: Sect. 2 - Carson Klemmer, klemmer@sonoma.edu
Sect. 4 - Taylor Eddy, eddyt@sonoma.edu

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Reading Resources:

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2) **Optional:** Because of high cost, there is no required textbook for this course. However, it is highly recommended that you consult the following general survey textbook for information and review: **Gardner’s Art Through the Ages: A Global History, 14th edition (we will be using primarily Vol. 2 this semester).** This text is on reserve at the library (http://library.sonoma.edu/research/reserves). Used copies can be purchased online. Suggested reading assignments in this textbook are in the class schedule below.

Course Requirements and Grades:

Your grade is based upon the requirements listed below. Assignments will be graded as follows:

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Essay (museum visit) 20%  on 4/16
Midterm exam 15%  due 3/12
Final exam 20%  on 5/14

All undergraduates will participate in assessment of SSU’s general education program. Assessment helps the university community understand how well students are learning and helps us change the curriculum to better meet student needs. All general education courses will include a signature assignment, a key assignment that is mapped to one or more of the learning outcomes listed above. Student work products for those signature assignments will be submitted (without identifying names or other information) to faculty groups who will evaluate student learning and make recommendations for curricular change. Student participation in these processes is as simple as turning in your course work—it is automatic and confidential.

Optional extra credit:
- Cultural event write-ups - - up to 3 points each, points allocated to midterm or final
- Professor office visit - - 3 points for midterm or final

• Attendance (10%) You are required to attend lectures and sections. Art history classes, even more so than most, necessitate attendance for success. Attendance will be tracked via Canvas.
  While in class, you are also expected to behave professionally at all times. Arriving late and leaving early disrupt and demoralize the class, as does falling asleep, eating in class, chatting, using your tech devices for texting or email, etc. If you cannot maintain a focused, phone-free, positive attitude during class, you will be marked absent.

• Participation (15%) Participating in section is key to your grade in class, and is part of your community responsibility to help generate a productive academic environment. Participation does not mean mastery or perfection - it means doing the readings before class, bringing your reader to class in order to engage in work, embracing in-class activities with good spirit, tossing ideas around, being willing to experiment and wonder, and asking questions.
  Additional assignments that contribute to your participation grade are:
  • A short, in-class review of an art object we have seen in lecture. This informal review will happen in Tuesday section; we will sign up for objects on the first day of section.
  • Group presentation response: Groups will be assigned to respond to oral presentations in section. You and your group will be given a short amount of time to organize your response, and then will present in front of your section.
  • Two required meetings with your peer mentor: the first will be one-on-one, and the second will be small-group format. Information on meeting times will be forthcoming.

• Oral Presentation (20%) An oral presentation in section is required this semester, building on the research work that you completed fall semester. The presentation will be 5-10 minutes long, supported by digital slides, on an artwork chosen from a set of possible works. A final bibliography, with the definitive list of all sources you consulted, will also be required.

• Essay Assignment (20%) The essay will be an assignment of 2-4 pages centered on a museum visit (a short list of possible museums will be supplied). You will choose an artwork at the museum, which you will analyze and compare to an artwork we have covered in class. The essay
will not involve research; you will instead use close observation of your chosen artwork in the museum setting, and your knowledge of art historical context, to craft your paper.

• **Midterm and Final Exams (15 and 20%)** The midterm and final exam will cover material from lectures and sections, including assigned readings. They will consist of artwork IDs (artist, title, and date), definitions of terms, short answer questions, and longer essays. IDs you are responsible for are marked with an asterisk on each week's image list.

You may not miss an exam - if you do, you are in danger of failing the class. Make-up exams will only be allowed if arrangements are made in advance, in consultation with me about dire extenuating circumstances.

• **Optional Extra Credit:**
  • Cultural Event Visit/Essays (up to 3 points each / 2 can be turned in each week / points go toward the midterm or the final, depending on when they’re turned in): Cultural events include museums, the on-campus art and library galleries, plays, dance performances, campus lectures, and some music concerts. Not all events and venues count as a 'cultural event' - consult with your professors to be sure you will receive credit. After attending, your written, 1-page critical response will be worth up to 3 extra credit points.

• **Professor Office Visit (3 points for midterm or final):** Visit the office hours of Drs. Bethke or Ch’ien. We’re pretty friendly, and we definitely don’t bite.

**Grading:**
Grades signify as follows:
A = Excellent  B = Good
C = Average  D = Inadequate  F = Failing

**Strategies for Success in this Course:**
• **Attend class.** This is crucial to your success in this course! Much information given in class is not included in the optional textbook readings. Mastering class content requires both your attendance and your attentiveness.

• **Read the assigned readings before class, and take notes.** Understanding college-level texts requires that you to take notes as you read. Also, if you read without taking notes, you will have lost your thoughts by the time exams arrive.

• **Take notes during class.** Some questions to guide your note-taking:
  - What big themes or ideas are framing the lecture?
  - What defines different periods of art – how can you distinguish them?
  - What new vocabulary has been introduced and how is it defined?
  - Who are the main artists discussed in class, and how do they reflect themes/styles?
  - How are particular artworks distinct, innovative, or characteristic of a specific period?

• **Exams:** For the exams, there are three main strategies to keep in mind:
  1) Study the big themes and ideas that have been covered in lectures. These will be the
basis of your essays on the exams.

2) Make sure you can define and describe all the periods of art we cover (e.g. Ottoman art, Impressionism, etc.) we discuss in class. It is helpful to make a 'bullet point' list of characteristics for each period. Know the main artists associated with each period. If you feel comfortable explaining a period and/or style verbally to someone, that’s a good sign that you’ll be able to answer related questions on the exam.

3) You will be required to identify (ID) certain artworks. IDs you are responsible for are marked with an asterisk on each week's image list. Flashcards are useful for memorizing these.

The basic structure of the exams will be posted on Canvas, and we will discuss exam content and strategy in class leading up to the exams.

• It’s ok to ask for help! - of the academic sort:
  
  • Professors hold office hours so they can help you out. Visit your ARTH 160 professors, and get extra credit! See above.
  • If you require classroom accommodations, the staff in Student Disability Services in Schultz 1014A are here to get you set up. http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/
  • The SSU Writing Center is located at Schulz 1103. You can make appointments for individual tutoring covering punctuation, citation formats, and even form a writing group. http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/
  • Our campus library and librarians are here to help you. The library can be accessed online http://library.sonoma.edu and in person. I highly recommend contacting Mary Wegman, our arts librarian, for research help. You can begin with something as loose as “I don’t know where to begin.” She will take it from there. mary.wegman@sonoma.edu

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  • Counseling and Psychological Services have drop-in appointments at Stevenson 1088 (707-664-2153). http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr/
  • Hungry? Lobo’s Pantry provides food in Zinfandel across from the Student Health Center. Hours can be found here: https://web.sonoma.edu/studentaffairs/cocurriculum.html
  • If you have a gap in childcare that could prevent you coming to class, please feel free to bring your child. Parenting students may sit near the door in case they need to exit during class time.
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**Technology Policy:**

Put away your cell phones during class. Ringing or vibrating cell phones, texting, emailing, web surfing, etc. is distracting to you and your classmates, and disrespectful to me. You may be marked absent if you are on your phone.

If you use a computer for note-taking, stay on task and stay off the web, email, etc. etc. etc. Multiple studies have now shown that so-called "multitasking" with technology is extremely deleterious to high-level thinking and concentration. My aim is to train your brain to be able to sustain long periods of concentration and analysis. Tech distractions in the classroom directly undermine this goal. You may be marked absent if you use your computer for activities other than note-taking in class.

**No Recordings Policy:**

Students may not record (audio or video) in this class except with my permission, and then only in accordance with DSS accommodations. Any recordings made in connection with a DSS accommodation are for the student’s personal academic use only, and may not be distributed in any manner to any other individual.

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**CLASS SCHEDULE**

**THEME I - Art and State Power**

**Week 1:**

Tue, 1/21 --- Introductory section - Welcome back! Discuss syllabus, get ready for the semester Grit and Resilience: Looking Back at Last Semester and Looking Forward
Thur, 1/23 --- Art in the Ottoman Empire - Court artists, Culture's porousness
- Reading: Smarthistory video - "Hagia Sophia as a Mosque"
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 10 - p. 288 The Mosque; pp. 297-299 Ottoman art)

Week 2:

Tue, 1/28 --- Section - issues of appropriation
  * reminder: when there is Tuesday reading assigned, you must bring the reader (or printed text) with you to section to receive attendance credit

Thur, 1/30 --- European Monarchies and Art - 17th-Century France
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 23 - pp. 656-658 France / Ch. 25 - pp. 714-718 intro on France, Louis XIV and Versailles; pp. 697-700 intro on Flanders, Rubens section)

Week 3:

Tue, 2/4 --- Section - oral presentations workshop // peer mentors [Topic Chosen by Mentors]

Thur, 2/6 --- Imperial China - Court Art and its Complications
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 33 - pp. 988-999 through all of Ming Dynasty)

Week 4:

Tue, 2/11 --- ** PRESENTATIONS I ** - Group 1 presents, Group 4 responds
Campus Resources - How to Find Them, How to Use Them

Thur, 2/13 --- African art (guest lecture by Professor Ch’ien)
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 19 - pp. 520-521; 531-532 / Ch. 37 - pp. 1061-1078)

THEME II - New voices, New viewers, New media

Week 5:
Tue, 2/18 --- ** PRESENTATIONS II ** - Group 2 presents, Group 1 responds
  •Artnet article - "Benin's Looted Bronzes Are All Over the Western World" https://news.artnet.com/art-world/benin-bronzes-restitution-1322807

Thur, 2/20 --- Rococo / Natural art / Neoclassicism - Art for the 1%, Art for the Citizen
  - (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 26 - pp. 726-741 intro sections, Rococo, Enlightenment, 'Natural' art through Hogarth; pp. 745-748 Neoclassicism through David)

Week 6:

Tue, 2/25 --- ** PRESENTATIONS III ** - Group 3 presents, Group 2 responds
Different Social Identities

Thur, 2/27 --- Romanticism and Orientalism - Once more, with feeling!
  - (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 27 - pp. 754-769 intro sections, David's students, Romanticism; pp. 770-775 Landscape Painting)

Week 7:

Tue, 3/3 --- ** PRESENTATIONS IV ** - Group 4 presents, Group 3 responds
Engaging Ethically in Your Community

Thur, 3/5 --- Photography in the Nineteenth Century
  - (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 27 - pp. 791-796 Photography)

Week 8:

Tue, 3/10 --- Section - midterm review - Study Skills

Thur, 3/12 --- ** MIDTERM **
Week 9:

Tue, 3/17 --- SPRING BREAK

Thur, 3/19 --- SPRING BREAK

Week 10:

Tue, 3/24 --- Section - Thinking about museums (and the essay assignment) // peer mentors [Topic Mentors' Choice]

Thur, 3/26 --- Japan - Ukiyo-e and the merchant class
  - (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 34 - pp. 1004-1009 intro and all Muromachi sections; pp. 1010-1017 Sen No Rikyu, Shino Ceramics, Edo / Ch. 28 - p. 808 Japonisme)

Week 11:

Tue, 3/31 --- HOLIDAY - Cesar Chavez Day

Thur, 4/2 --- Realism / Impressionism - Representing class in industrialized Europe
  - (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 27 - pp. 775-782 Realism through Manet / Ch. 28 - pp. 798-809 intro sections and Impressionism)

**THEME III - Modern Definitions of Art**

Week 12:

Tue, 4/7 --- Section - Impressionism and gender; Time Management Going into the End of the Semester

Thur, 4/9 --- Post-Impressionism / Cubism - Avant-Garde painting and primitivism
  - (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 28 - pp. 811-817 Post-Impressionism through Gauguin / Ch. 29 - pp. 834-839 intro sections and Fauvism, pp.844-855 Cubism and other avant-garde painting, pp.880-881 De Stijl)

Week 13:
**Week 14:**

**Tue, 4/21 — Section - Avant-Garde Manifestos: new definitions of art**

**Thur, 4/23 — Art and fascism**
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 29 - p. 877 Degenerate Art)

**Week 15:**

**Tue, 4/28 — Section - Fascisms and modernisms**

**Thur, 4/30 — Mexican muralism, Art and resistance**
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 29 - pp. 850-851 Picasso’s Guernica; pp. 890-893 the Mexican Muralists: Orozco and Rivera)

**Week 16:**

**Tue, 5/5 — Section - Final review**
Thur, 5/7 --- Art after World War II: the expanded field
- (Suggested Reading: Gardner, Ch. 30 - pp. 898-900 intro sections, pp. 913 - 917 Pop Art, pp. 932-938 Environmental Art through New Media / Ch. 31 - pp. 964-972 Environmental Art through New Media)

Week 17:

Thur, 5/14 --- ** FINAL EXAM **
- Our final exam is Thursday, May 14, 2:00 - 3:50 p.m. (note start time!)
ArtH 210: Intro to Art History (Prehistoric – Medieval)  
Sonoma State University, Spring 2021  
4 units, GE – category C1

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Course Description

This course is designed to introduce the major developments in art and architecture from the prehistoric through the late Medieval periods. It will focus primarily on artistic trends in Europe and the Mediterranean region but also will include sections on Asia and Africa. As the scope of the course is vast, the focus will be on objects that are representative of a specific style period or movement (religious, political, social), emphasizing the ways that art functions as aesthetic objects and as cultural artifacts.

Students who have taken ARTH 160A will not receive credit for taking ARTH 210.

Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives

- Hone description and observation skills
- Recognize and identify various style periods from the Prehistoric through the Medieval periods
- Recognize and identify individual works by title, date, style, and location
- Define and use art historical terminology
- Write essays addressing the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical and cultural context
- Appreciate and understand approaches to artistic expression used by peoples in different places and times
- Discuss issues related to the field of art history such as looting, antiquities trade, preservation, conservation and collecting art
- Develop ability to analyze unknown works of art to determine their function, place and date of creation, and significance to the cultures to which they pertain

Required Text

Course Requirements

Should we experience a major disruption during the semester, due dates and other requirements will be adjusted. I will communicate with you via email.

Weekly Modules

Each week we will meet at 1pm on Monday/Wednesday or 3 pm on Tuesday/Thursday for a combination of lecture and discussion. Also, each week you will have to complete a module. Each module includes assigned readings, other materials such as lists of vocabulary and works of art, and assignments.

Attendance

This class is designed to be synchronous, meaning we will meet in real time every MW or TTH. The lectures will regularly introduce additional material not covered in your readings so it is important to be present and take notes and ask questions. Come to class having done the readings. Ask questions! Talk to your classmates! Engage with the material.

Also, please turn off devices and close windows you don’t need open while in class. If you miss class, you are still responsible for the material presented that day. Also, assignments due on the day you missed class are still due that day. Late assignments will lose 5% of the available points per day late, unless an extension has been given (you must contact me before the assignment is due with a serious reason for needing an extension).

Readings: It is helpful if you complete the readings before class. On the Syllabus, there is a schedule of lecture topics and readings which will serve as an outline for the course. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made.

Exams: There will be four exams during the semester. The exams will include multiple choice questions, unknown works of art, short answers and essays. Make-up exams are only available with verification of illness or emergency. If you miss an exam, you will receive a “0” for that exam. To make up an exam, you must contact me within 24 hours with a valid excuse. Failure to do so will result in a zero. Exams will cover information from the textbook, outside readings, and lectures. All work must be your own and in your own words. Your answers should be based on the material presented in class. Information copied from online sources (unless assigned) will not be accepted. Cheating or plagiarism will result in a 0 on the assignment and possible failure of the class.

Discussions: Discussion assignments ask you to respond to a question, a work of art, or some other issue relating to the class. Often discussions will include both an Initial Post and a Response Post, and there will be 2 different due dates. When a discussion assignment includes an Initial and Response post, both posts much be completed by their due dates to receive full credit.

Paper: A short paper (2-3 pages single-spaced) is due between March 3-9. Instructions for the paper are posted on the course homepage. It is your responsibility to make sure your assignment has properly posted. Missing papers will receive a “0.” Late papers
(after March 9) will be downgraded (5 points per day with minimum of grade of 50 if assignment would originally have received at least a grade of 50).

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**Note on Grades:**

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**Course Schedule**

The course schedule is subject to change. Additional readings, assignments, etc may be assigned and will be posted in Canvas. If, for any reason, classes are temporarily suspended (for example, due to a power shut off), I will adjust the schedule. I will email you and update the Canvas page as soon as possible to reflect the changes.

**University Policies**

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**Strategies for Success in This Course**

1. Learning art history has some features in common with learning a language. Regular study and review are very important as you will not be able to absorb and understand the material just before the exam.
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5. Preparing for Exams: On the exams, you will be required to identify works on the slide lists in terms of the period during which they were made and explain what is significant about them. You may also be asked to define art historical terms and discuss the characteristics of the periods. Make sure you can do this. Flashcards may be helpful. Also, it may be helpful to make a list of characteristics for each period. Or, try to explain what is typical of the various periods to a classmate. If you feel comfortable explaining a style (i.e. Greek) verbally to a friend or family member, that’s a good sign that you’ll be able to answer related questions on the exam. Studying in groups also may be helpful.

Course Schedule (Subject to change)
Additional readings may be assigned and will be announced in class.

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March 31 – NO CLASS | Italy Before the Romans: The Etruscans (Chap. 6) |
| 11   | April 5 - 8 | Ancient Rome (Chap. 7) and Late Antiquity (Chap. 8)  
**Discussion**: Augustus and his achievements |
| 12   | April 12 – 15  
NO CLASS  
15th HIAA Biennial | Rome in the East: The Art of Byzantium (Chap. 9) and Art of the Traditional Islamic World (Chap. 10, 282-294)  
**Discussion**: Sound and Water in Islamic Architecture |
| 13   | April 19 – 22 | Medieval Art of West Africa (Chap. 19, 525 – 529)  
EXAM 3 (21/22) |
| 14   | April 26 – 29 | Hindu Art and Architecture (Chap. 15, 434-441) |
| 15   | May 3 - 6    | Tang and Song China (Chap. 16, 461-468) and Asuka, Nara, and Heian Japan (Chap. 17, 480 – 486) |
| 16   | May 10 - 13  | Medieval Europe (Early, Romanesque and Gothic) (Chap. 11-13),  
**Discussion**: Manuscript illumination |
| FINAL | May 17/18 | 1- 3/3:30 – 5:30 |

**Slide Outline**

**Prehistoric Europe and West Asia**
Nude Woman (Venus of Willendorf), 28000-25000 BCE  
Hall of the Bulls, Lascaux, France, 15000-13000 BCE  
Rhinoceros, Wounded Man, and Bison, Lascaux Cave, France, 15000-13000 BCE  
Catal Hoyuk, restored view, Turkey, 6000-5900 BCE  
Landscape with Volcanic Eruption (?), Catal Hoyuk, 6150 BCE

**Ancient Near Eastern**
White Temple and Ziggurat, Uruk, 3200-3000 BCE  
Female Head from Uruk, 3200-3000 BCE  
Presentation of Offerings to Inanna (Warka Vase), from Uruk, Iraq, ca. 3200–3000 BCE  
Statuettes of Worshippers, 2700 BCE  
War side of the Standard of Ur, 2600 BCE

**Ancient Egyptian**
Palette of Narmer, 3000-2900 BCE  
Great Pyramids of Giza, 2551-2528, 2520-2494, 2490-2472 BCE
Khafre Enthroned, 2520-2494 BCE
Seated Scribe, 2450-2350 BCE
Mortuary Temple of Hatshepsut, 1473-1458 BCE
Hatshepsut with offering jars, ca. 1473–1458 BCE
Fowling Scene, Tomb of Nebamun, 1400-1350 BCE
Death mask of Tutankhamen, from the innermost coffin in his tomb at Thebes, Egypt, Dynasty XVIII, ca. 1323 BCE

Ancient Aegean
Palace at Knossos, Crete, 1700-1400 BCE
Bull-Leaping, Knossos, Crete, 1450-1400 BCE
Sarcophagus, Hagia Triada (Crete), ca. 1450–1400 BCE
Marine style Octopus Jar, Crete, 1500 BCE
Lion Gate, Mycenae, 1300-1250 BCE
Treasury of Atreus, Mycenae, 1300-1250 BCE

Ancient Greek
Kroisos, from Anavysos, Greece, ca. 530 BCE
Peplos Kore, c. 530 BCE
ANDOKIDES PAINTER, Achilles and Ajax playing dice, c. 525-520 BCE
Kritios Boy, c. 480 BCE
Doryphoros (Spear Bearer), POLYKLEITOS, c. 450-440 BCE
Parthenon, IKTINOS and KALLIKRATES, 447-438 BCE

Ancient Art of Africa
Running Woman, rock painting from Algeria, c. 6000 – 4000 BCE
Nok Head, from Nigeria, c. 500 BCE – 200 CE
Head, from Lydenburg, South Africa, c. 500 CE

Ancient South Asian
Great Bath, Mohenjo-daro, Pakistan, ca. 2600–1900 BCE
Robed male figure, ca. 2600–1900 BCE
Nude Male Torso, ca. 2000-1900 BCE
Seal with seated figure in yogic posture, ca. 2600–1900 BCE
Great Stupa, Sanchi, India, 3rd c BCE – 1st c CE
Elephants and yakshi, east torana, Great Stupa, Sanchi, India 1st c BCE – 1st c CE
Life and Death of the Buddha, frieze from Gandhara, Pakistan, 2nd c CE
Seated Buddha preaching first sermon, from Sarnath, India, c.450-500 CE

Ancient Chinese
Yangshao Culture Vases, c. 3000 BCE
Guang, probably from Anyang, China, Shang dynasty, c. 1200-1000 BCE
Standing figure, from Sanxingdui, China, ca. 1200–1050 BCE
Bi Disk with Dragons, China, c. 300 BCE
Army of the First Emperor of Qin, Lintong, China, c. 210 BCE
Funeral Banner (Tomb of Marquise of Dai), c. 168 BCE
Model of a House, 1st century CE
Shakyamuni Buddha, Zhao Dynasty, China, 338 CE
Ancient Japanese (Jomon, Yayoi and Kofun Periods)
Vessel, from Miyanomae, c. 2500 – 1500 BCE
Dotaku with incised Figural Motifs, c. 100 – 300 CE
Tomb of Emperor Nintoku, c. 375 – 425 BCE
Haniwa warrior, c. 400 – 550 CE
Main Hall of Ise Jingu, Ise, 4th c. and later

Etruscan
Model of a Typical Etruscan Temple, 6th century BCE
Apulu (Apollo), c. 510-500 BCE
Sarcophagus with reclining couple, c. 520 BCE
Interior of the Tomb of Reliefs, 3rd century BCE

Roman
Temple of Portunus, Rome, c. 75 BCE
Head of an Old Man, c. 50 BCE
Atrium of the House of the Vettii, Pompeii, c. 150 BCE
Portrait of Augustus as general, Primaporta, c. 20 BCE
Ara Pacis and details, Rome, 13-9 BCE
Colosseum (Flavian Amphitheater), Rome, c. 70-80 CE
Column of Trajan, Forum of Trajan, Rome, 112 CE
Mummy Portrait of a Priest of Serapis, Hawara, Egypt, c. 140-160 CE

Late Antique
Good Shepherd, ceiling painting, Catacomb of Sts. Peter and Marcellinus, Rome, 4th c
Sarcophagus of Junius Bassus, Rome, c. 359
Old St Peter’s, Rome, c. 320
Good Shepherd Mosaic, Mausoleum of Galla Placidia, Ravenna, c 425
Suicide of Judas and Crucifixion of Christ, ivory, c. 420

Byzantine
ANTHEMIUS of TRALLES and ISODORUS of MILETUS, Hagia Sophia, interior, exterior, Constantinople (Istanbul), 532-37 CE
Justinian and Attendants, mosaic, San Vitale, Ravenna, c. 547 CE
Virgin (Theotokos) and Child between Saints Theodore and George, icon, c. 600 CE
Christ as Pantokrator, Church of Dormition, Daphni, Greece, c. 1090-1100 CE
Crucifixion, mosaic in the Church of the Dormition, Daphni, Greece, c. 1090–1100 CE

Early Islamic Art
Dome of the Rock (interior and exterior), Jerusalem, 687–692 CE
Great Mosque (aerial and mosaic), Damascus, Syria, 706–715 CE
Koran page, 9th or early 10th century
Great Mosque, Córdoba, Spain, c. 750-965 CE

Medieval Art of West Africa
Roped Water Basin, Igbo Ukwu, Nigeria, 9th – 10th c CE
Equestrian Figure on Fly-Whisk Hilt, Igbo Ukwu, Nigeria, 9th – 10th c CE
King, from Ita Yemoo (Ifé), Nigeria, 11th – 12th c CE
Great Mosque, Djenne, Mali, 13th c CE

**Medieval Hindu Art and Architecture**

Boar Avatar of Vishnu Rescuing the earth, Udayagiri, India, c. 425 CE
Shiva as Mahadeva, Elephanta, India, c. 550-575 CE
Vishnu asleep on the Serpent Ananta, Vishnu Temple, Deogarh, India, c. 525 CE
Rajarajeshvara Temple, Thanjavur, India, c. 1010
Vishvanatha Temple, Khajuraho, India, c. 1000
Shiva as Nataraja, India, c. 1000 CE

**Tang and Song China**

Vairocana Buddha, Longmen Caves, Luoyang, China, completed 675 CE
Paradise of Amitabha, wall painting, Dunhuang, China, c. 750 CE
YAN LIBEN, Emperor Xuan and Attendants, detail of Thirteen Emperors, c. 650 CE
Neighing Horse, 8th – 9th century CE
FAN KUAN, Travelers Among Mountains and Streams, 11th century CE
MA YUAN, On a Mountain Path in Spring, 13th century CE

**Asuka, Nara and Heian Japan**

TORI BUSSHI, Shaka Triad, 623 CE
Kondo, Horyuji, c. 680 CE
Phoenix Hall, 1053 CE
*Genji Visits Murasaki, Tale of Genji*, c. 1100 – 1150 CE
*The Flying Storehouse, Legends of Mount Shigi*, c. 1175 CE

**Early Medieval Art of Europe**

Purse cover from Sutton Hoo, England, c. 625 CE
Wooden Portal of the Stave Church at Urnes, Norway, c. 1050-1070 CE
Chi-Rho-Iota Page, Book of Kells, c. 800 CE

**Romanesque Art**

Saint-Sernin, Toulouse, France, c. 1070-1120 (aerial, interior, plan)
GISLEBERTUS, Last Judgement, tympanum, Saint-Lazare, Autun, France, c. 1120-1135
Virgin and Child (Morgan Madonna), 12th century CE
The vision of Hildegard of Bingen, from Trier or Bingen, Germany, ca. 1050–1079 CE
Funeral Procession, detail of the Bayeux Tapestry, c. 1070-80 CE

**Gothic Art**

Chartres Cathedral, Chartres, France
Old Testament Kings and Queens, Jamb statues, Chartres, c 1145-55 CE
Rose window and lancets, Chartres Cathedral, c 1220 CE
Annunciation and Visitation jamb statues, Reims Cathedral, Reims, France, c 1230 CE
Virgin of Jeanne d’Evreux, Saint-Denis, France, 1339 CE
ARTh211 – Ch’ien
Spring 2020

ARTh 211 Introduction to Art History: 14th Century – Modern
Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 – 11:50, Art 108
Dr. Letha Ch’ien
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Office Hours: Mon. 12:00 - 1:30pm; Thur. 11:30 - 12:30pm, Art 105

Course Description
A survey course covering painting, sculpture and architecture from the Renaissance to the present with a global perspective. Satisfies GE Area C1 (Fine Arts). Students who have taken ARTH 160B will not receive credit for taking ARTH 211. This class will blow your mind.

Learning Objectives
• Develop visual literacy with a diverse range of cultural artifacts and visual systems
• Understand the relationship between the arts and their particular social, historical and cultural contexts paying attention to cross cultural similarities and differences.
• Understand the significance of works of art and develop a language and appropriate vocabulary to communicate about them.
• Develop skills in seeing, describing and analyzing works of art and their relationships to historical and cultural contexts and express that knowledge both orally and in writing.

Assignments
Attendance & Participation  15%
Midterm  20%  03/05
Museum Paper  25%  03/24
Final  25%  05/12

Extra Credit: up to 3 points each on the midterm or final. You may turn in one assignment per week.

• Attend a cultural event (GMC, campus lecture, theater, concert, etc. ask me if you’re not sure) and write a 1-2 page report
• Read a scholarly art history article and write a 1-2 page report
• Go to a museum or gallery and write a 1-2 page report on a work of art and/or exhibit

Grading:
Grades signify as follows:

A = Excellent  B = Good
C = Average  D = Inadequate  F = Failing

If you believe you have received a grade in error, you may submit a request for review. Each request needs to be accompanied by a one-page essay explaining why you believe the original grade to be in error and citing evidence for your argument. Tardy papers will be penalized a full letter grade each day it is late – n.b. the end of lecture is late. Extensions must be requested in advance of the due date.

All work must cite sources appropriately using either MLA or Chicago style citation guidelines. Failure to credit others’ ideas and research is plagiarism and will result in a failing grade on the
assignment and a failing grade in the course. You will be reported to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs. If you have questions regarding citation, please come and talk to me *before* the assignment is due. Significant grammar, citation, and/or spelling errors will result in an automatic 1/3 grade reduction.

Papers and assignments are due *at the beginning of class* and are otherwise marked late.

Please print the reading before coming to class.

**Dropping and Adding**

Students are responsible for understanding add/drop policies and procedures. Registration information is available at [http://web.sonoma.edu/registration/](http://web.sonoma.edu/registration/)

Add/Drop policy information is available at [http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/geninfo/drop-refunds](http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/geninfo/drop-refunds).

**Textbook**

A textbook is not required, but it is recommended. Art history survey courses cover a lot of history and many different cultures. Textbooks help organize and make sense of what can become a swirl of information. Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, any edition is fine, though newer is better.

**SSU Writing Center 1103 Schultz**

The SSU Writing Center is available to provide tutoring support as you work on the writing for this course. The Center is open during regular business hours each weekday. To work with a tutor, you can make an appointment by calling the Center at 664-4401.

**Recording**

Recording (audio or video) of this course is prohibited unless explicitly permitted by instructor consent in accordance with disability accommodations. Any recordings made in connection with DSS accommodations are for the student's personal academic use only and may not be distributed in any manner.

**FAQs**

- The library is great! It can be accessed online [http://library.sonoma.edu](http://library.sonoma.edu) and in person. I highly recommend contacting Mary Wegmann, our arts librarian for research help. You can begin with something as unformed as “I don’t know where to begin.” [Mary.Wegmann@sonoma.edu](mailto:Mary.Wegmann@sonoma.edu).
- Counseling and Psychological Services have drop-in appointments at Stevenson 1088 (707-664-2153) [http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr](http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr)
- If you require classroom accommodations, please contact Disability Services [http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/](http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/) and let me know so we can work together.
- The SSU Writing Center is located at Schulz 1103. You can make appointments for individual tutoring covering punctuation, citation formats, and even form a writing group. [http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter](http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter)
- You may call me Dr. Ch’ien or Prof. Ch’ien and my pronouns are she/hers. If I make a mistake with your pronouns or name pronunciation, please let me know.
• If you experience sexual assault, sexual harassment, or discrimination, it is not your fault. Sonoma State has a Title IX office https://web.sonoma.edu/hr/titleix/ with links for confidential support, reporting a crime, and a rape crisis hotline (707-545-7273)
• Hungry? Lobo’s Pantry provides food in Zinfandel across from the Student Health Center. Hours can be found here: https://web.sonoma.edu/studentaffairs/cocurriculum.html
• If you experience a gap in childcare that could prevent you coming to class, please feel free to bring your child. Parenting students may sit near the door in case they need to exit; non-parenting students can leave those seats free for their classmates.
• When sending me an email, please identify the class and introduce your question, topic, issue, etc. I receive a lot of email and the information helps me respond.

Class Schedule subject to change
*Please print the reading before coming to class.*

01/21 Lecture 01 Introduction Late Medieval Europe

01/23 Lecture 02 Northern Renaissance I

01/28 Lecture 03 Quattrocento Italy I

01/30 Discussion 01 Period Eye

02/04 Lecture 04 Quattrocento II

02/06 Lecture 05: Yuan & Ming Dynasty China

02/11 Discussion 02: Things vs. Art
Reading • Clunas, Craig, "Introduction" *Superfluous Things: Material Culture and Social Status in Early Modern China* (Honolulu, University of Hawai’i Press, 2004): 1-8.

02/13 **AI WEIWEI NEVER SAY SORRY**

02/18 Lecture 06: Cinquecento Italy

02/20 Discussion 03: Artistic Freedom
Reading: • Selections from the Council of Trent 1563 and Veronese’s Trial Before the Holy Tribunal pp. 62-70. (Holt Documentary History of Art)

02/25 Lecture 08: Aztec & Inka Empires

02/27 Lecture 09: Northern Renaissance II

03/03 **MIDTERM REVIEW**
03/05 MIDTERM

03/10 Lecture 10: Italian Baroque

03/12 Lecture 11: Northern Baroque Art

SPRING BREAK March 16 – 20

03/24 Lecture 12: Early Modern African Kingdoms: Igbo, Benin

03/26 Discussion 04: Restitution
• Artnet article - "Benin’s Looted Bronzes Are All Over the Western World" https://news.artnet.com/art-world/benin-bronzes-restitution-1322807

03/31 Cesar Chavez Holiday

04/02 NO CLASS
Go to a museum for the paper assignment.

04/07 Lecture 13: Rococo and Neoclassicism

04/09 Lecture 14: Romanticism & Orientalism

04/14 Discussion 05: Orientalism

04/16 Annabelle Lopez Ochoa Lecture at 4:30pm
** No class at 10:00am **

04/21 Lecture 15: Realism and Impressionism

04/23

** Annabelle Lopez Ochoa Essay Due **

04/30 Lecture 17: Early 20th c. Art in Europe & America
05/05 Lecture 18: Post-War Modernism

05/07 FINAL REVIEW

Final Exam: **Tuesday, May 12 11:00 - 12:50 **
Introduction to Art History: Renaissance to Modern Art

Location: Art 108  
Time: Wed, 8:00 - 11:40 a.m.

Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Bethke  
Office Hours: Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. - noon, and by appt., Art 110  
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Mailbox: Art Dept Office, Art 128

Course Description:
This course introduces the major developments in art and architecture from the Renaissance through the Modern periods. It will focus on artistic trends in Europe, and will also include sections on Islamic art, China, Japan, and Africa. Since the scope of the course is quite broad, our focus will be on selected artists and art objects that are representative of their socio-historical moment, and which present the political, religious and cultural dynamics of their time. We will also study the artistic styles of different periods, and consider art's aesthetic functions.

Student Learning Outcomes:
At the end of this course, you should be able to:
• Demonstrate literacy in the art history of early modern through modern European and selected other societies, by showing knowledge of representative works.
• Explain examples of the relationship between the arts and their social, historical and cultural contexts.
• Know about a variety of materials and artistic techniques, and their relationships to historical and cultural contexts.
• Describe and analyze works of art and their connection to historical and cultural contexts, and express that knowledge both verbally and in writing.

Books to purchase, rent, or access on reserve:
Available at the SSU bookstore, and on reserve at the SSU library.  
  • The 14th edition of the textbook is required (earlier editions will not match our class assignments and are missing images)  
  • Be sure to buy the "Global History" version of the textbook  
  • You do NOT need to have an online access code with your book

Class Canvas page:
• Our class schedule, required reading, paper assignments, etc. are all posted on Canvas.
• Canvas is also where you will access all class handouts, including the syllabus, weekly image lists, and required reading pdf's.

Course Requirements and Grades:

Your grade is based upon the requirements listed below. Assignments will be graded as follows:

10% - - - - Attendance and Participation
30% - - - - 4 Reading-Response Essays
10% - - - - ‘Mini’ Midterm
20% - - - - Midterm Exam
30% - - - - Final Exam

(Optional extra credit: Museum visit essay: 1/2 point class grade-raise if B or better)

• Attendance and Participation (10%) You are required to attend all lectures. Much of the material presented in lecture is not included in your textbook, so attending class is absolutely critical in this class. I will often take roll twice in class - if you’ve left before class ends you will be marked absent for the day. Attendance will be tracked on Canvas (attending class = 2 points / tardy = 1.5 points). Excessive tardiness, leaving early, or having your cell phone out are all grounds for being marked absent.

We will often do in-class activities or assignments. These will be done in groups, in pairs, individually, or as a full class. Activities will vary widely, and will range from reading and discussion, to short writing assignments, to group presentations, even to occasional games.

Good participation means doing the activities, but also tossing ideas around, being willing to experiment and wonder, and asking questions. I understand that not everyone is naturally inclined to speak in class settings. If this describes you, I recommend 'biting the bullet' and speaking early in the semester – the more often you contribute, the easier it gets (truly!).

• Reading-Response Essays (4 of them) (30% total) Four short essays will be due over the course of the semester, which will be responses to reading assignments of primary sources written during our periods of study. Each essay will be 1-2 pages. They will be graded on quality of content, and quality of writing. Missed essays will result in a 0 grade, which will severely impact your grade here - turn in all 4 essays.

• ‘Mini’ Miderm (10%) The ‘mini’ midterm, like the midterm and final exams, will cover information from the textbook, Canvas readings, and lectures. The ‘mini’ midterm is meant to prepare you for the exams; as such, it will be shortened version of the types of questions you’ll see on the midterm and final: slide IDs (identifying the title, artist, period style, and date of an artwork), definitions of terms, short answer questions, and one longer essay. You may not miss the ‘mini’ midterm. Make-up exams will only be allowed if arrangements are made in advance, with a written excuse from a doctor or consultation with me about dire extenuating circumstances.

• Midterm and Final Exam (20 and 30%) The midterm and final exams will cover information from the textbook, Canvas readings, and lectures. The exams will consist of slide
IDs, definitions of terms, short answer questions, and longer essays. You may not miss an exam - if you do, you are in danger of failing the class. Make-up exams will only be allowed if arrangements are made in advance, with a written excuse from a doctor or consultation with me about dire extenuating circumstances.

**Optional Extra Credit Opportunity** You may write an optional, 2-3 page essay for extra credit if you choose. If you receive a B or better on the essay, your overall class grade will be raised by a 1/2 point (e.g. from B- to B). The essay will be based on a museum trip to either the San Francisco Legion of Honor, or a local art museum that I will choose. It will be due at the end of the semester.

**Basic Explanation of Grades:**

A = Outstanding work, indicated by an excellent critical understanding and articulation of course material, and the demonstration of independent thinking.

B = Good work, indicated by a much more than satisfactory understanding and articulation of course material.

C = Satisfactory work, indicated by a basic understanding and articulation of course material.

D = Unsatisfactory work, indicated by inadequate understanding and articulation of course material.

F = Failure to complete all course work and/or inability to demonstrate an understanding and articulation of course material.

**Viewing your grades during the semester:**

- All grades are posted to Canvas over the course of the semester.

**Note:**

- Academic dishonesty including plagiarism and cheating is against SSU policy and will be penalized accordingly.

**Strategies for Success in this Course:**

- **Read the assigned readings before class, and take notes.** This way, you will already be familiar with the subject matter and more able to understand lecture. Understanding college-level texts requires that you to take notes as you read. I recommend printing out all Canvas reading pdf's, so you can adequately take notes. If you read without taking notes, you will have lost your thoughts by the time exams come.

- **Attend class.** Attending class is crucial to your success in this course. Much information given in class is not included in the textbook. Mastering class content requires both your attendance and attentiveness.
• Take notes during class. Some questions to guide your note-taking:
  - What defines different period styles – how can you distinguish them?
  - What historical context is relevant?
  - What new vocabulary has been introduced and how is it defined?
  - Who are the main artists discussed in class?
  - How are particular artworks distinct, innovative, or characteristic of a specific period?

• Exams: For the exams, there are two main strategies to keep in mind:
  - 1) Make sure you can define and describe all the period styles (e.g. Italian Renaissance, Impressionism, etc.) we discuss in class. It is helpful to make a list of characteristics for each period. Know the main artists associated with each period style. If you feel comfortable explaining a style verbally to someone, that’s a good sign that you’ll be able to answer related questions on the exam.
  - 2) You will be required to identify (ID) certain artworks. IDs you are responsible for are marked with an asterisk on each week's image list. Flashcards are useful for memorizing these.

The basic structure of the exams is posted on Canvas, and we will discuss exam content and strategy in class leading up to the exams.

• Participate in class, for better comprehension and to prepare for the exams: I design our class activities around honing your art history skills: looking carefully and analytically at art, practicing the comparative aspects of art history, and articulating your thoughts in writing are all skills we'll be working on via activities in class. Your robust participation means better success in class.

No-Technology Policy:
Put away your cell phones during class. Ringing or vibrating cell phones, texting, emailing and web surfing are distracting to you and your classmates, and disrespectful to your instructor. Use of your phone during class is grounds for being marked absent.

I strongly prefer that you not use laptops/tablets in the classroom. Using a pen and paper to take notes is better for your knowledge retention, much less distracting for your classmates and yourself, and more respectful to me.

Multiple studies have now shown that so-called "multitasking" with technology is deleterious to high-level thinking and concentration. My aim is to train your brain to be able to sustain long periods of rigorous concentration and analysis. Using phones and computers in the classroom directly undermines this goal.

No Recordings Policy:
Students may not record (audio or video) in this class except with my permission, and then only in accordance with DSS accommodations. Any recordings made in connection with a DSS accommodation are for the student’s personal academic use only, and may not be distributed in any manner to any other individual.
University Policies:
Academic integrity
The University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available online at http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm. Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at Sonoma State University and the University’s policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work. Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified.

Campus Policy on Disability Access for Students
If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require accommodations, please register with the campus office of Disability Services for Students (DSS), located in Salazar Hall - Room 1049, Phone: (707) 664-2677, TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958. DSS will provide you with written confirmation of your verified disability and authorize recommended accommodations. This authorization must be presented to the instructor before any accommodations can be made. The policy can be found at http://www.sonoma.edu/uaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm.

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CLASS SCHEDULE

Week 1:

Wed, 1/22 --- Introduction / Early Renaissance Painting – Giotto
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Skim pages p. xxi-xxxi - use these pages as you need during the semester as we talk about classical art and architecture, classical mythology, and Christian art.
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 14 - p.400-401 intro section, p.404-409 Painting and Architecture through Arena Chapel
• Online:
  • Explore the Smarthistory.org website. Look for sections that seem interesting and useful for our class content.

Week 2:

Wed, 1/29 --- Italian Renaissance Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 14 - p. 410 artists’ contracts / Ch. 21 - p.558-560 intro section and Renaissance Humanism, p. 560-568 sculpture through Donatello, p.572-582 Florentine painting, p.582-588 architecture through palazzi, p.589-593 Perugino and Piero della Francesca
Online:
For this week, choose one Italian Renaissance video to watch on Smarthistory:
• Masaccio, Holy Trinity: https://smarthistory.org/masaccio-holy-trinity/
• Fra Angelico, Annunciation: https://smarthistory.org/fra-angelico-the-annunciation-c-1438-47/
• Botticelli, Primavera: https://smarthistory.org/sandro-botticelli-la-primavera-spring/
• Donatello, David: https://smarthistory.org/donatello-david/

Week 3:

Wed, 2/5 --- ** RESPONSE ESSAY #1 DUE ** -- Summary of Michael Baxandall, "Contracts" excerpts // Northern Renaissance / 16th Century Europe and the Power of the Church
• Response Essay #1 Reading:
  • Canvas reading handout: Michael Baxandall, "Contracts" excerpts from Painting and Experience in Fifteenth-Century Italy (Oxford Univ. Press, 1972), 1-23 excerpts
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 20 - p.534-537 intro sections, p.538-548 Van Eyck, Van der Weyden, through Van der Goes
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 22 - p.598-620 Da Vinci, Raphael, Michelangelo, through St. Peters, p.624-632 Venetian painting through Titian, p. 637 Veronese
• Online:
  • Explore Michelangelo's Sistene Ceiling - be sure to zoom in!:
    http://www.vatican.va/various/cappelle/sistina_vr/index.html

Week 4:

Wed, 2/12 --- Italian Baroque Art and Architecture / Ottoman Art and Architecture
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 24 - p.668-686 Baroque art and architecture through Pozzo
  • Canvas reading handout: "The Mosque," from Gardner vol. 1
  • Canvas reading handout: Ottoman Empire and Sinan the Great, from Gardner vol. 1

Week 5:

Wed, 2/19 --- ** RESPONSE ESSAY #2 DUE ** -- Summary of Giovanni Bellori, "Life of Caravaggio" excerpts // The French Monarchy / Chinese Imperial Art
• Response Essay #2 Reading:
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 23 - p.656-658 France / Ch. 25 - p.714-721 intro on France, Louis XIV and Versailles, Poussin and Lorrain, p.697-700 intro on Flanders, Rubens section
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 33 - p.988-999 through all of Ming Dynasty
• Online:

Week 6:

Wed, 2/26 --- ** MINI MIDTERM ** // Aztec Art - Empires in the Americas / Dutch Baroque Art - Alternatives to State Power I
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 35 - p.1023-1028 Aztec empire
  • Ch. 25 - p.694-697 intro sections, p.702-713 Dutch Republic
• Online:
  • Mesoamerica, An Introduction on the Smarthistory site: https://smarthistory.org/mesoamerica-an-introduction/

Week 7:

Wed, 3/4 --- Spanish Monarchy - Alternatives to State Power II (sort of!)/ Midterm exam review
• Reading:
  • Art Through the Ages: Ch. 24 - p.687-692 Spain
  • To aid in studying for the exam, you have at your disposal: Canvas handout posted at this week: "Exam Study Tips" and "Midterm Exam Structure"

Week 8:

Wed, 3/11 --- ** MIDTERM **

Week 9:
Wed, 3/18 --- SPRING BREAK!

Week 10:

Wed, 3/25 --- Rococo, Natural Art, Neoclassicism / Modern Architecture
• Reading:
Week 11:

Wed, 4/1 --- ** RESPONSE ESSAY #3 DUE ** -- Summary of Denis Diderot, "Salon of 1763" and "Essay on Painting: excerpts // Romanticism / Realism

- Response Essay #3 Reading:

- Reading:
  - Art Through the Ages: Ch. 27 - p.754-769 intro sections, David's students, Romanticism; p.770-775 Landscape Painting
  - Ch. 27 - p.775-782 Realism through Manet

- Online:
  Choose one Realism video to watch on Smarthistory:
  - Courbet, Burial at Ornans: https://smarthistory.org/gustave-courbet-a-burial-at-ornans/

Week 12:

Wed, 4/8 --- Early Photography / Japanese Art

- Reading:
  - Art Through the Ages: Ch. 27 - p.791-796 Photography
  - Art Through the Ages: Ch. 34 - p.1004-1009 intro and all Muromachi sections, p.1010-1017 Sen No Rikyu, Shino Ceramics, Edo / Ch. 28 - p.808 Japonisme

Week 13:

Wed, 4/15 --- Impressionism / Post-Impressionism, Symbolism

- Reading:
  - Ch. 28 - p.798-809 intro sections and Impressionism
  - Art Through the Ages: Ch. 28 - p.811-817 Post-Impressionism through Gauguin; p.819-823 Symbolism through Klimt

Week 14:
Wed, 4/22 --- **RESPONSE ESSAY #4 DUE** -- Summary of Edvard Munch, Notebook and Diary Entries // Early 20th-Century Avant Garde - Painting, and New Media

- **Response Essay #4 Reading:**
  - **Reading:**

**Week 15:**

Wed, 4/29 --- Avant-Garde Photography and Film / Art and fascism

- **Reading:**
  - Art Through the Ages: Ch. 29 - p. 877 Degenerate Art

- **Online:**

**Week 16:**

Wed, 5/6 --- Art and resistance: The 1930s and 40s / Final exam review

- **Reading:**
  - Art Through the Ages: Ch. 29 - p.850-851 Picasso’s Guernica; p.890-893 the Mexican Muralists: Orozco and Rivera
  - To aid in studying for the exam, you have at your disposal: Canvas handout posted at this week: "Exam Study Tips" and "Final Exam Structure"

**Week 17:**

Wed, 5/13 --- **FINAL EXAM**

- Our exam is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13, 8:00 - 9:50 a.m., in our regular classroom.

**OPTIONAL** extra credit museum visit essay due by this day
Islamic Art, ArtH 270a, 4 units  
Sonoma State University, Fall 2020

Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Roberson  
Office Location: Online  
Email: jennifer.roberson@sonoma.edu  
Office Hours: W 1 - 3  
Class Days/Time: TTH 1-2:50  
Classroom: Online

Course Description
This course examines Islamic art from the rise of Islam in the 7th century to the 20th century. It will cover the traditional Islamic world from Spain to the Indian sub-continent, as well as artistic developments in regions such as the United States and China. As the scope of the course is vast, the focus will be on works that are representative of specific periods or movements and will emphasize the cultural, political, and religious milieu within which individual works and monuments were created. While the material will be approached geographically and chronologically, several themes such as the definition of the Islamic art and the role of the patron in determining styles will unify the diverse artistic trends and styles produced throughout the Islamic world.

Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to (1) identify selected works of Islamic art from Spain to India in terms of style, date and iconography, (2) write essays regarding the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical, religious and cultural context, and (3) analyze and identify unknown works of Islamic art.

Required Text
Robert Hillenbrand, *Islamic Art and Architecture* (Thames & Hudson, 1999, ISBN-13: 9780500203057) is available at the SSU bookstore and many book sellers online. All additional readings for the course are posted in the Weekly Modules or available through the SSU library.
Course Modality and General Expectations

This is an entirely online course. This course will be delivered entirely online through the learning management system, Canvas. You will use your SSU username and password to log in to the Canvas course.

In Canvas, you will access online lessons, lectures, course materials, and resources. The midterm (Oct. 15, 1-2:50) and final (Dec. 8, 1-3) will be given using Zoom web-conferencing at the specified times/dates. All other activities will be completed on your own and all student work is to be submitted/posted online in Canvas.

Course Requirements

Weekly Modules: Each week you will have to complete a module. Each module includes assigned readings, posted lectures (which you should watch and take notes on), and other materials such as lists of vocabulary and works of art. Also, most weeks you will have to participate in a discussion, take a quiz, and/or turn in a paper. The midterm will be on Oct. 15 and the final will be on Dec. 8.

Attendance: We will only meet as a group two times, for the midterm (Oct. 15) and the final (Dec. 8). Since we do not meet regularly, it is essential that you complete the first two discussion assignments by the due dates so that I know you are participating in the class. Students who do not complete Discussion 1 and Discussion 2 may be dropped from the class. If you are unable to complete the assignments on time, but do intend to participate in the class, please contact me by Aug. 28.

Readings: The assigned readings are posted in each weekly module. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made. Readings may include chapters from the textbook, supplemental readings, and websites.

Quizzes: There will be 6 quizzes on the assigned readings (textbook, supplemental readings and websites). The quizzes will be open for a limited amount of time but will be open book. You will not have time to look up all the answers so keeping up with the readings will be important.

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Paper: A short paper (2-3 pages) is required for this class. Specific instructions will be posted at a later date. Paper due: Nov. 24.

Grading Policy

There will be six quizzes (25%), a midterm (25%), a final (25%), a paper (10%), and 8-10 discussions (15%).

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**Reading:** Excerpt from *Islam: A Thousand Years of Faith and Power* (pp. 18–48) – PDF in Canvas, or read online, find through SSU database Google Scholar by searching title.  
**Discussion 1 Due** |
| 2    | Aug. 25-27| **Lecture:** Intro to Islamic Art & The Umayyad Dynasty  
**Reading:** Hillenbrand, Ch. 1  
Figural Representation in Islamic Art - http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/figs/hd_figs.htm  
https://smarthistory.org/mosque-damascus  
**Discussion 2 Due** |
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**Reading**: Hillenbrand, Ch. 2  
Calligraphy in Islamic Art - [http://www.vam.ac.uk/content/articles/c/calligraphy-in-islamic-art/](http://www.vam.ac.uk/content/articles/c/calligraphy-in-islamic-art/)  
Making Parchment - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nuNfdHNTv9o&app=desktop](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nuNfdHNTv9o&app=desktop)  
Making Paper - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lltkdyE1OG0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lltkdyE1OG0)  
**Discussion 3 Due** |
| 4    | Sept. 8-10 | **Lecture**: Umayyads moves West: Spain  
**Reading**: Ettinghausen and Grabar, Chapter 4, the Muslim West  
**Quiz 1 Due Sept. 8**: Readings (textbook and websites) on Modules 1 – 3 (Intro to Islam, Umayyads, Abbasids) |
| 5    | Sept. 15-17| **Lecture**: Fatimids of Egypt  
**Reading**: Hillenbrand, Ch. 3 and al-Aqmar Mosque, Cairo  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H6kZnKH3AmJ05jaz494IPwrK6V5Yb8Rs/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H6kZnKH3AmJ05jaz494IPwrK6V5Yb8Rs/view)  
**Discussion 4** |
| 6    | Sept. 22-24| **Lecture**: Early Iran and the Saljuqs  
**Reading**: Hillenbrand, Ch. 4, Great Mosque of Isfahan:  
[https://smarthistory.org/the-great-mosque-or-masjid-e-jameh-of-isfahan/](https://smarthistory.org/the-great-mosque-or-masjid-e-jameh-of-isfahan/)  
and MET Sufism and Art:  
[http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/sufi/hd_sufi.htm](http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/sufi/hd_sufi.htm)  
**Recommended for more information on the Shahnana**:  
[Shahnana: 1000 Years of the Persian Book of Kings - https://asia.si.edu/learn/shahnana/ → make sure to click on list at left of home page, you can click on images and zoom in to see minute details. We will discuss the paintings in greater detail in Module 12](https://asia.si.edu/learn/shahnana/)  
**Quiz 2 Due Sept. 22**: Readings (textbook and websites) on Modules 4 -5 (Early Spain and Fatimids) |
| 7    | Sept. 29 - Oct. 1 | **Lecture**: Saljuq Legacy: Atabegs and Sultanate period of India  
**Reading**: Hillenbrand, Ch. 5 and Dehejia, excerpts from *Indian Art*  
**Discussion 5** |
| 8    | Oct. 6-8   | **ZOOM Meeting Oct 8**  
**Lecture**: Arts and Orthodoxy: the Mamluks  
**Reading**: Hillenbrand, Ch. 6  
**Quiz 3 Due Oct. 6**: Readings (textbook and websites) on Modules 6 – 7 (Early Iran, Saljuqs, Atabegs, Sultanate India) |
| 9    | Oct. 13-15 | **MIDTERM (will include more multiple choice questions on Module 8 Readings (textbook and websites) on Mamluks**  
**October 15, 1 – 2:50** |
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**Preliminary Slide List (Subject to change)**

*Umayyads (661-750)*
House of the Prophet Muhammad (reconstruction drawing), c. 624
Dome of the Rock (interior and exterior), Jerusalem, 688-691
Great Mosque at Damascus (interior and exterior), 715
Silver coins, 7th century
Concert Hall/bath hall and Floor mosaic, Khirbat al-Mafjar, c. 740
Vault fresco with Human and Animal Figures, Qusair ‘Amra, c. 725
Ewer, c. 750
Brazier, c. 750

**Abbasids (750-1258)**
Round City of Baghdad, founded 762
St Josse Silk, before 961
Ikat Cotton Cloth, 10th century
Glazed luster relief dish, 9th century
Dish covered with white slip and painted with brown Kufic inscription, 9th – 10th century
*Treatise of Fixed Stars*, 1009 (posted on Moodle)
*De Materia Medica*, early 13th c. (posted on Moodle)
Stucco wall panels, Samarra, 836 - 892, Iraq
Restored wall painting from Jausaq al-Khaqani palace, Samarra, 836-39
Hajji Piyada Mosque, 9th c., Balkh, Afghanistan
Great Mosque of Qairawan, 836 and later, Qairawan, Tunisia
Quran pages, 9th – 10th century

**Umayyad Spain (711- c. 1010) and Beyond (11th – 13th centuries)**
Great Mosque of Cordoba (aerial and interior), 8th-10th c., Cordoba, Spain
- Phase I: 786 Abd al-Rahman I
- Phase II: 836 Abd al-Rahman II
- Phase III: 962 al-Hakam
- Phase IV: 987 al-Mansur (vizier)
Madinat al-Zahra, c. 936, Province of Cordoba (Moodle only)
Ivory Pyxis made for Subh, 964
Aljaferia Palace, completed 1080, Zaragoza, Spain
Minbar, c. 1125-1130, Cordoba, Spain (Moodle only)
*Shroud of San Pedro de Osma* 12th century (Moodle only)
*Almohad Banner*, 1212-1250
*Bayad and Riyad* c. 1200.

**Fatimids (969-1171)**
Mosque of al-Hakim, Cairo, 990-1013
Aqmar Mosque, 1125
Blue Vellum *Quran*, c. 1020
Wall paintings from Cappella Palatina (Palatine Chapel), Palermo, Sicily, c. 1140
Rock Crystal, 11th - 12th c.
Luster bowl which shows Coptic Priest, 12th c.

**Early and Saljuq Iran (10th – 13th c)**
Tomb of the Samanids, 920s, Bukhara
Gunbad-i Qabus (Tomb of Qabus), 1006/7, Gurgan
Friday Mosque, 10th century and onwards, Isfahan
Bobrinski Bucket, 12th century
Overglaze-painted beaker in Minai technique, 13th century
Moulded luster plate with royal groom, pool and entourage, 1210

**Atabegs (1100-1300)**
- Ala al-Din Mosque, 1156-1220, Konya, Turkey
- Karatay Madrasa, 1252, Konya, Turkey (Moodle only)
- *Maqamat* (or Assemblies), 1230, Leningrad; 1234, Paris
- Book of Knowledge of Mechanical Devices (Automata), 14th century (Moodle only)
- Brass Canteen, 13th century, Syria

**Sultanate Period (12th – 14th c)**
- Quwwat al-Islam Mosque Complex, Commenced 1192, Delhi
- Quwwat al-Islam Mosque’s Screen, 1198, Delhi
- Qutb Minar (minaret), Quwwat al-Islam Complex, 1199, Delhi
- Ilutmish’s Tomb, Quwwat al-Islam Complex, c. 1230 (Moodle only)
- Ceremonial Gate, Quwwat al-Islam, 1311, Delhi

**Mamluks (1250-1517)**
- Complex of Hasan, Cairo, 1356-63 (Moodle only)
- Glass Lamp, 14th c.
- Qur’an Stand, 14th c. (Moodle only)
- Qur’ans, 14th c.
- St. Louis Baptistery, 1290-1310
- *Kalila and Dimna*, 1354 (Moodle only)

**Nasrids (1238-1492)**
- The Alhambra (Court of the Lions, Dome of the Two Sisters), 14th c., Granada
- Textiles (carpets and curtains), c. 14th c (Moodle only)
- Luster storage vase, c. 1400

**Empire of Mali (12th – 15th c)**
- DjinguereBer Mosque in Timbuktu c. 1327

**Ilkhanids (1258-1336), Timurids (1370-1500) and Ming China (1368-1644)**
- Mausoleum of Oljeitu, 1304-15, Sultaniya
- *World History*, ca. 1315, painted in Tabriz
- *The Great Mongol Shahnama*, ca. 1330
- Gur-i Amir (Tomb of the Prince), 1401 – 04, Samarqand
- Great Mosque, 1392 and later, Xi’an (Moodle only)

**Safavids (1501-1732)**
- *The Tahmasp Shahnameh (Shahnama)* c. 1530, painted in Tabriz (Moodle only)
- Masjid-i Shah (Royal Mosque or Masjid-i Imam), Isfahan, 1612-30
- Ardabil Carpet, 1539-40

**Mughals (1526-1857)**
Humayun’s Tomb, 1571, Delhi (Moodle only)

*Akbar Nama (The Book of Akbar)*, ca. 1580 (Moodle only)

*Jahangir of India and Shah Abbas of Persia*, Abu’l Hasan, c. 1618-22

*Nur Jahan Hosting a Banquet for Jahangir and Prince Khurram*, c. 1617 (Moodle only)

Taj Mahal, 1631-43, Agra (Moodle only)

Bahshahi Mosque, 1673-74, Lahore

**Ottomans (1281 - 1924)**

Suleymaniye Mosque (int & ext), 16th century, Istanbul (exterior on Moodle only)

*Suleyman Nama (Book of Sulaiman)*, 1558 (Moodle only)

Iznik dish, 16th c

Kaftans and Carpets, 16th c (Moodle only)

**Colonial Era (19th – 20th c)**

World’s Fairs (Paris and Chicago), 19th c (Moodle only)

Algiers, Algeria, French Colonial rule 1830-1962 (Moodle only)

Dolmabahce Palace, 1856, Istanbul (Moodle only)

Plan of Beyazit Square, 1902, Istanbul (Moodle only)

**Contemporary Era (late 20th c)**

King Faisal Mosque, 1976-84, Islamabad, Pakistan (Moodle only)

Vedat Dalokay, architect; Menga Ertel, tile designer

Hassan II Mosque, 1986-93, Casablanca, Morocco (Moodle only)

Michel Pinseau, architect

New York Islamic Cultural Center, 1978-91, New York, NY (Moodle only)

Architect: Skidmore, Owings and Merrill

Ustad Shujaullah, *Woman and Bird*, undated, Pakistan (Moodle only)

Shazia Sikandar, *Extra Ordinary Realities*, 1996, Pakistan/USA (Moodle only)

Ahmad Moustafa, *Quranic Fugue*, 1976, Egypt (Moodle only)

-----. *Still Life with Quranic Solids*, 1987 (Moodle only)

Parviz Tanavoli, *Hich*, ca. 1960s, Iran (Moodle only)

-----. *Hich in Chair*, 1973 (Moodle only)


-----. *Martyrdom #1*, 1995 (Moodle only)
A mountain nearby has one aspect. Several miles away it has another aspect, and some tens of miles away yet another. Each distance has its particularity. This is called “the form of the mountain changing with each step.” The front face of a mountain has one appearance. The side face has another appearance, and the rear face yet another. Each angle has its particularity. This is called “the form of a mountain viewed on every face.” Thus can one mountain combine in itself the forms of several thousand mountains. Should you not explore this? Mountains look different in the spring and summer, the autumn and winter. This is called “the scenery of the four seasons is not the same.” A mountain in the morning has a different appearance from in the evening. Bright and dull days give further mutations. This is called “the changing aspects of different times are not same.” Thus can one mountain combine in itself the significant aspects of several thousand mountains. Should you not investigate this?

Guo Xi

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**Course Description**

This is a broad survey course that is designed as an introduction to the arts of South Asia, China and Japan from the Neolithic through contemporary eras. The geographic and chronological span covered is vast so the course is designed to introduce key masterpieces, monuments, and moments in the history of South Asia, China and Japan. An emphasis will be placed on understanding the cultural, political and/or religious significance of the works in addition to the styles and methods employed in their creation.

**Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives**

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to (1) identify various style periods from south Asia, China and Japan (2) identify individual works according to date, year.

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style, artist, and location (3) define and use art historical terminology (4) write essays addressing the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical and cultural context, (5) compare approaches to artistic expression used by peoples in different places and times, and (6) analyze unknown works of art to determine their function, place and date of creation, and significance to the cultures to which they pertain.

Required Text
Available at the SSU bookstore, North Light Books, and on reserve at the library.

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Strategies for Success in This Course

1. Learning art history has some features in common with learning a language. Regular study and review are very important as you will not be able to absorb and understand the material just before the exam.

2. Attendance is crucial to your understanding - much information given in class is not included in the textbook. Grasping the bigger picture requires both your attendance and attentiveness.

3. One of the major mistakes students make is coming to class without having read the material. Read the assigned readings BEFORE class. This way, you will already be familiar with the subject matter that will be discussed and more able to contribute to discussion. Listening to the lecture and other people’s questions is NOT enough. Also, if there are any aspects of the reading that are unclear to you, you can clarify them in class.

4. Take notes during class. Some questions to keep in mind include:
What makes a particular work distinct, innovative, or characteristic of a specific period? What defines different style periods – how can you distinguish them? How would you characterize them? What new vocabulary has been introduced and how is it defined?

5. Preparing for Exams: On the exams, you will be required to identify works discussed in class. Identification includes: title, style period, artist and century. You may also be asked to define art historical terms and periods. Flashcards may be helpful for learning dates, titles, etc.

   Also, you will be required to define and describe the style periods discussed. Make sure you can do this. It may be helpful to make a list of characteristics for each period. Or, try to explain what is typical of the various periods to a classmate. If you feel comfortable explaining a style (i.e. Shang) verbally to a friend or parent, that’s a good sign that you’ll be able to answer related questions on the exam. Studying in groups also may be helpful.

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**Read:** Craven Chaps 1-2  
**Recommended:** [http://www.harappa.com](http://www.harappa.com): “Around the Indus in 90 Slides” and MUCH more! |
|      | Jan. 30  | **Lecture:** Rise of Buddhism in S. Asia  
**Read:** Craven Chaps 2-7 |
| 3    | Feb. 4   | **Lecture:** Rise of Buddhism in S. Asia (continued)  
DUE - *Homework* - Edicts of the Indian Mauryan Emperor Ashoka  
**Read:** Craven Chaps 2-7 |
|      | Feb. 6   | **Lecture:** Hindu Art and Architecture  
**Read:** Craven Chaps 7-10 |
| 4    | Feb. 11  | **Lecture:** Hindu Art and Architecture (continued) |
|      | Feb. 13  | **Lecture:** Islam, The Mughals and their contemporaries  
**Read:** Craven, Chaps. 10-11 |
| 5    | Feb. 18  | **Lecture:** Islam, The Mughals and their contemporaries (continued)  
DUE *Homework* - Akbar Riding the Elephant  
**Read:** Craven, Chaps. 10-11 |
|      | Feb. 20  | **Lecture:** 20th & 21st century art in S. Asia  
**Read:** Craven, Epilogue |
| 6    | Feb 25   | **Exam #1** |
|      |          | **Unit 2 China**                                                                                       |
|      | Feb. 27  | **Lecture:** Ancient Civilizations (China)  
**Read:** Tregear Chaps 1-3 |
| 7    | March 4-6| **Lecture:** Funerary Art in China and the Rise of Buddhism  
**Read:** Tregear Chaps 4-6  
DUE March 4 *Homework* - A Magic Army for the Emperor |
| 8    | March 11 | **Lecture:** Funerary Art in China and the Rise of Buddhism (continued)  
**Read:** Tregear Chaps 4-6 |
|      | March 13 | **Lecture:** China - Landscapes and Palaces  
**Read:** Tregear Chaps 7-11 |
| 9    | March 18-20 | **SPRING BREAK**                                 |
| 10   | March 25-27 | **Lecture:** China - Landscapes and Palaces (continued)  
DUE March 25 *Homework* - Practices of Vision (see Moodle) |
|      | April 1  | **No Class (Cesar Chavez Day)**                                                                         |
|      | April 3  | **Lecture:** 20th & 21st century art in China  
**Read:** Tregear Chap 12 |
| 12   | April 8  | **Exam #2** |
|      |          | **Unit 3 Japan**                                                                                       |
|      | April 10 | **Lecture:** Ancient Civilizations (Japan)  
**Read:** Stanley-Baker, Chaps 1-2 |
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| 13   | April 15-17| **Lecture**: Shinto and Buddhism in Japan  
**Read**: Stanley-Baker Chaps 3-4 (stop at p 76)                                                      |
|      | April 22   | **Lecture**: Secular Arts of the Heian period  
**Read**: Stanley-Baker Chap 4 (76 - 106)  
DUE *Homework* - Gallery Assignment                                                                        |
| 14   | April 24   | **Lecture**: Shoguns and Zen Arts (Kamakura and Muromachi Periods)  
**Read**: Stanley-Baker, Chap 5                                                                        |
| 15   | April 29 -  
May 1  | **Lecture**: Art of Tea, Decorative Arts and Print making (Momoyama & Edo periods)  
**Read**: Stanley-Baker, Chap 6  
April 29 DUE *Homework* - Patronage of Tea (see Moodle)                                                     |
| 16   | May 6      | **Lecture**: Art of Tea, Decorative Arts and Print making (continued)                                  |
|      | May 8      | **Lecture**: 20th & 21st century art in Japan  
**Read**: Stanley-Baker Chap 7-8                                                                        |
|      | Final      | EXAM #3 @ 2 – 3:50                                                                                     |

**Slide Outline**

**UNIT 1: South Asia**  
**Harappan Culture/Indus Valley Civilization**  
Mohenjo-Daro (plan and reconstruction), c. 2300-1750 BE  
Mohenjo-Daro, the Great bath, c. 2300-1750 BCE  
Seal showing a Brahmani bull, c. 2300-1750 BCE  
Terracotta Mother goddess figurine, c. 2300-1750 BCE  
Male Torso from Harappa, c. 2300-1750 BCE  
Figurine of a Young Woman, c. 2300-1750

**Maurya, Shunga, and Andhra Periods**  
Lauriya Nandangarh Edict Pillar, c. 242 BCE  
Lion Capital at Sarnath, c. 250 BCE  
Yakshi from Didarganj, c. 200 BCE  
Railing from the Bharhut stupa, c. 2nd century BCE  
North gate-post of the Bharhut Stupa, showing Chandra Yakshi, c 2nd century BCE  
Queen Maya’s Dream, Railing Medallion from the Bharhut Stupa, c. 2nd century BCE  
Bhaja, Façade of the Chaitya Hall, c. 150 BCE  
Bhaja, Reliefs of Surya and Indra, c. 150 BCE  
Sanchi, Great Stupa, c. 3rd c BCE – 1st c CE  
Sanchi, Great Stupa, detail of East Gate with Yakshi, c. 25 BCE – 25 CE

**Kushan and Gupta Periods**  
The Buddha Seated on a Lion Throne, Mathura, c. 130 CE  
Meditating Buddha, from Gandhara, Pakistan, second century CE  
Sections of a Frieze from Gandhara showing the Birth of the Buddha, etc, 2nd c. CE
The Buddha Preaching the Law, Sarnath, 5th c CE
Standing Buddha from Mathura, late 4th – early 5th c CE
Vishnu as the Cosmic Boar, Udayagiri, 401-02 CE
Temple 17, Sanchi, mid 5th c CE
Vishnu Temple, (Vishnu Reclining on His Serpent) Deogarh, c. 425 CE
Elephantana, Shiva Temple (image of Shiva) c. 600 CE

Pallava, Chola and Chandella Periods
Mamallapuram, Descent of the Ganges, 7th – 8th c CE
Rajarajeshvara Temple, Tanjore, c. 1000 CE
Parvati, c. 10th c CE
Shiva Nataraja, 11th – 12th c CE
Kandariya Mahadeo Temple, Khajuraho, c. 1025-50 CE

Sultanate, Sur and Mughal Periods
Quwwat ul-Islam (Might of Islam) Mosque, initial phase completed in 1192
Qutb Minar (minaret), begun 1199
Tomb of Isa Khan, Delhi, 1547
Tomb of Humayun, 1565-72, Delhi
Fatehpur Sikri, Panch Mahal (Palace of Five Storeys), begun 1571
Akbar Nama (The Book of Akbar) by Abul Fazl, ca. 1595
Jahangir Seated on an Allegorical Throne, by Bichitr, c. 1625
Portrait of Shah Jahan, c. 1632
Taj Mahal, Agra, completed 1653

Modern and Contemporary Art
Ravi Varma, Lady Carrying a Child, 19th c
M.F. Husain, Mother Teresa, 20th c
Shazia Sikander, Extraordinary Realities, 20th c
Anish Kapoor, Cloud Gate, 20th c

UNIT 2: China
Neolithic China
Banpo Village, c. 4000-3000 BCE
Buff earthenware basin, c. 4000 BCE
Bi and Zong, c. 4000-3000 BCE
White pottery tripod jug, c. 2000 BCE
Black Pottery Beaker, c. 2000 BCE

Shang and Zhou
Wine storage and pouring vessel Guang, c. 1200 BCE
Three-legged vessel, c. 14th c BCE
Bucket with Swinging Handle, c. 12th-11th c BCE
Jade burial mask, c. 800 BCE

Qin and Han Dynasties
Qin Shi Huang Di’s Tomb, 3rd c BCE
Terracotta army, c. 210 BCE
Funeral Banner from Mawangdai tombs, c. 150 BCE
Gilt bronze oil lamp in form of serving girl, c. 2nd century BCE

**Northern & Southern Dynasties and Tang Dynasty**
Seated Buddha, 338 CE
Yungang, Cave 20, Colossal Rock-Cut Buddha, c. 460
Dunhuang, Cave 428 Painted Stucco Figures, 5th C
*The Paradise of Amitabha*, 8th century
Foguangsi Hall on Mount Wutai, mid 9th century

**Song Dynasty**
Fan Kuan, *Travelling in Streams and Mountains*, c. 1000
Guo Xi, *Early Spring*, 11th century
Ma Yuan, *On a Mountain Path in Spring*, 13th century
Xia Gui, *Pure and Remote Views of Hills and Streams*, c. 1200
Emperor Hui Zong, *Five-Colour Parakeet on a Branch of an Apricot Blossom*, c. 1100
Ding Ware, 11th – 12th c
Yingqing Ware, 12th – 13th c
Black Ware, 13th c

**Yuan and Ming Dynasties**
Porcelain Goblet, 14th century
Huang Gongwang, *Wandering in the Fuchun Mountains*, handscroll, c. 1350
Ni Zan, *The Rongxi Studio*, 1372
The Forbidden City, Beijing, 15th century and later
Temple of Heaven, Beijing, 15th century and later
Moon flask of blue and white porcelain, 15th century
Dai Jin, *Returning Home at Evening*, c. 1400
Shen Zhou, *Poet on a Clifftop*, c. 1500

**Modern and Contemporary Art**
Guan Zilan, *Portrait of Miss L*, 1929
Li Hua, *Rising Tide. Struggle*, 20th c
Li Keran, *Landscape Based on Chairman Mao’s Poem*, 20th c
Zhang Xiaogang, *Bloodline: Family Portrait*, 20th c

**UNIT 3 Japan**

**Jomon Period**
Earthenware with cord-marked decoration and sculptural rim, c. 3500 – 2500 BCE
*Umataka* Fired Clay Urn in Basketwork Form, c. 2500 BCE
Clay Figurine Showing Crown-shaped Hair and Insect Eyes, c. 1000-300 BCE

**Yayoi and Kofun Periods**
Storehouse (reconstruction), c. 300 BCE – 300 CE
Dotaku Ritual Bronze Bell, c. 250 CE
Clay Pitcher Showing Horizontal Decoration & Openwork Footrim, c. 100 BCE - 100 CE
“Keyhole” Tomb of Emperor Nintoku, late 4th-early 5th c CE
Haniwa figures, c. 500 CE
Asuka and Nara Periods
Shrine at Ise, 4th C. and later
Horyuji Compound (Golden Hall, Pagoda), late 7th century
Tamamushi Shrine, c. 650
Shaka Triad, 623
Rushana Buddha, 759
Ganjin seated in Meditation, c. 775

Heian Period
Phoenix Hall, Byodoin, Uji, Kyoto prefecture, c. 1053
Amida Buddha by Jocho, 1053
Kashiwagi I, detail from The Tale of Genji, 12th c
Suzumushi II, detail from The Tale of Genji, 12th c
The Flying Granary, detail from Shigisan Engi, 1156-1180

Kamakura and Muromachi Periods
Heiji Monogatari Emaki (Illustrated Tale of the Heiji Era), 13th c
Bompo, Orchids and Rocks, 14th century
Shubun, Reading in the Bamboo Studio, 15th century
Sesshu, Haboku Landscape, 15th c
Dry Garden of Ryoan-ji, Kyoto, 1480s

Momoyama and Edo Periods
Tain-an Tea House, Kyoto, designed by Sen no Rikyu, 16th c
Raku Tea Bowl, 16th c
Fujisan, Raku Tea Bowl, 17th c
Kano Eitoku, Pine and Crane, 1566
Hasegawa Tohaku, Pine Forest, late 16th c
Harunobu, Viewing Maple Leaves by the Waterfall, 18th c
Utamaro, The Coquettish Type, 18th c
Hokusai, View on a Fine Breezy Day, 19th c

Modern and Contemporary Art
Kuroda Seiki, Lake Shore, 20th c
Hishida Shunso, Fallen Leaves, 20th c
Yoshihara Jiro, Work, 1965
Masasmi Teraoka, McDonald’s Hamburgers Invading Japan, 1970s
Greek Art (ArtH 422, 4 units)
Sonoma State University, Fall 2019

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Class Days/Time: M W 10-11:50
Classroom: Art 102

Course Description
This course examines ancient Greek art from the Bronze age through the Hellenistic kingdoms. It will investigate stylistic developments while considering the historical and cultural context within which the works were created. Additional topics of discussion include: Problems in Restoration and Preservation, Archaeological Techniques, The Illegal Art Market, and The Problem of Forgeries.

Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to (1) identify selected works of ancient Greek art in terms of style, date and iconography, (2) write essays regarding the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical, religious and cultural context, (3) analyze and critique scholarly articles, and (4) research and write a paper on ancient Greek art.

Required Text

Classroom Protocol
Attendance: Regular class attendance is imperative for 2 major reasons: 1) the lectures will regularly introduce additional material not covered in your readings and 2) class participation and attendance count as 5% of your final grade. If you do not attend, you cannot participate. If you are unable to attend class due to an illness, participation in a university-sponsored event, or other serious reason, please contact me as soon as possible. If you miss class, you are still responsible for the material presented that day.

In-class Electronics Policy: All electronics (cell phones, iPods, computers, etc) must be turned off and remain off throughout the class. The use of electronics is prohibited during exams and quizzes. If any type of electronic is used, for any reason, during an exam, quiz, or other assignment, a grade of “0” will automatically be assigned, unless prior arrangements have been made with me.
Course Requirements

Readings: It is helpful if you complete the readings before class. Below is a schedule of lecture topics and readings which will serve as an outline for the course. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made.

Exams: There will be two exams during the semester. The exams will consist of slide IDs (title, artist, period), short answers, and essay questions.

Short writing assignments: Some of the readings are marked ** This indicates that there is a short writing assignment for this article. These assignments are intended to prepare you for writing your research paper. All assignments must be handed in to Turnitin on Canvas. WRITING ASSIGNMENTS ARE REQUIRED AND AS A GROUP COUNT FOR 15% OF YOUR GRADE.

Paper & Presentation: Each student is required to give a 10 minute presentation and write an 8-10 page paper on a well-researched topic of his/her choice. See below. A hard copy of the paper must be handed as well as a digital version at Turnitin on Canvas.

Grading Policy

There will be a midterm (25%), a final (30%), a research paper (20%), several short writing assignments (15%), presentation (5%) and class participation (5%).

A (100-90) represents work of definitely superior quality
B (89-80) represents a better-than-average level of performance
C (79-70) represents an average-level of performance (i.e. meets requirements)
D (69-60) represents below-average performance
F (50-below) represents an unacceptable level of performance

University Policies

Academic integrity

Students should know that the University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available at http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm. Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at Sonoma State University and the University’s policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work.

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student.

Campus Policy on Disability Access for Students

If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require accommodations, please register with the campus office of Disability Services for Students (DSS), located in Schulz 1014a. Phone: (707) 664-2677, TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958. DSS will provide you with written confirmation of your verified disability and authorize recommended accommodations. This authorization must be presented to the instructor before any
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| 5    | Sept. 16-18| Dark Age and Geometric (Chap. 4)<br>**“Snake Goddesses, Fake Goddesses,” by Kenneth Lapatin in *Archaeology* 54 (Jan/Feb 2001). Available through Academic Search Complete and Canvas.  
| 6    | Sept. 23-25| Orientalizing Period (Chap. 5)                                                                          |
| 7    | Sept. 30   | Research workshop – Bring paper topic ideas                                                               |
| 8    | Oct. 2     | Wrap up and review                                                                                      |
| 9    | Oct. 7     | **Exam #1**                                                                                             |
| 10   | Oct. 9     | Archaic Period (Chap. 6)                                                                                 |
| 11   | Oct. 14    | Archaic Period (cont)                                                                                   |
| 12   | Oct. 16    | **PAPER TOPIC DUE!**<br>Archaic Period (cont)                                                            |
| 13   | Oct. 21-23 | Period of Transition (Chap 7)                                                                            |
| 14   | Oct. 28-30 | Period of Transition and High Classical Period (Chap 8)                                                   |
| 16   | Nov. 6     | **PAPER OUTLINE DUE!!**<br>High Classical Period (cont)                                                   |
| 17   | Nov. 11    | **No Class – Veterans Day**                                                                             |
| 18   | Nov. 13    | The Fourth Century (Chap. 9)<br>**“Parthenon and Parthenoi” by Joan Connelly in *American Journal of Archaeology* 100 (1996). Available through JSTOR. |
| 19   | Nov. 18-20 | **Presentations**                                                                                        |
| 20   | Nov. 25    | Hellenistic Period (Chap. 10)                                                                            |
| 21   | Nov. 27    | **No class – Thanksgiving**                                                                             |
| 22   | Dec. 2     | Hellenistic Period (cont)                                                                                |
| 23   | Dec. 4     | **PAPERS DUE!!!**<br>Wrap up and review                                                                    |
| 24   | Dec. 9     | **Final**<br>11-12:50                                                                                     |
Instructions for the Research Paper

**Paper:** A well-written and well-researched paper of approximately 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins) is due on Dec. 4. Late papers will be downgraded (5 points per day). If you believe you will need an extension, you must see me and request permission BEFORE the paper is due. At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted and cited. The course text does NOT count as one of the six sources nor do websites.

**Useful Resources available through SSU’s library:**
*The Grove Dictionary of Art* – Great place to begin research (contains articles and biblio).

SSU Online Databases:
Oxford Art Online (formerly Grove Art), JSTOR, and Art Index
ArtStor – Excellent source of images and basic information

**Additional Online Resources**
*The PERSEUS Project* – an impressive online cultural resource. It has searchable classical encyclopedias, atlases, collections of ancient texts, art and architecture.
[http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/](http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/)

*Parthenon Frieze* - A nice presentation of the Parthenon Frieze from the Greek Ministry of Culture.  [http://repository.parthenonfrieze.gr/frieze/](http://repository.parthenonfrieze.gr/frieze/)

*The Parthenon Reconstruction in Nashville* – A virtual visit of the Parthenon in the US.  [http://www.nashville.gov/parthenon/](http://www.nashville.gov/parthenon/)


*Alison Frantz Photo Collection: The American School of Classical Studies at Athens*  [http://www.ascsa.edu.gr/datab/AFC/afc.htm](http://www.ascsa.edu.gr/datab/AFC/afc.htm)

*Royal Tombs, Vergina*  [http://www.macedonian-heritage.gr/Museums/Archaeological_and_Byzantine/Arx_Bas_Tafoi_Berginas.html](http://www.macedonian-heritage.gr/Museums/Archaeological_and_Byzantine/Arx_Bas_Tafoi_Berginas.html)

*Art of Greek Theaters* -  [http://www.getty.edu/art/exhibitions/ancient_theater/](http://www.getty.edu/art/exhibitions/ancient_theater/)

**Paper Guidelines:**
Your paper should include
1. 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (Not including bibliography, images, or title page)
2. 12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins on top, bottom, left and right
3. An introduction
4. A thesis statement explaining the purpose of the paper or what you will argue
5. Supporting arguments
6. A conclusion – draw conclusions about your topic!
7. Although this paper is on the topic about which you will present, it should NOT be merely a written version of your presentation. Oral presentations and formal research papers are different projects.

8. Labeled images (this should be at the end of the paper)

9. A bibliography – Check *The Chicago Manual of Style* Info Commons Z253 .U69 1993 ([http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html](http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html)) for correct format. At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted. The course texts do NOT count as one of the six sources. (Note: The Internet may be useful but the information you find there is frequently NOT reliable. If you do use information from the internet, you must include the site. However, internet sources do not count towards your book/journal article requirements. Also: WIKIPEDIA is NOT a reliable source.)

10. *You must cite your sources*, both in the body of the paper (footnotes or parenthetical citations), when relevant, in addition to your bibliography.

11. A hard copy of your paper must be submitted as well as a digital one at Turnitin on Canvas.

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**General Grading Guidelines for Paper:**

A  Excellent work, creative and unique, absence of writing problems  
B  Exceeds expectations, thoughtful approach, well written, few typos  
C  Meets all requirements, some basic writing problems  
D  Falls short of requirements, poor proofreading, mechanical problems  
F  Poor in every way (effort, ideas, writing)

**Helpful Hints & Writing Tips:**

1. If you are having any difficulty with the assignment, see me during my office hours. There is no excuse for confusion. I am available during my office hours and by appointment.

2. Make sure you are analyzing your object, building or issue – not just listing or describing.

3. Proper nouns and adjectives derived from them are capitalized. Examples include: Greece, Greek, Asia Minor.

4. Avoid the use of contractions in your paper. For example, use do not, instead of don’t or cannot instead of can’t. It’s mean it is and since contractions are to be avoided, do not use it. Its is the possessive form of it. Its as a possessive form never never has an apostrophe.

5. Please avoid using the word being in your paper. Find some other way to say this word. For example, being that…is better stated since. In sentences where you are tempted to use being as a verb, use is or some present form of the verb to be in its place. Do not say: He being small… Instead, write Since he is small…

6. Use a dictionary and proofread your work. Spellcheck can lead to mistakes.

7. Check the *Chicago Manual of Style* or a similar reference book for correct bibliographical style. [http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html](http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html)

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Slide List

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  - Vasilike ware cup and jug
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  - Cycladic Figures and Heads
  - Harpist
  - Cycladic Head with Painted Decoration
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  - Hornets and honeycomb pendant, from Mallia
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  - Snake Goddess or Attendant, from Knossos

**Late Bronze Age (1550-1100 BCE)**
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  - Rhyton in the Shape of a Bull’s Head, from Knossos
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  - Household goddess statuette, from Gazi
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  - Marine style pilgrim flask, from Palaikastro
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Geometric amphora, from the Dipylon cemetery, Athens, Greece
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Female figurine, from Athens, c. 730 BCE, ivory

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Early Corinthian Animal Style Amphora, c. 625–600 BCE
Protoattic amphora, Eleusis amphora, c. 650 BCE
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Plan and architectural sculpture, temple, Prinias, c. 625–600 BCE

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François Vase, Attic black-figure volute krater, by Kleitias and Ergotimos, c. 570 BCE
Attic black-figure amphora by Exekias, Ajax and Achilles playing a game, c. 540–530 BC
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Temple of Aphaia, Aegina, Collapsing Warrior from West pediment
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Artemision Zeus or Poseidon, from sea near Cape Artemision, c. 460-450 BCE
Temple of Zeus (cult statue), Olympia, 5th c
Temple of Zeus, Olympia, west pediment (Apollo, Centaur grappling with Lapith woman), c. 460 BCE
Attic red-figure krater by Niobid painter: Apollo and Artemis killing Niobe’s children, c. 460 BCE
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Painted wall block of the Tomb of the Diver, Poseidonia: the Diver, c. 480

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Parthenon, Athens (plan & view from NW), 447-432 BCE
Parthenon, Athens, east pediment, reclining male figure (Ares?), 437-432
Parthenon, Athens, east pediment, three female figures, 437-432
Parthenon, Athens, metope: Struggle between Lapith and Centaur, 447-438 BCE
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Erechtheion (plan and porch with caryatid), Athens, c. 430s-406 BCE
Temple of Athena Nike, Athens, 420s BCE
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Hephaisteion, Athens, c. 450-415 BCE
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Temple of Apollo, Bassae, frieze block: Greeks fighting Amazons, c. 400-390 BCE
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Seated Boxer, c. 100-50 BCE
Old Market Woman, 3rd century BCE
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Preening doves, perhaps based on original 2nd century BCE
Temple of Apollo, Didyma (photo and perspective view), c. 330 BCE and later
Temple of Olympian Zeus, Athens, 2nd century BCE – 2nd century CE
ArtH 424: The Art of the Romans  
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Course Description

This course examines artistic developments in the Roman world, beginning with the Republic, continuing with the establishment and expansion of the empire, and ending with the rise of Christianity. It will investigate stylistic developments while considering the historical and cultural context within which the works were created. Additional topics of discussion include: Archaeological Techniques, The Illegal Art Market, and The Problem of Forgeries.

Course Modality and General Expectations

This is an entirely online course. This course will be delivered entirely online through the learning management system, Canvas. You will use your SSU username and password to log in to the Canvas course.

In Canvas, you will access weekly live lectures via Zoom web-conferencing (Mondays, 1-4:40), course materials, resources and assignments. The midterm exam will be Oct. 12 and the final exam will be Dec. 7. Due dates for other assignments will be posted below and in the weekly modules. All student work is submitted/posted online in Canvas.

Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to (1) identify selected Roman works of art in terms of style, date and iconography, (2) write essays regarding the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical, religious and cultural context, (3) analyze and critique scholarly articles, and (4) research and write a paper related to art production during the Roman era.

Required Text

Available at: SSU Bookstore, North Lights Books and on reserve at the library.
All additional readings for the course are on reserve at the library and available through Moodle, unless otherwise noted. PLEASE DO READINGS BEFORE CLASS.
Course Requirements

Weekly Modules

Each week we will meet at 1 pm on Mondays for a combination of lecture and discussion. Also, each week you will have to complete a module. Each module includes assigned readings, posted lectures (which you should watch and take notes on), and other materials such as lists of vocabulary and works of art, and assignments.

Attendance

This class is designed to be synchronous, meaning we will meet in real time every Monday. So, it is important that you attend. I will post supplemental lectures but will not be repeating what we cover when meeting in person. It important that you attend the first class and complete the first discussion assignment by the due date so that I know you are participating in the class. Students who do not attend the first class and/or complete Discussion 1 may be dropped from the class. If you are unable to complete the assignment on time, but do intend to participate in the class, please contact me by Aug. 28.

Readings

It is helpful if you complete the readings before class. Below is a schedule of lecture topics and readings which will serve as an outline for the course. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made.

Exams

There will be two exams (Oct. 12 and Dec. 7) during the semester. The exams will consist of short answers, unknown images, and essay questions.

Short Writing Assignments

Several of the readings require short writing responses. These assignments will be posted at least one week before they are due so that you have time to complete the readings and analyze them. The kinds of questions you will be asked to consider are: What is the thesis statement? How does the author support their argument? All assignments must be posted in the Canvas page.

Paper

Each student is required to write an 8-10 page paper on a well-researched topic of their choice. More information will be posted in Canvas at a later date.

Discussions

Discussion assignments ask you to respond to a question, a work of art, or some other issue relating to the class. Often discussions will include both an Initial Post and a
Response Post, and there will be 2 different due dates. When a discussion assignment includes an Initial and Response post, both posts must be completed by their respective due dates to receive full credit.

**Grading Policy**

There will be a midterm (20%), final (20% each), a research paper (25%), several short writing assignments (20%), discussions (10%) and class attendance (5%).

Late assignments are accepted but will automatically lose 5% of points per day late.

**University Policies**

**Academic integrity**

Students should know that the University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available at [http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm](http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm). Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at Sonoma State University and the University’s policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work.

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified.

**Campus Policy on Disability Access for Students**

If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require accommodations, please register with the campus office of Disability Services for Students (DSS), located in Salazar Hall - Room 1049, Phone: (707) 664-2677, TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958. DSS will provide you with written confirmation of your verified disability and authorize recommended accommodations. This authorization must be presented to the instructor before any accommodations can be made. The policy can be found at [http://www.sonoma.edu/uaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm](http://www.sonoma.edu/uaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm)

**Dropping and Adding**

Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drops, academic renewal, etc. Information on add/drops are available at [http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/registration/addclasses.shtml](http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/registration/addclasses.shtml). Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for adding and dropping classes.

**SSU Writing Center**

The SSU Writing Center is located in Schulz 1103. The Writing Center helps SSU students, faculty, and staff members (as well as members of the wider community)
become better writers and produce better written documents. The Writing Center website is located at http://www.sonoma.edu/programs/writingcenter/default.html.

**Make sure to bring the paper guidelines when you visit the Writing Center**

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**Course Schedule (Subject to change)**

Additional readings may be assigned and will be announced in class.

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         **Reading:** Ramages, Introduction and Ch. 1  
         **Discussion** Due Aug. 27 |
| 2    | Aug. 31| **Lecture:** Romans in the Time of the Republic  
         **Reading:** Ramages, Ch. 2  
         **Quiz:** Getting Started |
| 3    | Sept. 7| NO CLASS – Labor Day |
| 4    | Sept. 14| **Lecture:** Early Roman Empire: Augustus  
         **Reading:** Ramages, Ch. 3, and excerpts from **The Achievements of the Divine Augustus** (only available on Moodle)**  
         **Writing Assignment Due** |
| 5    | Sept. 21| **Lecture:** Early Empire: The Julio-Claudians  
         **Reading:** Ramages, Ch. 4 and **“Museum Acquisitions: Responsibilities in the Illicit Traffic of Antiquities” by Colin Renfrew in Archaeology, Cultural Heritage, and the Antiquities Trade, U of Florida Press, 2006 and “Getty’s List of Doubts Multiplies” LA Times, June 18, 2006  
         **Writing Assignment Due** |
| 6    | Sept 28| **Lecture:** Early Empire: The Flavians  
         **Reading:** Ramages, Ch. 5 (p. 168 – 189) and “Arena Events” in *As the Romans Did*  
         **Discussion:** Looting and Antiquities |
| 7    | Oct. 5 | **Paper Topic**  
         **Lecture:** Polychromy in Roman Sculpture  
         **Discussion assignment** |
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**Instructions for the Research Paper**

**Paper:** A well-written and well-researched paper of 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins) is due on Nov. 30. At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted and cited. The course text does NOT count as one of the six sources.

**Useful Resources available through SSU’s library:**
Oxford Art Online (formerly Grove Art – also available in paper format), JSTOR, and Art Index – Great place to start your research. Great scholarly articles found here!
ArtStor – Excellent source of images and basic information

Other Websites:
**Glossary of Medieval Art and Architecture** A good source of architectural terms. [http://www.pitt.edu/~medart/menuglossary/INDEX.HTM](http://www.pitt.edu/~medart/menuglossary/INDEX.HTM)

**The PERSEUS Project** – an impressive online cultural resource. It has searchable classical encyclopedias, atlases, collections of ancient texts, art and architecture. [http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/](http://www.perseus.tufts.edu/)

**Paper Guidelines:**
Your paper should include
1. 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (Not including bibliography, images, or title page)
2. 12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins on top, bottom, left and right
3. An introduction
4. A thesis statement explaining the purpose of the paper or what you will argue
5. Supporting arguments
6. A conclusion – draw conclusions about your topic!
7. Although this paper is on the topic about which you will present, it should NOT be merely a written version of your presentation.
8. Labeled images (this should be at the end of the paper)
9. A bibliography – Check this online guide for correct format for *most* sources: [http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html](http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html). At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted. The course text does NOT count as one of the six sources. (Note: The Internet may be useful but the information you find there is frequently NOT reliable. If you do use information from the internet, you must include the site. However, internet sources **do not** count towards your book/journal article requirements. Also: WIKIPEDIA is NOT a reliable source.)
10. You must cite your sources, both in the body of the paper (footnotes or parenthetical citations), when relevant, in addition to your bibliography. See link above in #9 for correct format.

Please note that academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Plagiarism, cheating, and collusion will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. If you are uncertain what constitutes plagiarism, please see me.

**General Grading Guidelines for Paper:**
A  Excellent work, creative and unique, absence of writing problems
B  Exceeds expectations, thoughtful approach, well written, few typos
C  Meets all requirements, some basic writing problems
D  Falls short of requirements, poor proofreading, mechanical problems
F  Poor in every way (effort, ideas, writing)

**Helpful Hints & Writing Tips:**
1. If you are having any difficulty with the assignment, see me during my office hours. There is no excuse for confusion. I am available during my office hours and by appointment.
2. Make sure you are analyzing your object, building or issue – not just listing or describing.
3. Proper nouns and adjectives derived from them are capitalized. Examples include:
Rome, Roman, Christ, Christian.

4. Avoid the use of contractions in your paper. For example, use do not, instead of don’t or cannot instead of can’t. It’s mean it is and since contractions are to be avoided, do not use it. Its is the possessive form of it. Its as a possessive form never never has an apostrophe.

5. Please avoid using the word being in your paper. Find some other way to say this word. For example, being that…is better stated since. In sentences where you are tempted to use being as a verb, use is or some present form of the verb to be in its place. Do not say: He being small… Instead, write Since he is small….

6. Use a dictionary and proofread your work. If you depend on Spellcheck you may have mistakes.


8. MAKE SURE YOUR PAPER HAS BEEN PROOFREAD!!!!!!

Just for Fun

There are several murder-mystery series that are based in ancient Rome. The following are available at the Sonoma County Library:

The SPRQ series by John Maddox Roberts
The Gordianus the Finder series by Steven Saylor
The Marcus Didius Falco series by Lindsey Davis
The Flavia Albia series by Linsey Davis

For film lovers, check out the 1976 BBC miniseries I, Claudius, starring Derek Jacobi as Claudius and Patrick Stewart (Captain Jean-Luc Picard) as Sejanus.

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City of Timgad, Algeria Fig. 6.30-6.31

High Empire – Reign of Hadrian (117-138 CE)
Portrait of Sabina, 117-134 CE Fig. 7.33
Apotheosis of Sabina, 136-138 CE Fig. 7.34
Hadrian’s Villa, Tivoli, 125 CE Figs 7.6-7.7
Temple of Venus and Roma, 135 CE Figs. 7.16-7.17
The Pantheon, 125-128 CE Figs. 7.10, 7.12-7.15
A Boar hunt, roundel, 130-138 CE Fig. 7.37
Library of Celsus, Ephesus, Turkey 135 CE Fig. 7.28
Hadrian’s Wall, 2nd c CE Fig. 7.25
Myth of Orestes Sarcophagus, c mid 2nd c CE Fig. 7.39
Dragging of Hector Sarcophagus, c. 190 CE Fig. 7.40
Labors of Hercules Sarcophagus, 210-250 CE Fig. 7.41

High Empire - Antonines (138-193 CE)
Imperial Sculpture
Portrait of Antoninus Pius, 140-150 CE Fig. 8.3
Marcus Aurelius on Horseback, 164-66 CE Fig. 8.17
Portrait of Lucius Verus, C. 160 CE Fig. 8.11
Marcus Aurelius and Lucius Verus rule as co-rulers
Bust of Commodus as Hercules, c. 190 CE Fig. 8.35
Column Base of Antoninus Pius, c. 161 CE Figs. 8.18-8.20
Column of Marcus Aurelius, 180-192 Figs. 8.22-8.26
Sarcophagi
Strigillated Sarcophagi (no illustrations in text)
Sarcophagus of a Greek Physician
Garland Sarcophagi
Garland Sarcophagus, mid 2nd c CE Fig. 8.34
Mythological Sarcophagi
Indian Triumph of Bacchus, c. 180 CE Fig. 8.30
Battle Sarcophagi
Battle between Romans and Gauls, 160-170 CE Fig. 8.28
Asiatic Sarcophagi
Asiatic Sacrophagus from near Melfi, c. 175 CE Fig. 8.32
Painted portrait of a young man, from Fayum, Egypt, 160-170 CE Fig. 8.1

Late Empire - The Severans (193-235 CE)
Portait of Septimius Severus, Julia Domna, Caracalla, Geta, c. 199 CE Fig. 9.6
Arch of Septimius Severus, Roman Forum, Rome, 203 CE Fig. 9.8
Triumphal Arch and relief details, Lepcis Magna, 203-204 CE Fig. 9.13, 9.15-9.16
Temple of Venus, Baalbek, Lebanon, c. 225 CE Fig. 9.27
Portrait of Caracalla, 3rd c CE Fig. 9.33
Baths of Caracalla, Rome, c. 211-217 CE Fig. 9.34-9.35

Late Empire - Soldier Emperors (235 – 284 CE)
Portrait of Maximinus Thrax, 235 CE Fig. 10.3
Portrait of Phillip the Arab, 244-249 CE Fig. 10.6
Full-length portrait of Trebonius Gallus, 251-253 CE Fig. 10.8
Portrait of Gallienus, 253-268 CE Fig. 10.12
Female Portrait, c. 200-250 CE Fig. 10.11
Aurelian Wall and Appian Gate, 271-275 CE Fig. 10.16
Ludovisi Sarcophagus, 250 CE Fig. 10.17

Late Empire - Tetrarchs (284-312 CE)
Tetrarchs, c. 305 CE Fig. 11.22
Baths of Diocletian, 298-306 CE Figs. 11.7-11.9
Palace of Diocletian, Split, c. 300 CE Figs. 11.3-11.5
Mosaics, Piazza Armerina, Sicily, early 4th c CE Figs. 11.18, 11.19, 11.21

Late Empire - Constantine (307-337 CE) and Aftermath
Colossal state of Constantine, 313 CE Fig. 12.1, 12.12
Basilica of Maxentius and Constantine, Rome, c. 306-313 CE Figs. 11.10-11.12
Basilica at Trier, c. 310 CE Figs. 12.18-12.20
Arch of Constantine, Rome, 312-315 CE Figs. 12.3, 12.6, 12.8
Donatio, Oratio, Hadrianic Roundels, spolia
Obelisk of Theodosius, Istanbul, c. 390-393 CE Fig. 12.10
Old St. Peter’s, 320-330 CE Fig. 12.16, 12.17
Santa Costanza, Rome, mid 4th c CE Fig. 12.21
Sarcophagus of Constantia, c. 350 CE Fig. 12.26
Sarcophagus of Junius Bassus, c. 359 CE Fig. 12.28
Thetford Treasure and Mildenhall Collection, c. mid 4th c CE Figs. 12.30-12.31
“Learn everything; you will see afterwards that nothing is superfluous.”
– Hugh of St. Victor (d. 1141)

Description
This course tackles critical issues in art history post the medieval millennium and our own. We consider epistemological and social categories both at their historical moment and from our own contemporary vantage point. Rather than a stylistic assessment of the Gothic, this course assesses art production throughout late medieval Europe and its global connections more broadly. Topics include Gothic churches and chapels, the amorphous boundaries of race and social classification, materiality, gender, sexuality. We are primarily concerned with how images communicate information and how viewers interact with images to produce meaning. Our two joint pedagogical goals are to learn about art and visual culture post 1000 C.E.

Our Fall 2019 class will examine critically how medieval history has been employed in white supremacist arguments.

Assignments
Participation 15%
Individual Presentation 15% 11/04
Choose presentation topic 10/14
In-Class Assignments (6) 25%
Final 10% 12/09 2:00 – 3:50pm

Group Project
Exhibit Room Proposal 5% 09/30
Object Wall Plaques (2) 15% 12/02
Group Project Presentation 15% 12/02

Course Goals
• Synthesizing information to produce new ideas
• Organized and clear oral communication to different audiences
• Collaboration and working with others on projects
• Succinct, clear, and informative writing for different audiences
• Learning conceptual goals and strategies of research, early information organization

Requirements
** Please bring your laptop to class. **

Please print the reading before coming to class.

Alertness is key. Discussion will be incorporated into our weekly meetings so that you will have a chance to build knowledge collaboratively. Additional readings are available on Canvas. Please print out readings and scribble your thoughts on paper prior to class.

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** Please turn in your work (stapled) in class. **

Guide to Chicago style: https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/717/01/

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can begin with something as unformed as “I don’t know where to begin.”

Mary.Wegmann@sonoma.edu.

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• If you require classroom accommodations, please contact Disability Services http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/ and let me know so we can work together.
• The SSU Writing Center is located at Schulz 1103. You can make appointments for individual tutoring covering punctuation, citation formats, and even form a writing group. http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/
• You may call me Dr. Ch’ien or Prof. Ch’ien and my pronouns are she/hers. If I make a mistake with your pronouns or name pronunciation, please let me know.
• If you experience sexual assault, sexual harassment, or discrimination, it is not your fault. Sonoma State has a Title IX office https://web.sonoma.edu/hr/titleix/ with links for confidential support, reporting a crime, and a rape crisis hotline (707-545-7273)
• Hungry? Lobo’s Pantry provides food in Zinfandel across from the Student Health Center. Hours can be found here: https://web.sonoma.edu/studentaffairs/cocurriculum.html
• If you experience a gap in childcare that could prevent you coming to class, please feel free to bring your child. Parenting students may sit near the door in case they need to exit; non-parenting students can leave those seats free for their classmates.
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Class Schedule  subject to change
08/26  Introduction: What? Why?
• Marianne O’Doherty, “Where Were the Middle Ages?” on The Public Medievalist https://www.publicmedievalist.com/where-middle-ages/

09/02  LABOR DAY
No class today

09/09  A Church, The Church / Issues Studying the Middle Ages
**Meet in Library Computer Lab Schultz 2016A 2:00pm**
09/16 Sainte Chapelle
Discussion: Identify themes in Cohen’s work and apply them to the Sainte-Chapelle
Activity: Researching Churches (1-2 paragraph description plus 5 research questions)

09/23 Relics
Activity: Choose a reliquary we did not look at in lecture from one of the websites listed below. Group it with three to four other objects (reliquaries or non-reliquaries) and explain how they contextualize each other.
https://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/relc/hd_relc.htm
http://www.learn.columbia.edu/treasuresofheaven/
The Cleveland Museum of Art (www.clevelandart.org) also has a number of reliquaries in its collection.

09/30 Representations of Women / Exhibition Design
Activity: Group Project Exhibition Design and Formation of Groups

10/07 Ivory: from Global Trade to Medium, Material and Message
Activity: Curating Objects
**Due: Group Project Exhibit Room Proposal**

10/14 Materiality
Activity: Present an object materially rather than iconographically
3-5 minute presentation
**Due: Individual Presentation Topic**

- Holy Thorn Reliquary of the Duc de Berry before 1347. British Museum, London. [https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/asset/holy-thorn-reliquary-of-jean-duc-de-berry/8gGmH50pBT51vQ](https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/asset/holy-thorn-reliquary-of-jean-duc-de-berry/8gGmH50pBT51vQ)
- Simone Martini, *Annunciation Altarpiece*, 1333. Uffizi Gallery, Florence. [https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/asset/annunciation/IgHn22QncTFgPA](https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/beta/asset/annunciation/IgHn22QncTFgPA)

10/21 Books


Useful info on Books of Hours: [https://www.bpl.org/blogs/post/medieval-books-hours-bpl/](https://www.bpl.org/blogs/post/medieval-books-hours-bpl/)

Activity: *Go through a book as a complete object. Introduce the book to the class, explain how yours works, and how it participates in its genre.*

- Arnstein Bible, two volumes, c. 1172 [http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Harley_MS_2798&index=0](http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Harley_MS_2798&index=0) [http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Harley_MS_2799&index=1](http://www.bl.uk/manuscripts/FullDisplay.aspx?ref=Harley_MS_2799&index=1)
10/28  Race, Racism, the Monstrous
Reading: • James Hill, “Were Medieval People Racist? IV: Race, Religion, and Travel”,
12/14/2017 https://www.publicmedievalist.com/issues-religions/
• Amy S. Kaufman, “Miraculous Bleach and Giant Feet: Were Medieval People Racist? II.
• Nirit Ben-Aryeh Debby, “St. Clare Expelling the Saracens from Assisi: Religious

http://www.jstor.org.sonoma.idm.oclc.org/stable/24245545

Activity: 1) Analysis of Guido da Siena, Saint Clare Diptych
Resource: http://www.culturaitalia.it/
2) Present an illumination from Li Livres du Graunt Caam. C. 1400. Bodleion
Library, Oxford University. Images available on ARTSTOR.

11/04  Queer
**Due Activity: 5-10min Individual Presentation *prepared in advance*
Present a contemporary use of medieval history, a “medievalism,” or modern interpretation
of the Middle Ages. Consider historical accuracy and interpretive choices.

Potential Topics: Game of Thrones, Star Wars, KKK, Renaissance Faires, medieval video
games, “Deus Vult,” torture photographs from Abu Ghraib, etc.
11/11  VETERANS DAY
   No Class Today

11/18 St. Francis: The Making of a Saint
Reading: Bennett, Jill. “Stigmata and Sense Memory: St. Francis and the Affective Image.”
Activity: Group Projects


12/02  **Group Presentations**

12/09  **Final Exam**  2:00 – 3:50pm

Useful Resources
Mary Wegmann, Arts and Humanities Librarian
mary.wegmann@sonoma.edu
707-664-3983

SSU Art History Library Guide
http://libguides.sonoma.edu/az.php?s=41803

Oxford Art Online – useful for definitions, artist biographies, medium information, etc.
www.oxfordartonline.com

Getty Vocabularies (free) – sometimes artists, artworks, and places are known by multiple names. Luckily the Getty’s got you covered with The Union List of Artist Names, the Thesaurus of Geographic Names, and Cultural Objects Name Authority. Need a quick definition of an architectural term or style? Use the Art & Architecture Thesaurus.
http://www.getty.edu/research/tools/vocabularies/

Writing Center, Schultz 1103
http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/

Public Medievalist – articles on the Middle Ages and contemporary issues
http://publicmedievalist.com

Medieval POC – People of Color in European Art History
http://medievalpoc.tumblr.com

Extra Credit –
Each assignment is worth up to 5 points on the final exam and will be graded on quality. You may do as many or as few as you wish. All papers for any of these options must have a thesis statement.

1) Read Michael Camille, *Gothic Art: Glorious Visions*. Prentice Hall, Inc. 1996 Reprint 2003, which is available at the library. Write a two-page paper summarizing the book and explaining how having read it will inform your studies of medieval art.

2) Go to the Legion of Honor Museum in San Francisco (student admission is $6 not including special exhibits), choose an object dating between 1000-1400CE from their strong medieval collection. Write a two-page visual analysis paper of that object. While you are free to read the wall plaque accompanying the object, do not repeat its analysis! (And please, take it with a grain of salt. The curator may be aiming their prose towards a difference audience.)

https://legionofhonor.famsf.org

3) Attend any performance at the Green Music Center on campus (student tickets usually 50% off!). Write a two-page paper analyzing the performance and how it has changed, reinforced, or otherwise illuminated another subject for you.

https://gmc.sonoma.edu

4) Read a peer-reviewed scholarly article on a medieval subject of your choosing and write a two-page summary and analysis of the article’s content and argument.
ARTH 442 - Ch’ien
Spring 2021

ARTH 442 The Self-Conscious Italian Renaissance
Dr. Letha Ch’ien
Wednesday 1:00 – 4:40pm
Office Hours: 11:00 – 12:00 Monday and Tuesday, also by appointment
Email: chienl@sonoma.edu


Description
This course is not chronological. To understand the gripping issues and preoccupations of later Italian Renaissance art, we explore the time and space of the sixteenth-century Italian peninsula through contemporary topics: gender, race, politics, sacred space, social organization, and the beginning of an art history. Major artistic figures covered include Leonardo da Vinci, Michelangelo, Raphael, and Titian. We will particularly investigate competing agendas at specific sites and how they form rhetorical arguments. Because the Italian Renaissance has held a special position in the formation of art history, we will interrogate periodization continuously.

This course has been designated as a WIC (Writing Intensive Curriculum) course for Fall 2020. This means the course is designed to help you develop writing abilities at an advanced level. You will write a lot, but fear not! You will receive substantive and direct instruction during the writing process. Through using writing to generate and think through ideas, writing and revising drafts, giving and receiving feedback on your writing, editing, and revising yet again, you will develop as a writer who can address a variety of contexts and discover how writing is an integral part of learning course content.

You will work together in a Writing Group through the semester giving and receiving feedback through the conceptualization and revision processes.

This course satisfies the university writing requirement (GWAR). Students of at least junior standing must pass with a C- or better to qualify for the WEPT equivalency. “Cr” in a Cr/Nc option is an approved course grade as well. As a WIC, ARTH 490 can serve as a “WEPT equivalent.” This means that, if passed with a C- or better, the course will exempt you from the need to take the WEPT.

Should we experience a major disruption during the semester, due dates and other requirements will be adjusted. I will communicate with you via email.

Course Goals
• Explore and analyze different approaches and methodologies used to study visual culture
• Develop writing skills including editing, revision, and critique
• Hone research and argument skills to produce an original substantial piece of writing
• Identify and situate major monuments within their cultural contexts
• Describe political, devotional, social, and other functions of artwork
• Discuss thoughtfully what it means to call this period ‘Early Modern,’ ‘Renaissance’
• Critically analyze issues relevant to sixteenth-century Italian art production
• Communicate your observations and analyses of art in lucid writing

Technology Requirements
• internet access with voice & video for Zoom
• a computer or laptop (a tablet or phone alone isn’t going to work)
• highly recommended: an ethernet cable which provides faster internet than wifi

Course Requirements
Participation 10%
Ekphrasis Exercise - 2pg 05% 02/08
Paper Topic & Bibliography Proposal - 1 pg. 10% 02/24
Paper Proposal Response - 1pg. 05% 03/01
Annotated Bibliography - 2-4pg. 10% 03/10
Outline Proposal 1-2pg. 05% 03/17
Paper Draft - 6-7 pg. 15% 04/14
Draft Response - 2pg. 10% 04/21
Paper Revision - 6-7 pg. 20% 05/05
Final Exam 15% 05/19 1:00 - 3:00

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Extra Credit: There is ample extra credit available in this course. You may read any of the recommended readings outside the Campbell & Cole textbook and write a 1-2 page response for up to 1% of extra credit. Additional extra credit opportunities will be announced through the semester.

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*Extensions must be requested in advance of the due date.*
Community
This class is a type of community. We will be learning and working together over the course of the semester. It is important that we develop healthy collaboration skills to facilitate this. Please contribute to your group in the spirit of collaboration. Keep in mind that everybody is human and probably dealing with a lot right now. Let’s approach each other with patience.

I ask that we be respectful of each other and the diverse perspectives of all class members. Please use inclusive language in group work, on discussion boards, and in submitted work in order to facilitate a healthy productive learning environment for everybody. If you experience discrimination or an MIA group member, please let me know so we can address the problem.

Please do not take screenshots of people without their consent.

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Add/Drop policy information is available at http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/geninfo/drop-refunds

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• Counseling and Psychological Services (707-664-2153) http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr/
• If you need accommodations, please contact Disability Services http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/ and let me know so we can work together. (707-664-2677. TTY/TDD: 707-664-2958.
• The SSU Writing Center offers writing help of all types. You can make appointments for individual tutoring covering punctuation, citation formats, and even form a writing group. http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/
• You may call me Dr. Ch’ien or Prof. Ch’ien and my pronouns are she/hers. If I make a mistake with your pronouns or name pronunciation, please let me know.
• If you experience sexual assault, sexual harassment, or discrimination, it is not your fault. Sonoma State has a Title IX office https://web.sonoma.edu/hr/titleix/ with links for confidential support, reporting a crime, and a rape crisis hotline (707-545-7273)
• If you need to attend to childcare during class, please let me know so we can work on accommodation.
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Class Schedule - subject to change

Week One - 01/27
Lecture 01: A Renaissance Toolkit
Consider: Do our contemporary distinctions between private and public, sacred and secular make sense in a sixteenth-century context? How do people understand and situate themselves when the very boundaries of the known world move? Consider: Why do we call this period “high Renaissance”?
Reading: Campbell/Cole: 10-15; 90-92

Week Two 02/03
Lecture 02: The Politics of Interior Space: Leonardo & Michelangelo in competition at the Palazzo Vecchio
Reading: • Michael Baxandall, Painting and Experience in Renaissance Italy, 1-50. • Giorgio Vasari, Preface to section three, Lives of the Artists
Recommended Reading: Gerald MacLean, Re-Orienting the Renaissance Cultural Exchanges with the East Introduction. 1-28
Exercise: Ekphrasis (Description) with a partner

Week Three 02/10
Lecture 03: The Politics of Public Space at Piazza San Marco
** Ekphrasis Exercise Due **
3:00pm Arts Librarian, Mary Wegmann

Week Four 02/17
Interior Space for Restricted Groups: Confraternity Narrative Painting in Venice
Recommended Reading: • Patricia Fortini Brown “Honor and Necessity: The Dynamics of Patronage in Renaissance Venice” Studi Veneziani No. XIV (1987) • Ch’ien, Letha, "Polytopos in Venetian Painting"

Week Five 02/24
Lecture 05: Altarpieces I
** Paper Topic & Bibliography Proposal Due **

Week Six - 03/03
Lecture 06: Altarpieces II
* Paper Proposal Response Due *

Week Seven - 03/10
Lecture 07: Michelangelo: The Career, the Myth
Consider: How do we value an artist’s production? How did Michelangelo become the model for a ‘great artist’? What is the purpose of biography as a genre of writing?
Writing: Structuring an Argument
* Annotated Bibliography Due *

** Week Eight 03/17 **
Lecture 08: Reactionary Style: Mannerism
Campbell/Cole: 388-390; 398-401
* Outline Proposal Due *

** SPRING BREAK 03/22 - 03/26 **

** Week Nine - 03/31 **
** CESAR CHAVEZ DAY **

** Week 10 - 04/07 **
Lecture 09: Private Study Spaces: the Raphael Rooms at the Vatican & the Camerini d’Alabastro

** Week 11 - 04/14 **
Lecture 10: Portraiture and Gender - Men
** Paper Draft Due **

** Week 12 - 04/21 **
Lecture 11: Portraiture and Gender - Women
Writing: Now What? The Revision Process
* Draft Responses Due *

** Week 13 - 04/28 **
Lecture 12: Each Other and the Other
Writing: Continuing the Revision Process

** Week 14 - 05/05 **
Lecture 13: The Collectible, the Erotic, and Desire
Writing: Pushing Through to the End, How Do You Know You're Done?
** Paper Revision Due **

** Week 15 - 05/12 **
Lecture 14: Paint, Materiality, and the Artist’s Hand
Campbell/Cole: 564-565

05/19 Final: Wednesday 1:00 - 3:00pm
The baroque is a thorn in the flesh of European art and thought, the grit in the oyster of art history.” – Helen Hills

Course Description
The word “Baroque” has obscure etymological origins and may derive from ‘barocco,’ the Spanish for a misshapen pearl but the word has come to mean far more than that, becoming a term covering a wide geographic range and a bewildering diversity of artistic production. In this course, we will delve into the diversity, the contradiction, and excitement of art production in seventeenth-century Southern Europe, Northern Europe, and Latin America. In the confusion of class distinctions in an increasingly mobile world, the construction of difference in and through representations will grow increasingly more meaningful, especially concerning the category of race. We will consider how the work of art becomes a movable commodity sold in a market to a growing group of art purchasers. Once art can no longer rely on remaining in situ, the objects must employ strategies to fix meaning while incorporating changeability and adaptability in the object itself. We investigate those strategies.

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Requirements
Participation 15%
Attendance
Reading Discussion
Paper Workshops
Short Assignments 20%
Visual Genre Analysis (1pg.) 02/10
Jeremy Denk, Bach’s Well-Tempered Clavier (1pg.) 02/17 2/13 7:30pm Weill Hall

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**SSU Writing Center** 1103 Schultz
The SSU Writing Center is available to provide tutoring support as you work on the writing for this course. The Center is open during regular business hours each weekday. To work with a tutor, you can make an appointment by calling the Center at 664-4401. Learning to work with others on writing projects is an invaluable professional skill. Take advantage of this free resource.

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Class Schedule - subject to change

01/27: **Lecture 1: In the Wake of the Renaissance**

Reading: • Sutherland Harris pp. xii-xxiii; 3-33. • Selections from the Council of Trent 1563 and Veronese's Trial Before the Holy Tribunal pp. 62-70. (Holt Documentary History of Art)

02/03: **Visual Genre Analysis Essay** - **No meeting in class today**

Explore artworks in any medium (painting, sculpture, architecture, drawing, print) made between 1590 - 1700 on ArtStor (available through the library). Choose five that "belong" together in a genre. Explain how you assessed the genre. What are the characteristics of the genre?

02/10: **Lecture 2: To Destroy Painting? Istoria in a New Age** **Class Starts at 3pm today**

Reading: • Life of Caravaggio from Giovanni Pietro Bellori’s *Lives of the Artists* on Carracci and Caravaggio (Engass & Brown) • Selection from Todd Olson, *Pitiful Relics*, 2014. • Sutherland Harris pp. 44-49

**Visual Genre Writing Assignment Due**

02/13 7:30pm Weill Hall Jeremy Denk, Bach’s Well-Tempered Clavier (1pg.)

02/17: **Lecture 3: Artemisia Gentileschi, Painting While Female**


Activity: Paper Topic Exploration

**Jeremy Denk, Bach’s Well-Tempered Clavier Assignment Due**

02/24: **Lecture 4: Bernini Pushes Material Limits**


03/02: **Lecture 5: Poussin Painting for the Newly Educated Class at Home and Abroad**


Activity: Poussin Letter

03/09: **Library Day**

Meet in SCHULTZ 2016A 2:00pm

Activity: Paper Bibliographies

*Please bring a laptop to class if you have access to your own. You can also borrow one at the library.*

Activity: Workshop Paper Bibliographies & Ideas

**Poussin Letter due**
** Paper Topic & Preliminary Bibliography Due 3/13 on Canvas **

03/15 SPRING BREAK

03/23: Lecture 6: Bodegone Paintings in Spain  
Reading: • Sutherland Harris pp. 199-208; 224-226  
Activity: Low-Life Painting Writing

03/30 Lecture 7: Painting Difference: Velazquez both at Court and Abroad  
Reading: • Sutherland Harris pp. 227-240  
Activity: How to Turn go from on Research → Paper
** Annotated Bibliography Due **
** Low-Life Painting Assignment Due **

04/06: Lecture 8: Picturing Difference in Latin America  

04/13: Lecture 9: The Virgin of Guadalupe  
Activity: Paper Workshop: Outlines & Drafts  
** Drafts Due**
*Read your assigned papers before class on Monday.*

4/16 Annabelle Lopez Ochoa Talk 4:30pm Darwin 103

04/20: Lecture 10: Genre Paintings, Markets, Models, and Mayhem  
Reading: • Sutherland Harris pp. 368-379  
• Elizabeth Honig, "Making Sense of Things" RES 34 (1998), 167-183  
• Alpers, “Picturing Dutch Culture.” Looking at Seventeenth-Century Dutch Art: Realism Reconsidered. Cambridge University, 1997, p. 57-67
Recommended: • Roland Barthes, "The World as Object" Critical Essays (Evanston 1972)
** Annabelle Lopez Ochoa Essay Due **

04/27: Lecture 11: The Politics of Private Homes: Cleanliness, Civic Identity, Gender
Reading: • Sutherland Harris pp. 388-391 • Simon Schama, "Cleanliness & Godliness" in The Embarrassment of Riches (New York 1987), 375-383

05/04: Lecture 12: Vermeer and the Limits of Technical Explanation

** Papers Due **

FINAL: **Monday, May 11 2:00 - 3:50pm**

William Blake

"I must Create a System or be enslav'd by another Man's/I will not Reason and Compare: my business is to Create."
--William Blake, *Jerusalem*, 10.20; E153

"One Law for the Lion & Ox is Oppression"
--William Blake, *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*, 24; E44

"To see a World in a grain of sand, /And a Heaven in a wild flower,/Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand,/And Eternity in an hour." *Auguries Of Innocense*.1; E490

“If the doors of perception were cleansed every thing would appear to man as it is, Infinite. For man has closed himself up, till he sees all things thro' narrow chinks of his cavern.”
— William Blake, *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*

"And we are put on earth a little space,/ That we may learn to bear the beams of love;"
--William Blake, *Songs of Innocence*, “Little Black Boy”14; E9

One of the most imaginative and profound thinkers of all time, William Blake combined images and texts to conjure new possibilities and new worlds. Blake was a nonconformist who associated with radical thinkers such as Thomas Paine and Mary Wollstonecraft (the 18th C feminist). He was opposed to oppressions of all kinds--oppression of women, of sexuality, by religion, in politics, etc. His works ask readers/viewers to think for themselves. The poetry and prints he made express his views obliquely through a pantheon of characters he created and through poetical and visual juxtapositions. Thus, his writings and images are multivalent and resonate today in ways that many other writings or images of the 18th C do not. This class will explore Blake's work, attempting to understand how it might have connected to the issues of Blake's own day, as well as how it might be relevant to our contemporary concerns. Students will be required to read Blake's texts closely and carefully. Demonstration of this engagement with the texts will take several forms: class discussion, in class presentations, written summaries/questions. Final projects may have both creative and scholarly components.
Required Texts:

William Blake, *Complete Illuminated Books* PLEASE BRING THIS BOOK TO CLASS EACH WEEK!!!
William Blake, *Complete Poetry and Prose of William Blake*, ed David Erdman (also available in electronic form for free--see link below)
The Blake Dictionary
*The Cambridge Companion to William Blake*

Course Requirements:

10% Attendance--Please attend all class meetings. In addition to counting as 10% of your overall grade, a strict attendance policy will be adhered to. 2 unexcused absences—final grade docked .5 grade (ie A to A-, etc) 3 unexcused absences final grade docked 1 grade (ie A to B) etc.

10% Class Participation--This is an important component of the class. I will keep track of participation each week. Participation must demonstrate engagement with the week's topic.

Discussion Leadership: Please come to class prepared to lead a discussion on the weekly topic using your reading response as a resource. Students will be called upon at random to lead the discussion each week. Each student will have one chance to "opt out" without damaging her/his grade.

5% Blake Glossary--each week you will be required to add a new term to the glossary or comment/expand upon a term already posted. (c/nc)

150 Words Minimum: Each week choose a figure, concept, type of imagery, character, word, etc from the readings and post something about it: a question, a definition, a resonance with other concepts in Blake, an issue raised etc. You may also comment on, expand on, add to, discuss etc a term already posted. You are encouraged to be creative--you can post images, quotes, video clips, sounds, etc but make sure they are thoughtful and relevant to class. Be sure to use citations for all sources including locations in Blake's works.

15% Weekly Reading Responses/Homework—
500 Words (1 page s.s.) Minimum: Must be submitted to "Turnitin" via this Canvas page. Please bring copies to class each week to help you with the discussion. (graded, light comments)

15% Final Project Presentation and written reflection (500words) on at least two of your peers’ presentations (letter grade, oral and written feedback on presentation)

40% Final Project--You will have a choice of formats:

a. A creative project making use of and addressing the work of William Blake combined with a written paper 5-7 pages in length which describes and
analyzes the interrelationship between Blake’s work and the creative project. This project may be creative writing, visual art, digital media. Please note: Creative projects will be graded for quality of execution. Your final grade will combine the creative project and the written analysis. So think carefully about what kind of creative project you choose—do you have the skill to carry it out? If not, stick to the research paper. Written analysis of your creative project must use at least three scholarly sources of which at least two are not assigned reading for class.

b. A research paper analyzing a Blake topic of your choice 8-10 pages. Possible topics might be: analysis of related poems, analysis of a theme/character/visual form within a single book, connection of a theme in Blake’s work to a social, artistic, philosophical or political debate of the 18th C., etc. Please make sure your topic is adequately narrow to allow for depth in your analysis. Research paper must use at least six scholarly sources of which at least are not assigned reading.

Project will include
a. Proposal Abstract (350 words minimum, letter grade and written comments)
b. Preliminary Annotated Bibliography: at least 8 scholarly sources of which at least four are not assigned reading. This bibliography is meant to be understood in concert with your proposal abstract. For each source summarize the overall argument and then explain how it connects to final project topic. Give page numbers for most important parts of the source. You may include quotations but these will not be counted towards your word count. Each annotation should be at least 100 words in length. (800 words minimum, grade and comments)
c. Project Outline (see assignment below, 1000 words minimum, graded with comments).
d. Rough Draft (1250-2500 words depending on project type, grades and extensive comments)
e. Reflection on my comments on draft: How, specifically, do you plan to improve your paper? What do you see as your strengths and weaknesses? Are there comments that you found extremely helpful? Comments that need more explanation? (500 words)
f. Final Project/Paper

Low Stakes writing
8 Glossary entries: 1200 words
8 Reading responses: 4000 words
In class writing exercises
Reflection on rough draft 500 words
Total: 5,700 plus in class writing exercises of variable length

High Stakes writing with professor feedback
Draft 1250-2500 words depending on project type
This course has been designated as a WIC (Writing Intensive Curriculum) course for Spring Semester 2019. This means that the course is specifically and especially designed to help you develop writing abilities at the advanced level. You will be doing a lot of writing in the class and receiving substantive and direct instruction during your writing process (e.g., using writing to generate and think through ideas, writing and revising drafts, giving and receiving feedback on writing, editing, etc.). Writing assignments will be carefully crafted to support your ability to engage as a writer in a variety of contexts: civic, disciplinary, professional. Writing will also support your learning of the academic class content.

This course serves as a “WEPT equivalent.” This means that, if passed with a C- or better, the course will exempt you from needing to take the WEPT. IMPORTANT NOTE: to receive WEPT / GWAR certification via taking this course, you need to have achieved junior or higher status at the time you registered for the course. The Graduate Written Assessment Requirement (the CSU requirement that most SSU students meet by passing the WEPT) stipulates that writing proficiency must be assessed in the upper division. Students may certainly take and pass various WIC courses prior to upper division, but those courses will not count for GWAR certification.

If you have achieved junior or higher status, and if you pass this course with a grade of C- or better, your GWAR proficiency will be automatically registered via a certification process in the Common Management System a few weeks after the term is completed.

SSU Writing Center

The SSU Writing Center, located in the new Learning and Academic Resource Center in 1103 Schulz, is available to provide tutoring support as you work on the writing for this course. The Center is open during regular business hours each weekday. To work with a tutor, you should definitely make an appointment—call the Center at 664-4401. Students who visit the Center regularly not only turn in stronger papers but also learn how to work well with others on their writing, a skill which will be essential in professional life.

Notice Regarding Possible Use of Your Work in Institutional Assessment

The WIC initiative offers an opportunity for SSU to examine practices of teaching and learning, with the aim solely of improving educational offerings. It is possible that your writing may be collected and examined for these purposes. Your work will never be
used as a means of evaluating you personally, as any student writing that is assessed will be read anonymously. Likewise, your specific course will not be a subject of assessment; rather, these efforts will be aimed at understanding and assessing the WIC initiative as a whole. Thanks for your help in this vital work.
**Class Schedule**

**Week One:**
Lecture: Introduction: Amazing Blake  
Writing: How to come up with a topic? Topic vs Thesis  
In Class written response and sharing

**Week Two:**
Writing Instruction—Visual and literary analysis; in class exercises  
**SONGS OF INNOCENCE AND EXPERIENCE**  
Reading:  
William Blake, *Songs of Innocence and Experience*  
Morris Eaves, “Introduction: to paradise the hard way,” in *Cambridge Companion to William Blake*  
Donald A. Dike, "The Difficult Innocence" (optional)  
Homework due in the beginning of class today:  
1. Blake Archive work--one page summary: a)Choose a page from one of the Prophetic Books and look at at least three different versions of it. What differences do you see between them? Give examples. b)Find a quotation from the text of that page which particularly grabs you, surprises you or confuses you. What made you choose this quote? Analyze the text and give examples. c)look up a word or phrase in the Blake Dictionary and write about how the definition you found changes your understanding of the page you are analyzing d)Find a term from the page in the Blake Concordance and pick one other context where the term appears. What does this other use of the term/character/idea tell you about it? Discuss  
2)Reading Response: Pick two poems from the Songs of Innocence and two poems from the Songs of Experience. For each poem write a 1-2 paragraph account of the poems and illuminations (or parts of them) paying special attention to rhetoric, imagery or poetics. Think of your response as a way to begin a conversation with others in the class about the poem. Try to write clearly but no need to be particularly formal.  
3)Glossary entry/comment

**Week Three:**
Writing Instruction-- Argument and Structure  
**THE BOOK OF THEL**  
Class Prep--Reading/Looking:  
- William Blake, *The Book of Thel*  
- Susan Fox, "The Female as Metaphor in William Blake's Poetry"  
- Robert N. Essick, "Blake's Female Will" (optional)

**Homework:**  
1)Turn reading response into TurnItIn link below and bring a hard copy to class. Come prepared to discuss the article and a portion, theme, figure, image etc. from *The Book of Thel* with the class.
2) Glossary Entry

Week 4
Writing Instruction—Writing with specificity
The First Book of Urizen
Reading/Looking:
• William Blake, *The First Book of Urizen*
• W.J.T. Mitchell, "Poetic and Pictorial Imagination in Blake's *Book of Urizen*" (see link below)
• Mike Lyle Barr, "Prophesy, The Law of Insanity and the [First] Book of Urizen" (see link)

Homework: Reading Response, Discussion Prep, Glossary

Week 5
Writing Instruction—Active vs. Passive Sentences
The Marriage of Heaven and Hell

Homework:
Glossary Entry/Discussion Prep/Reading Response
Reading/Looking: Read the *Marriage of Heaven and Hell*
• William Blake, *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*
• Eynel Wardi reading (link below)
• Optional:
  • Morris Eaves reading (see link below)
  • Carol Bigwood reading (see link below)
  • Schock reading (see link below)

Week 6
Writing/Research Instruction: What is a legitimate source?
AMERICA a Prophecy EUROPE a Prophecy

Homework: Reading Response, Discussion Prep, Glossary

Week 7
Visions of the Daughters of Albion

Reading:
• Anne K. Mellor, "Sex, Violence and Slavery"
• William Blake, *Visions of the Daughters of Albion*

Homework: Reading Response, Discussion Prep, Glossary

Week 8
The Gates of Paradise
The Song of Los
Makdisi, "Blake and Romantic Imperialism"

**Homework:** Reading Response, Discussion Prep, Glossary

**Week 9**

**Enlightenment, Romanticism and Revolution**

Reading:
Ibata, "William Blake's Visual Sublime"

**Homework:**
Reading Response, Glossary

Please come to class prepared to discuss your final project topic/format choice with the class. Turn a 1 page abstract of your topic and project in to the turnitin button below.

**FINAL PROJECT TOPIC CHOICE ABSTRACT DUE TODAY!!!**

**Week 10**

**FIELD TRIP TO BLAKE GALLERY SF**

Homework: read Bancroft rules and procedures before attending. See below

**Week 11**

**INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS FOR FINAL PROJECTS**

**FINAL PROJECT OUTLINE DUE TODAY!!!**

**Week 12**

**WILLIAM BLAKE COSTUME PARTY--BLAKE COSTUMES GET EXTRA CREDIT!**

**COSTUME CONTEST, BLAKE GAMES, BRING TREATS!**

Continue working on papers/projects

**Week 13**

**FINAL PRESENTATIONS--**Please sign up on the choice button below asap.

Your presentation should be 10 minutes long. Please bring a PowerPoint which should include:
- Images pertinent to your project/paper from Blake or sketches of your own creative project
- Bullet points raising the theme(s) you will address and the thesis of your project
- Relevant quotes from Blake or secondary sources that will help spur discussion of your topic.

The idea is to present the theoretic armature of your project in a way that allows you to get constructive feedback from your peers.

**YOU ARE NOT EXPECTED TO HAVE YOUR PROJECT FINISHED, HOWEVER STUDENTS WHO PRESENT ON THE LAST DAY ARE EXPECTED TO BE FURTHER ALONG THAN THOSE WHO PRESENT ON THE FIRST DAY.**

**Week 14**
Jennifer Shaw  
ART HISTORY 452: Blake Class Final Project  
WHAT: choose one  
  c. A creative project making use of and addressing the work of William Blake combined with a written paper 5-7 pages in length which describes and analyzes the interrelationship between Blake’s work and the creative project. This project may be creative writing, visual art, digital media. Please note: Creative projects will be graded for quality of execution. Your final grade will combine the creative project and the written analysis. So think carefully about what kind of creative project you choose—do you have the skill to carry it out? If not, stick to the research paper. Written analysis of your creative project must use at least three scholarly sources of which at least two are not assigned reading for class.  
  d. A research paper analyzing a Blake topic of your choice 8-10 pages. Possible topics might be: analysis of related poems, analysis of a theme/character/visual form within a single book, connection of a theme in Blake’s work to a social, artistic, philosophical or political debate of the 18th C., etc. Please make sure your topic is adequately narrow to allow for depth in your analysis. Research paper must use at least six scholarly sources of which at least are not assigned reading.

DETAILED OUTLINE ASSIGNMENT  
Your outline should include  

1. Preliminary Thesis/Description of creative project or sketch sample  
2. Introduction  
   a. What materials will you include in your introduction (will you start with a sample image and raise questions about it? If so what image and what questions  
3. Topics: A sentence describing each section and how it will connect to your thesis  
   a. Subtopics—each subtopic will describe a paragraph/group of paragraphs in this section—how does it support the idea of this section?
i. What materials will you use for this subtopic? –Make sure to give sources and page numbers for each material cited.
   1. Quotations (include them with page numbers)
   2. Factual information?
   3. Arguments made by other historians/critics/art historians? (do you agree or disagree?)

4. A bibliography directly related to your topic. 8 legitimate sources total minimum. You may use sources we have read in class but must find additional sources (optional readings are fair game).
   a. Creative project—3 additional sources minimum
   b. Research paper—5 additional sources minimum
European Art in the Eighteenth Century: Absolutism and Enlightenment
Art History 452 Tuesday 9-11:40

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Course Description
This course deals with major artists, artistic movements, and issues in art theory and criticism in Europe during the period known as the Enlightenment. We will focus particular attention on French and British painting though other aspects of European visual culture such as architecture, sculpture, printmaking and decoration may also be addressed. We will seek to understand the role played by visual culture within the shifting social and political contexts provided by the courtly cultures of the old regime and the Regency in France, as well as the development of Enlightenment thought and the emergence of a public sphere dominated by the middle class in France and England.

Major themes to be traced in lectures, readings and class discussions include: the intersections between gender, class and the social; cultural and sexual politics of style; the emergence of art criticism and the development of the notion of an art for the public. We will examine, among other things: the purposes served by rococo art for an aristocratic audience; the rise of an imagery of domesticity and its relationship to reformist Enlightenment thought; the connection between Neoclassicism and political ideologies of the Enlightenment; the role played by official art institutions in shaping artistic practice. Also to be addressed: issues of spectatorship, eroticism and the nude, Rome, antiquarianism and the Grand Tour. Familiarity with history of this period will not be assumed, but historical readings—including some period fiction—will form part of the course. Other readings will draw from the fields of gender and cultural studies, as well as art history.

Required Texts:
Thomas Crow, Painters and Public Life in Eighteenth-Century Paris
Daniela Tarabra, European Art of the 18th Century
Charles Harrison et. Al, Art in Theory 1648-1815
Articles posted to MOODLE

ALL COURSE DOCUMENTS WILL BE POSTED TO MOODLE
STUDENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO REVIEW IMAGES ON ARTSTOR

Classroom Protocol
- Please turn off cellphones prior to the beginning of class
- Please arrive on time
- Computers should not be used for any activities unrelated to class. Unacceptable computer use by students will result in a computer ban.

Course Requirements:
- Class participation: 10%
- Presentations and short assignments: 15%
- Midterm Exam: 20%
- Final Paper: 35% (6-8 pages): Students will visit the Palace of the Legion of Honor, San Francisco and write a paper relating an 18th C painting in the collection to reading materials and class discussion.
- Final Exam MAY 24 2PM: 20%—slide comparisons, essays about course readings

Please note: Students with average grades of B+ or better on the midterm assignments may write a longer research paper in lieu of the final exam/final paper. Art History majors are strongly encouraged to write the longer paper. Graduate students will be required to write the longer paper.

Grading Policies: Make up exams and late papers will only be allowed with prior written excuse. Papers will be marked down for every day they are late, unless a prior arrangement is made with me. All papers must be submitted both on paper and on-line at Turnitin.com. Plagiarism will result in a failing grade. You must complete all course requirements in order to pass the course.
Readings for Discussion & Oral Presentations: Each week we will discuss the assigned reading in the first hour of class. You will be required to address the discussion reading in the exams and discussion will help prepare you for this. While all students are responsible for each week’s assigned readings, one or two students will be required to introduce the discussion of each of the selected texts. All students are to do this at least twice during the semester. The purpose of the assignment is to encourage critical thinking and to introduce thematic, interdisciplinary topics for open discussion. The presentation must not exceed 15 minutes and must follow the format described below. I encourage you to consult with me for feedback in advance of your presentation.

1) The student presenter will prepare a handout (xeroxing enough copies for the entire class and the professor) which will provide a) a brief overview of the reading’s major ideas (avoid too much detail for the sake of time); b) three or four images that will illustrate three points from the reading. (You may use ARTSTOR to find your images.)

2) The student will orally present the above information to the class and explain the important points with reference to the images within the 15 minute time frame.

3) The student will, at the conclusion of the presentation, pose two questions prepared in advance to stimulate general discussion.

Dropping and Adding
Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drops, academic renewal, etc. Information on add/drops are available at http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/registration/addclasses.shtml. Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for adding and dropping classes.

University Policies

Academic integrity
Students should know that the University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available at http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm. Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at Sonoma State University and the University’s policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work.

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified.

Campus Policy on Disability Access for Students
"If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require accommodations, please register with the campus office of Disability Services for Students (DSS), located in Salazar Hall - Room 1049, Phone: (707) 664-2677, TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958. DSS will provide you with written confirmation of your verified disability and authorize recommended accommodations. This authorization must be presented to the instructor before any accommodations can be made.". The policy can be found at http://www.sonoma.edu/uaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm

Emergency Evacuation
If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require assistance evacuating a building in the event of a disaster, you should inform your instructor about the type of assistance you may require. You and your instructor should discuss your specific needs and the type of precautions that should be made in advance of such an event (i.e. assigning a buddy to guide you down the stairway). We encourage you to take advantage of these preventative measures as soon as possible and contact the Disability Services for Students office if other classroom accommodations are needed.

SSU Writing Center
The SSU Writing Center is located in Schulz 1103. The Writing Center helps SSU students, faculty, and staff members (as well as members of the wider community) become better writers and produce better written documents. The Writing Center website is located at http://www.sonoma.edu/programs/writingcenter/default.html.
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Schedule of Class Meetings

Week 1
Lecture--Introduction: Art and Absolutism
Film Viewing: Ridicule

All student discussion assignment due in class Feb 3:
Using specific examples from the film and readings listed for Feb 3 discussion, write a two page double spaced essay describing what you take to be the most significant aspects of 18th century culture. What does the film suggest are the defining features of the culture depicted? What is the relationship between the film and Rousseau’s ideas in the assigned text? What role do you imagine the arts might play in the culture of the 18th C? Keep in mind that the film and writings are themselves representations of the 18th c with their own biases. What attitudes do these accounts seem to take? (please word process and print, remember to upload to turnitin as well as bringing a copy to class)

Week 2
Discussion: Ridicule as a representation of Eighteenth Century culture and reading
Lecture: Academies and the Grand Manner of Painting
Reading:
• S. Alpers, “Making a Taste for Rubens,” The Making of Rubens, 65-89 (French text from de Piles is assigned in translation below: Alpers, p. 79=ATp.309, paragraph 3; Alpers p.81=Atp.310,para 2)
• Art in Theory: Roger de Piles, “Principles of Painting,” Art in Theory, 308-313; Antoine Coypel, “On the grand manner” and “On the Excellence of Painting”335-342;
Optional Extra Credit: Read Jaqueline Lichtenstein, “Making Up Representation: The Risks of Femininity”, Representations 20 (Autumn 1987), 77-87 and write a one page summary of the most important points.

Week 3
Discussion: Poussinistes vs Rubensistes
Lecture: Rococo--Watteau and the Conversational Mode
Reading:
• Mary Vidal, Watteau’s Painted Conversations, Ch. 4, “The Artist as Aristocrat”®
• T. Crow, “Fêtes galantes” in D. Hollier, A New History of French Literature®

Week 4
Discussion: Watteau and Aristocratic Culture
Film: Les Liaisons Dangeureuses
Reading:

Week 5
Discussion: Les Liaisons Dangereuses, 18th C Eroticism, Worldy Culture and Painting
Madame de Pompadour, Portraiture, and the 18th C Nude
• Ewa Lajer-Burcharth, “Pompadour’s Touch: Difference in Representation” Representations, 73 (Winter, 2001).
• Melissa Hyde, “The 'Makeup' of the Marquise: Boucher's Portrait of Pompadour at her Toilette.” Art Bulletin; Sep2000, Vol. 82 Issue 3, p453
Week 6  
Discussion: Madame de Pompadour and the reaction against the Rococo  

MIDTERM REVIEW  

Week 7  

MIDTERM EXAM  

Reading:  
- Diana Donald, “‘This truly natural and faithful painter’: Hogarth’s Depiction of Modern Life”, in ed David Bindman et. al, Manchester University Press, 2001, 163-191.  
- Art In Theory: “IV Introduction,” 629-33; Hogarth ‘Of Academies’ 635-638; Reynolds, “Discourses on Art III, IV, and XI”;  
- Optional Extra Credit: Read David Solkin, “Hogarth’s Refinement,” in Painting for Money, pp. 78-105 and write a one page summary of the most important points.  

Week 8  
Discussion Hogarth  
Lecture: Art for the Public—Hogarth in Britain: Morality Tales and Conversations; Paris Salon  

Reading:  
- Art in Theory: Diderot from the ‘Salon of 1763’, 602-608; “Salon of 1767,” 618-620  

Optional Extra Credit: Read Friedrich Melchior Grimm, from “Correspondence littéraire, 592-595. Exerpts from Diderot’s Encyclopédie—“Genius,”587-590; “Observation,” 590-592 and write a one page response.  

Week 9  
Discussion: The Salon  
Lecture Painting of the Middle Class in France—Chardin and Greuze  

Reading:  
- Carol Duncan, “Happy Mothers and Other New Ideas in Eighteenth-Century French Art” in Feminism and Art History  
- Crow, Painter’s and Public Life, Ch. V, “Greuze and Official Art”  


Week 10  
Lecture: 18th C women artists  

Reading:  
- M. Sheriff, The Exceptional Woman: Elizabeth Vigée-Lebrun and the Cultural Politics of Art, Ch. 3, “The Law, the Academy and the Exceptional Woman,” pp. 73-104(R)  

Week 11:
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Discussion: 18th C. Women Artists
Lecture: Italy in the 18th C—Tiepolo, Canaletto, The Grand Tour and the emergence of Neo-Classicism

Reading:
  • Svetlana Alpers and Michael Baxandall on Tiepolo
  • C. de Seta, "Grand Tour: The Lure of Italy in the Eighteenth Century," A. Wilton & I. Bignamini, Grand
    Tour (1997): 13-20
  • Alex Potts, "The Significance of Winckelmann’s History," in Flesh and the Ideal: Winckelmann and the
    origins of art history, Yale University Press, 1994, 12-22.
  • Art in Theory: George Turnbull, “From A Treatise on Ancient Painting”, 427-432; Winckelmann, from
    “Reflections on the Imitation of Greek Works in Painting and Sculpture,” 450-456. Winckelmann, from A
    History of Ancient Art, 466-475.

Week 12
Spring break

Week 13
Discussion: Neoclassicism
Lecture: David, Neoclassicism and the French Revolution

Reading:
  • Crow, Painters and Public Life, Ch. VII, “David and the Salon”
  • Lynn Hunt, “The Imagery of Radicalism,” Politics, Culture and Class in the French Revolution, U. C.
    Press, 1984, 87-119(R)
  • Art in Theory: various readings on David, 699-705; various writings from the revolutionary period, pp 710-30

Week 14
Discussion David and the French Revolution
Lecture: William Blake and the argument against Enlightenment

Reading:
Morris Eaves, “The Title Page of the Book of Urizen”
Look at your assigned Blake work in http://www.blakearchive.org/blake/main.html
Art in Theory: Blake, "Marginal Notes to Reynolds’s Discourses," 998-1003

Week 15
Blake Presentations
FINAL EXAM REVIEW

FINAL EXAM May 24, 2-3:50 pm
ARITH 454 - HYBRID
Sonoma State Univ.
4 units / upper div. C1
Fall 2020

Nineteenth-Century Art History:
Art and the Emergence of Modernity

Instructor Contact:
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Office Hours: Via Zoom, Mondays 10-11:00 a.m. (https://SonomaState.zoom.us/j/9788400162). Or, email me. We will correspond via email or set up a Zoom chat if that’s best. I generally respond to emails within 24 hours. Please always feel free to reach out to me. I am here to support you.

Course Modality and General Game Plan:
This is a “hybrid” course: you’ll be working on your own time to complete online course work, and we’ll meet remotely via Zoom once per week for short class discussions.

Our general weekly schedule will be:
• Online weekly work will be posted to Canvas, and will be generally due on Tuesdays (which is the day before we meet on Zoom each week). You will work through it asynchronously on your own time. Weekly work will generally consist of reading, watching short lecture videos by me, and completing quizzes and discussion questions. There is one essay assigned for the semester, and one final project.

• Wednesday mornings, we will meet via Zoom to review material and have discussions. Since this is a fairly big class, I will be splitting the class into two groups starting in week 2: Group 1 will meet via Zoom 9:30-10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays, Group 2 will meet 10:45-11:45 on Wednesdays.

Technology Requirements for this class:
• Internet connection to access Canvas and assigned websites, etc. If you’re having problems running Canvas on your device, they provide 24/7 telephone support: (833) 263-0709.
• A fairly recent Mac or PC with a current operating system to complete the course activities. Canvas can run on Windows, Mac, Linux, iOS, Android, or any other device with an up-to-date web browser.
• A webcam and microphone, to use Zoom video conferencing. Most computers have integrated cameras and microphones, but you should check your computer to ensure both
work and to familiarize yourself with the settings. Zoom can also be installed as an app on your mobile device.

If you’re concerned that access to any of these technologies may be difficult for you, please reach out to me right away via email. We will work together on solutions.

**Course Description:**

This course examines the development of modern art in Europe and the U.S. from roughly 1789 to 1899. In this century, economic and social upheavals brought about a profound transformation in these areas of the world. Artists both responded and helped give form to these historical changes. Consequently, understanding the relation between art and its historical context will be a primary goal of this course. We will cover the major artistic movements and styles of the period – Neoclassicism, Romanticism, Realism, Impressionism, and Symbolism – but we will focus first and foremost on questions of artistic production and reception within a social context. We will aim to understand why artists were so consistently drawn to the extreme (and extremely modern) subjects of revolution, nationalism, colonialism, urbanization, and gender. What, in other words, is the relation between modern art and the experiences of modernity?

**Course Learning Objectives:**

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- Apply critical thinking and visual analysis skills to a complex world.
- Demonstrate literacy in the art history of nineteenth-century Europe and the U.S., by showing knowledge of representative works.
- Perform oral and written visual analysis of an artwork, using description as evidence to support points.
- Describe and analyze the relationship between art and its social, historical and institutional contexts, both verbally and in writing.

**Required Text:**


The text is available in an e-book version, or you can order the physical book via the SSU bookstore, Amazon, etc.

- **E-book:** If you purchase the e-book directly from the publisher, it will be accessible on any of your devices, including phones. [https://digital.wwnorton.com/19thcentart](https://digital.wwnorton.com/19thcentart) Access starts at $50 for 6 months. Amazon offers an e-book option of the 5th edition that is about $10 cheaper - be sure to read the fine print to see if your devices are supported. The SSU bookstore is also offering digital access.
• Physical book: The SSU bookstore has the book for sale (rental, used, or new) - I don’t know how long their delivery time will be. If you purchase from Amazon, etc. make sure you buy the 5th edition! Earlier editions will not match the page numbers I’m assigning.

Course Requirements and Grades:
Your grade is based upon the requirements listed below. Assignments will be graded as follows:

Required:
• Attendance - - - 10%
  - Zoom attendance
• Participation - - - 10%
  - Active engagement in Zoom sessions
  - Preparation for Zoom sessions (readings, disc. questions complete)
  - Participation self-assessments (1st half, 2nd half)
• Weekly Reading Quizzes and Discussion Questions - - - 30%
• Essay - - - 20%
• Final Project - - - 30%
  - Part I -- project itself
  - Part II -- respond to others’ projects

Optional Extra Credit:
Up to 2 extra credit assignments can be completed to substitute for missed reading quizzes, missed discussion questions, a missed Zoom session, or up to 3 points per submission for essays/project. See the extra credit assignment on Canvas for full instructions.
• Recreation of an artwork at home from our class or textbook, with 1 paragraph explaining your choice and approach - - - up to full credit for one missed: reading quiz, discussion question, Zoom session.

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- **Essay - - - 20%**
The essay is due the 7th week of class. It will be a response essay analyzing the role of 19th century U.S. monuments. Essays will be graded on quality of writing, clarity, and solid argumentation. (See this assignment on Canvas for late policy.)

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DSS Website

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CLASS SCHEDULE
1) Introduction to class / Ancien Regime
- WED 8/19, 9:30 a.m. - first Zoom meeting: intro to class

- Week’s work due by next Tues, 8/25
  - Syllabus and Zoom etiquette quiz
  - Watch Ancien Regime videos
  - Ancien Regime quiz, discussion questions

2) Neoclassicism
- WED 8/26 - Zoom meeting (review, discussion of the week’s material that was due 8/25)
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

- Week’s work due by next Tues, 9/1
  - Reading: Eisenman Ch.1 - p. 17-21 - sections “The Cult of Civic Virtue” and "A Call to Order" / OPTIONAL - p. 24-35 - start with the section "The Circle of Men," read all sections all the way through the discussion of The death of Marat in "Figures of Revolutionary Death" which ends on p. 35.
  - Reading: PDF -- Denis Diderot, excerpts from “Essay on Painting”
  - Watch Neoclassicism videos
  - Neoclassicism quiz, discussion questions

3) Romanticism (Colonialism in France, I)
- WED 9/2 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

- Week’s work due by next Tues, 9/8
  - Reading: Eisenman Ch. 1 - The two Girodet paintings I talk about are on pgs. 41, 49; optionally read about them if you wish. / Ch. 2 - In “The Artist Hero in the Face of Empire” and “Return from the Wreckage” concentrate on the portions on Gericault, p. 64-72. Read the section on Delacroix’s Massacre at Scio, p.75-76, which is more thorough than the essay below.
  - Reading: Smarthistory essay on Delacroix for an overview on his career: https://smarthistory.org/eugene-delacroix/
  - Reading: PDF -- Stendhal, excerpts from “Salon of 1824”
  - Watch Romanticism videos
  - Romanticism quiz, discussion questions

4) Romantic Landscape Painting
- WED 9/9 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
- Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

• **Week’s work due by next Tues, 9/15**
  - Reading: Eisenman Ch. 5 - “Landscape Instincts and the Picturesque” p.125-129, “Turner’s Meaningful Obscurity” and “Turner’s Later Work” p. 142-148 / Ch. 6 - “Progress and its Discontents...” and “To Silence or Reveal...” p. 159-168 / OPTIONAL: For further context on the ideology and myths of the American wilderness, read Ch. 8 - “The Myth of the Frontier” p. 191-196.
  - Reading: PDF -- Henry David Thoreau, excerpts from *Walden*
  - Watch Romantic Landscape videos
  - Landscape quiz, discussion questions

5) **Neoclassical Strategies in the U.S. - Representations of Race**
• **WED 9/16** - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

• **Week’s work due by next Tues, 9/22**
  - Reading: Eisenman Ch. 9 - “The Abolitionist Movement and Challenges to Racist Stereotypes” and “Prelude to the Civil War” p. 211-217 / Read only the section on Lewis in “African American Artists at Home and Abroad: Edmonia Lewis and Henry Osawa Tanner” p. 228-232 (the section on Tanner is OPTIONAL).
  - Watch Representations of Race videos
  - Representations of Race quiz, discussion questions

6) **Essay week**
• **WED 9/23** - OPTIONAL Zoom check ins about the paper assignment - Zoom in if you have questions or would like to discuss paper strategies, anytime between 9:30 - 11:30 am

• **ESSAY due by next Tues, 9/29**
  - Essay assignment
  - Reading for essay:
    1 -- Melissa Block, “Revisiting Sacred Cows: Which Figures from History Do We Honor, And How?” [https://www.npr.org/2020/07/03/886537538/revisiting-sacred-cows-which-figures-from-history-do-we-honor-and-how?utm_medium=social&utm_term=nprnews&utm_source=facebook.com&utm_campaign=npr&fbclid=IwAR33lX2fp04QgAFQ4RBeW_unjNa1wCw0vcdpInBmNIsOVqqCv3rpeRHiLUM&fbclid=IwAR14Vv9eS1iu8FKn4CVHPWRsxr9m10qs_OKcq29pB95Qd_4VNN8bediKRI](https://www.npr.org/2020/07/03/886537538/revisiting-sacred-cows-which-figures-from-history-do-we-honor-and-how?utm_medium=social&utm_term=nprnews&utm_source=facebook.com&utm_campaign=npr&fbclid=IwAR33lX2fp04QgAFQ4RBeW_unjNa1wCw0vcdpInBmNIsOVqqCv3rpeRHiLUM&fbclid=IwAR14Vv9eS1iu8FKn4CVHPWRsxr9m10qs_OKcq29pB95Qd_4VNN8bediKRI)
    2 -- brief biography of Thomas Ball: [https://americanart.si.edu/artist/thomas-ball-218](https://americanart.si.edu/artist/thomas-ball-218)

7) **Orientalism (Colonialism in France, II)**
• **NO Zoom** this week

**Week’s work due by next Tues, 10/6**
- Participation Self-Assessment #1 - due Tues, 10/6
- Reading: Eisenman Ch. 10 - “Race and Racism” p. 256-257.
- Reading: Smarthistory essay on Orientalism: [https://smarthistory.org/orientalism/](https://smarthistory.org/orientalism/)
- Watch videos on Orientalism
- Orientalism quiz, discussion questions

**8) Photography (New Ways of Picturing, I)**
- **WED 10/7** - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

- **Week’s work due by next Tues, 10/13**
  - Reading: Eisenman Ch. 12 - “The Daguerrotype in France” and “Fox Talbot and Photography in Britain” p. 285-290, “Photography and Art” and “Art Photography in Britain” p. 303-309.
  - Watch videos on Photography
  - Photography quiz, discussion questions

**9) Realism (New Ways of Picturing, II)**
- **WED 10/14** - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

- **Week’s work due by next Tues, 10/20**
  - Reading: PDF -- Gustave Courbet, “Art Cannot Be Taught” letter
  - Watch Realism videos
  - Realism quiz, discussion questions

**10) The Devolution of the Nude**
- **WED 10/21** - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

- **Week’s work due by next Tues, 10/27**
  - Reading: Eisenman Ch. 15: “Manet’s Olympia” p. 372-375.
  - Reading: PDF -- Alexi Worth, “The Invention of Clumsiness”
- Watch Devolution of Nude videos
- Devolution of Nude quiz, discussion questions

11) Impressionism (New Ways of Picturing, III)
• WED 10/28 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

• Week’s work due by next Tues, 11/3
- Reading: Eisenman Ch. 15 - “Eduoard Manet and Haussmannization” and “The Flaneur” p. 369-372, from “Impressionism and the Commodity” through all the following sections to the end of the chapter p. 376-387.
- Reading: PDF -- Charles Baudelaire, excerpts from “The Painter of Modern Life”
- Reading: PDF -- Jules Laforgue, excerpts from “Impressionism”
- Watch Impressionism videos
- Impressionism quiz, discussion questions

12) Post-Impressionism - Van Gogh vs. Gauguin (Art in the face of entrenched Capitalism, I)
• WED 11/4 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

• Week’s work due by next Tues, 11/10
- Reading: Eisenman Ch. 19 - “Two Myths About Van Gogh” through all the following sections to the end of the chapter p. 435-448 / Ch. 20 - “The Rhetoric of Symbolism” and “Gauguin and Symbolism in Brittany” p.451-456.
- Reading: PDF -- Van Gogh letters
- Watch Post-Impressionism videos
- Post-Impressionism quiz, discussion questions

13) Symbolism (Art in the face of entrenched Capitalism, II)
• NO ZOOM this week - Veterans’ Day Holiday

• Week’s work due by next Tues, 11/17
- Reading: Eisenman Ch. 20 - “Symbolist Landscape Painting...“ p. 460-470.
- Reading: PDF -- Edvard Munch diary entries
- Watch Symbolism videos
- Symbolism quiz, discussion questions

14) Final Project Assignment begins
• **WED 11/18** - LAST Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 9:30 - 10:30 am
  - Group 2 = 10:45 - 11:45 am

• **Week’s work**
  - Read through final project assignment; email me if you have questions at this stage; begin working on your project
  - Participation Self-Assessment #2 due by Tues., 11/24

**15) THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY (11/25 - 11/27)**

**16) Final Projects due by Fri., 12/4**

• **WED 12/2** - **OPTIONAL** Zoom check ins about the final project - Zoom in if you have questions or would like to discuss strategies, anytime between 9:30 - 11:30 am

**17) FINALS WEEK - Responses to Final Projects due by Fri., 12/11**
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History of Modern Art, 1945-1979

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• Tuesday afternoons, we will meet via Zoom to review material and have discussions. Since this is a fairly big class, I will be splitting the class into two groups starting in week 2: Group 1 will meet via Zoom 4:00-5:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, Group 2 will meet 5:15-6:15 on Tuesdays.
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Course Description:
This course will present a broad survey of American and international developments in modern art, focusing on the ‘postwar’ period, that is, work made between 1945 and 1979. The course is structured as a chronological overview: we will study a selection of artists and movements, starting in the years immediately following World War II and working through the advent of postmodernism in the 1970s. We will examine crucial political and economic events that impacted art production in these decades, as well aesthetic issues and theories necessary for a thorough understanding of the full spectrum of late modern art and artists.

Course Learning Objectives:
By the end of this course, you should be able to:
• Apply critical thinking and visual analysis skills to a complex world.
• Assess qualities of inspiration, imagination, and creativity in works of art.
• Demonstrate literacy in the art history of postwar art in the U.S. and other selected areas, by showing knowledge of representative works.
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Readings for Class:
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Course Requirements and Grading Policy:
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Participation self-assessments (1\textsuperscript{st} half, 2\textsuperscript{nd} half)

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  - Modernism reading
  - Modernism quiz, discussion questions

2) Setting the Scene: New York in the 1930s and 40s
• TUES 8/25 - Zoom meeting (review, discussion of the week’s material that was due 8/24)
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm
• Week’s work due by next Mon, 8/31
  - NY in the 30s and 40s videos / websites
  - NY in the 30s and 40s quiz, discussion questions

3) Abstract Expressionism
• TUES 9/1 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• Week’s work due by next Mon, 9/7
  - Reading: PDF -- Harold Rosenberg, excerpts from “The American Action Painters”
  - Reading: PDF -- Jackson Pollock, excerpts from “Two Statements”
  - Abstract Expressionism videos / websites
  - Abstract Expressionism quiz, discussion questions

4) Neo-Dada, ‘Junk’ Art, and the Beats (American Consumerism I)
• TUES 9/8 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• Week’s work due by next Mon, 9/14
  - Reading: PDF -- Leo Steinberg, excerpts from “Other Criteria”
  - Neo-Dada videos / websites
  - Neo-Dada quiz, discussion questions

5) Pop Art (American Consumerism II)
• TUES 9/15 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• Week’s work due by next Mon, 9/21
  - Reading: PDF -- Andy Warhol, interview with Gene Swenson
  - Pop Art videos / websites
  - Pop Art quiz, discussion questions

6) Performance Art, Gutai, Fluxus (Abandoning the Object I)
• TUES 9/22 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm
• **Week’s work due by next Mon, 9/28**
  - Reading: PDF -- Allan Kaprow, “Assemblages, Environments and Happenings”
  - Performance Art videos / websites
  - Performance Art quiz, discussion questions

7) **Essay week**
• **TUES 9/29** - OPTIONAL Zoom check ins about the paper assignment - Zoom in if you have questions or would like to discuss paper strategies, anytime between 4:00 - 5:00 pm

• **ESSAY due by next Mon, 10/5**
  - Essay assignment on Canvas

8) **Minimalism (Expanded field I)**
• **NO Zoom** this week, 10/6

• **Week’s work due by next Mon, 10/12**
  - Participation Self-Assessment #1 - due Mon, 10/12
  - Minimalism videos / websites
  - Minimalism quiz, discussion questions

9) **Post-Minimalism / Arte Povera (Expanded field II)**
• **TUES 10/13** - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• **Week’s work due by next Mon, 10/19**
  - Reading: PDF -- Germano Celant, excerpts from “Arte Povera”
  - Post-Min videos / websites
  - Post-Min quiz, discussion questions

10) **Earthworks (Expanded field III)**
• **TUES 10/20** - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• **Week’s work due by next Mon, 10/26**
  - Reading: PDF -- Robert Smithson, excerpts from “A Sedimentation of the Mind: Earth Projects”
  - Earthworks videos / websites
  - Earthworks quiz, discussion questions
11) Video Art (Expanded field IV)
• TUES 10/27 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• Week’s work due by next Mon, 11/2
  - Video art videos (ha ha) / websites
  - Video art quiz, discussion questions

12) Protest Art I
• NO Zoom on 11/3 - Election Day

• Week’s work due by next Mon, 11/9
  - Reading: TBA (see next week also)
  - Protest art I videos / websites
  - Protest art I quiz, discussion questions

13) Protest Art II
• TUES 11/10 - Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• Week’s work due by next Mon, 11/16
  - Reading: PDF -- Mierle Laderman Ukeles, “Maintenence Art Manifesto”
  - Reading: PDF -- Dan Graham, “Presentation to an Open Hearing of the Art Workers’ Coalition”
  - Protest art II videos / websites
  - Protest art III quiz, discussion questions

• TUES 11/17 - LAST Zoom meetings
  - Group 1 = 4:00 - 5:00 pm
  - Group 2 = 5:15 - 6:15 pm

• Week’s work due by 11/23
  - Mod and Pomo videos / websites
  - Mod and Pomo quiz, discussion questions
  - Read through final project assignment; email me if you have questions at this stage; begin working on your project
  - Participation Self-Assessment #2 due by Mon., 11/23
15) THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY (11/25 - 11/27)  
- no work this week

16) Final Projects due by Fri., 12/4  
• TUES 12/1 - OPTIONAL Zoom check ins about the final project - Zoom in if you have questions or would like to discuss strategies, anytime between 4:00 - 5:00 pm

17) FINALS WEEK - Responses to Final Projects due by Fri., 12/11
Sonoma State University  
Department of Art and Art History  
ARTH 468: Curatorial Practice - (Bisynchronous)  
Spring 2021

**ARTH 468: Curatorial Practice**

**Course and Instructor Contact Information:**

Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Bethke  
Email: bethke@sonoma.edu  
Office Hours: Via Zoom, Fridays 12-1:00 p.m. ([https://SonomaState.zoom.us/j/9788400162](https://SonomaState.zoom.us/j/9788400162)). Or, email me. We will correspond via email or set up a Zoom chat if that’s best. I generally respond to emails within 24 hours. Please always feel free to reach out to me. I’m here to support you.

**Class Day/Time:** Tuesdays 4:00-6:40 p.m. - we will be meeting via Zoom.

**Course Description:**

As contemporary museum theory and practice evolves, the role of the curator is shifting. Ideas about the relationships among museums and the societies and audiences they serve are changing. Curatorial Practice is a seminar course designed to explore the changing role of the curator in both art institutions and the broader museum world, and provide students with practical skills and theoretical knowledge about curators in particular and museums in general. In addition to a historical review of curatorial models, the course will address such subjects as curatorial theory; assessment and interpretation; writing for curators; public speaking; research methodology for curators; and exhibition theory and practice.

**Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives:**

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to:

- Demonstrate literacy in the history and theory of curatorship, by showing knowledge of curating and museum institutions in the past and present day.
- Demonstrate proficiency in key curatorial skills: interpretation of exhibition objects; writing for curators; public speaking; and exhibition research and organization.
- Know about a variety of current debates and approaches in the curatorial field.

**Course Format and Instructional Methods:**

This course will be delivered entirely online, both through Canvas (SSU’s learning management system) and through Zoom. This is a “bisynchronous” class: you’ll be working on your own time to complete online course work, and we’ll meet via Zoom once per week for class discussions.
In Canvas, you will access online lessons, course materials, and resources. All student work will be submitted online in Canvas; an end-of-the-semester presentation will be delivered via Zoom.

If you’re concerned that access to any of these technologies may be difficult for you, please reach out to me right away via email. We will work together on solutions.

Our general weekly schedule will be:

- Online weekly work will be posted to Canvas and will be generally due on Mondays by midnight (which is the day before we meet on Zoom each week). You will work through it asynchronously on your own time.
- Tuesday afternoons at 4:00, we will meet via Zoom to review material and have discussions. Zoom url for all meetings: https://SonomaState.zoom.us/j/84742419766

**Required Readings and other Materials:**
All required readings, videos, and other material will be posted to Canvas.

**Using Canvas:**
Canvas is SSU’s Learning Management System (LMS). Canvas is the place where you will find the course syllabus, read posted announcements, participate in online class discussions with classmates, submit your assignments online and access all the materials for this course. To access the Canvas course, use your SSU Seawolf ID and password to log into SSU’s Online Services portal. Click on the Canvas link. When you get to the Canvas Dashboard, click on the course title you would like to access.

Visit the SSU Canvas Support Center to review frequently asked questions about using Canvas and also to view a list of technical recommendations.

You can also contact Information Technology (IT) if you need assistance accessing Canvas or other information about computing and information technology at SSU. Three ways to contact the IT Help Desk are:
- Call: 707-664-4357
- Email: helpdesk@sonoma.edu

**Course Requirements and Grades:**
The key assignments for this course include readings and videos on curatorship and museums; practical assignments related to hands-on management of the University Art Gallery; and a final project of designing a virtual exhibition.

**Assignments:**
- 10% - Attendance (via Zoom)
• 5% - Art Gallery: Social media posts
• 20% - Art Gallery: Midterm assignment - Extended label for permanent collection
• 10% - Reading Reflections
• 10% - Discussion Posts
• 45% total - Final Project - Virtual Exhibition:
  - 5% - Draft and final proposal
  - 10% - Oral Presentation
  - 30% - Essay and Checklist with one extended label

• Attendance - - - 10%
Attendance at our weekly Zoom sessions is mandatory. You must be on time and stay in attendance for the full session to receive attendance credit each week. Participation is key to making our Zoom sessions successful - these weekly meetings are all about group discussions and engagement. I will regularly call on students when I ask questions, have you use the chat function, and we will also regularly use the breakout rooms on Zoom to have small group discussions. You are required to be prepared for our Zoom session by completing the reading each week.

• Art Gallery: Social Media Posts - - - 5%
This assignment brings students into the role of social media manager, a common entry-level job in museums and galleries. The task of writing social media posts will stretch through the semester, with students each writing two posts on three of the spring online exhibitions for the University Art Gallery.

• Art Gallery: Midterm assignment - Extended label for permanent collection - - - 20%
The midterm assignment will consist of researching for and writing an extended label for an object in the University Art Gallery’s permanent collection.

• Reading Reflections - - - 10%
Several weeks we will be reading multiple sources on a topic; these will be summarized and reflected upon in 1-2 page Reading Reflections. We often will use these as the basis of our discussions in Zoom.

• Discussion Posts - - - 10%
There will be several Canvas Discussion Posts required throughout the semester, on a variety of topics.

• Final Project: Virtual Exhibition - - - 45% total
The final project for class is developing a virtual exhibition, with a theme and objects of your choice. The final project is a full 45% of your grade, but it is broken into several smaller assignments: a draft proposal (5%), a short oral presentation to the class on Zoom (10%), and an essay written as a curatorial introduction to the exhibition along with a checklist for the exhibition with one extended label (30%).
**Academic integrity:**
I expect you to approach our course with integrity, honesty, and good ethical values. Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) can result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified. Exams will be reviewed for plagiarism. If any assignment is found to have been plagiarized, its author risks failing the course and will face university penalties.

The University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available online at [http://www.sonoma.edu/policies/cheating-and-plagiarism](http://www.sonoma.edu/policies/cheating-and-plagiarism)

**Basic Explanation of Grades:**
A = Outstanding work, indicated by an excellent critical understanding and articulation of course material, and the demonstration of independent thinking.
B = Good work, indicated by a much more than satisfactory understanding and articulation of course material.
C = Satisfactory work, indicated by a basic understanding and articulation of course material.
D = Unsatisfactory work, indicated by inadequate understanding and articulation of course material.
F = Failure to complete all course work and/or inability to demonstrate an understanding and articulation of course material.

**Help during the semester:**
These are unusual times. I encourage you to please be in email contact with me right away if you’re encountering problems getting your work done. Those problems might range from not having a good internet connection, to a sick family member, to problems concentrating, and more. All struggles are legitimate, and I’m here to help you accomplish the goal of successfully completing class. So - reach out to me. I am here to support you, and I’ll do my best to figure out a way to make the semester work for you.

The following SSU resources may also help:

**SSU COVID-19 Information, Hotline and Help**
COVID-19 Call Center: (707) 664-2880. Staffed Mon-Fri, 10am - 2pm, or leave a message. covid19@sonoma.edu

**Student Support and Advising**
nomacares@sonoma.edu
They will field any question, concern, or logistical query you have during this time.

**SSU Writing Center**
The SSU Writing Center is operating remotely - they offer help with writing projects and tutoring. For more info and to sign up for help: [mywco.com/larc](http://mywco.com/larc)

**DSS (Disability Access for Students)**
If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require accommodations, please register with the campus office of Disability Services for Students (DSS). Be sure to present me with your authorization for services early in the semester so we can work together.

[http://www.sonoma.edu/uaaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm](http://www.sonoma.edu/uaaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm)
Phone: (707) 664-2677
Phone TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958
[SSU’s policy on Disability Access for Students](http://www.sonoma.edu/uaaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm)

**Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)**
Phone: (707) 664-2153
[CAPS Website](http://www.sonoma.edu/uaaffairs/counseling/)

**University Policies:**
There are important University policies that you should be aware of, such as the add/drop policy; cheating and plagiarism policy, grade appeal procedures; accommodations for students with disabilities and the diversity vision statement. See [Important Policies and Procedures for Students](http://www.sonoma.edu/uaaffairs/policies.html).

**Dropping and Adding**
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**CLASS SCHEDULE**

1) - Week of Tues 1/26 -- Intro / First assignments / History of Curating, Museums
   - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - intro to class
   - Readings for this week
     - NYT on Moynihan Hall, Penn Station
     - Videos, etc. on history of museums
     - The Case for Museums, The Art Assignment
   - Assignments
     - Social media management 1: Murals exhibition (due Mon 2/1)
     - Discussion post: Exhibitions that have impacted you (due Mon 2/1)

2) - Week of Tues 2/2 -- Who Gets to Curate?
   - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - discuss last week’s assignments
   - Readings for this week
     - *Participatory Museum* excerpts
     - A curator on “curating”
     - other, TBA
   - Assignment
     - Summary reflection on readings (due Mon 2/8)
     - Discussion post: Hivemind brainstorm: useful online museum collections (due Mon 2/8)

3) - Week of Tues 2/9 -- Activist Curation
   - Optional CSU artist talk: Shaun Anderson, Thurs 2/11 5:30 pm. To register for the talk, visit this website and scroll down to registration links for Spring 2021 Events: [https://www.cpp.edu/platform-csu-art-speaker-series/](https://www.cpp.edu/platform-csu-art-speaker-series/)
   - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - discuss reading reflections
   - Readings for this week
     - excerpts from Maura Reily
     - NYT on Forensic Architecture
     - NYT on new Guggenheim curator
     - other, TBA
   - Assignment
     - Reading reflection on readings (due Mon 2/15)

4) - Week of Tues 2/16 -- Audience and Engagement
• - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - discuss reading reflections; discuss Labels assignment
• - Readings for this week
  - VTS text
  - other, TBA
• - Assignment
  - begin looking at Midterm Assignment: Extended Label (due Fri 3/5)
  - Reading reflection on readings (due Mon 2/22)

5) - Week of Tues 2/23 -- Writing as a Curator: Labels
• - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - discuss reading reflections; labels activity
• - Readings for this week
  - Artemesia Gentileschi labels
  - other, TBA
• - Assignment
  - Midterm Assignment: Extended Label (due next week Fri 3/5)

6) - Week of Tues 3/2 -- MIDTERM ASSIGNMENT DUE: Extended Label (due Fri 3/5)
• - OPTIONAL ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - Zoom is optional this week, if you would like to discuss your label assignment with me
• - Assignment
  - Midterm Assignment: Extended Label (due Fri 3/5)

7) - Week of Tues 3/9 -- Special Exhibition Case Studies
• Optional CSU artist talk: Curator Valerie Cassel Oliver in conversation with artist Howardena Pindell, Thurs 3/11 5:30 pm. To register for the talk, visit this website and scroll down to registration links for Spring 2021 Events: https://www.cpp.edu/platform-csu-art-speaker-series/
  • - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - go over final project and start brainstorming; introduce the topic of special exhibitions
  • - Readings for this week
    - Gauguin at De Young
    - Vida Americana, Whitney
    - other, TBA
• - Assignment
  - Reading reflection on readings (due Mon 3/15)
  - Final Project: Final Topic brainstorm (due Mon 3/15)
  - Social media management 2: ART@CSU exhibition (due WED 3/17)

8) - Week of Tues 3/16 -- Permanent Collection Case Studies
• - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - discuss reading reflections; share project brainstorms
• - Readings for this week
  - MoMA
  - Legion of Honor with artist interventions
  - The Art Assignment, Remake the Met
  - other, TBA

9) - Week of Tues 3/23 -- SPRING BREAK
• Enjoy your break!

10) - Week of Tues 3/30 -- WORK WEEK: lock in final project topics
   • - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - discuss final projects again, 1-on-1 chats with anyone who needs project topic help
   • - Assignment
     - final project topic proposal (due Mon 4/5)

11) - Week of Tues 4/6 - Guest lecture #1
   • - ZOOM, Tues -- time and guest speaker TBA
   • - Assignment
     - work on final project

12) - Week of Tues 4/13 - Guest lecture #2
   • - ZOOM, Tues -- time and guest speaker TBA
   • - Assignment
     - work on final project
     - Social media management 3: BFA exhibition (due WED 4/21)

13) - Week of Tues 4/20 - Guest lecture #3
   • - ZOOM, Tues -- 4:00 pm, Margie Maynard, SVMA
   • - Assignment
     - work on final project

14) - Week of Tues 4/27 - Guest lecture #4
   • Optional CSU artist talk: People’s Kitchen Collective, Thurs 4/29 5:30 pm. To register for the talk, visit this website and scroll down to registration links for Spring 2021 Events:
     https://www.cpp.edu/platform-csu-art-speaker-series/
   • - ZOOM, Tues -- time and guest speaker TBA
   • - Assignment
     - Projects presentations due next week and week after, 5/4 (and 5/11)
     - work on final project

15) - Week of Tues 5/4 -- PROJECT PRESENTATIONS
   • - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - Round 1 of project presentations
   • - Assignment
     - work on final project

16) - Week of Tues 5/11 -- PROJECT PRESENTATIONS
   • - ZOOM, Tues 4:00 pm - Round 2 of project presentations
   • - Assignment
     - work on final project

17) Week of Tues 5/18 -- FINALS WEEK
• Project Essay and Checklist/label due, by finals day, TUES 5/18 at midnight
Course Description

This course examines Islamic art from the rise of Islam in the 7th century to the 20th century, focusing on the traditional Islamic world (from Spain to the Indian subcontinent). As the scope of the course is vast, the focus will be on works that are representative of specific periods or movements and will emphasize the cultural, political, and religious milieu within which individual works and monuments were created. While the material will be approached geographically and chronologically, several themes such as the definition of the Islamic art and the role of the patron in determining styles will unify the diverse artistic trends and styles produced throughout the Islamic world.

Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to (1) identify selected works of Islamic art from Spain to India in terms of style, date and iconography, (2) write essays regarding the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical, religious and cultural context, (3) analyze and critique scholarly articles, and (4) research and write a paper on Islamic art.

Required Text

All additional readings for the course are on reserve at the library and available through Moodle, unless otherwise noted. See list of books on reserve at the end of the syllabus. PLEASE DO READINGS BEFORE CLASS.

**Classroom Protocol**

**Attendance:** Regular class attendance is imperative for 2 major reasons: 1) the lectures will regularly introduce additional material not covered in your readings and 2) class participation and attendance counts as 5% of your final grade. If you do not attend, you cannot participate. If you are unable to attend class due to an illness, participation in a university-sponsored event, or other serious reason, please contact me as soon as possible. **If you miss class, you are still responsible for the material presented that day.**

**In-class Electronics Policy:** All electronics (cell phones, iPods, computers, etc) must be turned off and remain off throughout the class.

**Course Requirements**

It is not necessary that you have had background in Islam or Islamic Art. However, you must do all the readings and participate in the **class discussions.**

**Readings:** Below is a schedule of lecture topics and readings which will serve as an outline for the course. All articles that are not in your text are posted on Moodle and on reserve at the library unless otherwise noted. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made.

**Exams:** There will be a midterm and a final exam that will include slide IDs, short essays, a long essay and fill in the blanks. Make-up exams are only available with verification of illness or emergency. **IF YOU MISS AN EXAM, YOU WILL RECEIVE A “0” FOR THAT EXAM.** To make up an exam, you MUST contact us within 24 hours with a valid excuse. Failure to do so will result in a zero. Exams will cover information from the textbook, outside readings, and lectures.

**Homework:** The assignments and their due dates are listed below on the course schedule. Readings will be posted on Moodle.

**Paper:** Each student is required to write an 8-10 page paper on a well-researched topic of his/her choice. See below. A hard copy of the paper must be handed as well as a digital version at TurnItIn on Moodle.

**Grading Policy**

There will be a midterm (25%), a final (30%), a research paper (20%), homework assignments (20 %), and attendance (5%).

A (100-90) represents work of **definitely superior quality**
B (89-80) represents a **better-than-average** level of performance
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SSU Writing Center
The SSU Writing Center is located in Schulz 1103. The Writing Center helps SSU students, faculty, and staff members (as well as members of the wider community) become better writers and produce better written documents. The Writing Center website is located at http://www.sonoma.edu/programs/writingcenter/default.html.

Course Schedule (Subject to change)
Additional readings may be assigned and will be announced in class.

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| 1    | Jan. 25 | **Lecture:** Overview of course and introduction to Islam  
**Readings:** Ansary, Introduction through Chapter 3 (pp. xiii-52)  
**Recommended:** The Nature of Islamic Art - http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/orna/orna.htm |
| 2    | Feb. 1  | **Homework Due on Ansary (Intro – Ch. 2)**  
**Lecture:** Establishing and Aesthetic: The Umayyad Dynasty  
**Recommended:** Figural Representation in Islamic Art - http://www.metmuseum.org/toah/hd/figs/figs.htm |
| 3    | Feb. 8  | **Lecture:** Art and Administration under the Abbasids: A Cultural Renaissance  
**Readings:** 1) Ansary, Chapter 6 & 7, 2) Bloom & Blair, pp. 38 – 127  
**Recommended:** Calligraphy in Islamic Art - http://www.vam.ac.uk/content/articles/c/calligraphy-in-islamic-art/ |
| 4    | Feb. 15 | **Homework Due on Ruggles Reading**  
**Lecture:** Umayyads moves West: Spain  
**Reading:** 1) Ansary, Chapter 8 (pp. 117-120, through paragraph 3)  
2) Bloom & Blair, pp. 131-146 (stop after paragraph 1)  
**SPECIAL LECTURE!!!** Syed Hosain @ Noon in Schroeder Hall |
| 5    | Feb. 22 | Research, writing and finding good sources.  
Meet in the library. BRING IDEAS FOR PAPER TOPIC!! |
| 6    | March 1 | **Homework Due on Shaykh San’an Reading**  
**Lecture:** Fatimids of Egypt and Early Iran  
| 7    | March 8 | **Lecture:** Seljuqs and Sultanate India  
**Reading:** 1) Bloom & Blair, pp. 265-271, 146. 53, 2) Ansary, Chapter 8 (pp. 120-132) & Chapter 9 (pp.133-149)  
**Recommended:** Shahnama: 1000 Years of the Persian Book of Kings - http://www.asia.si.edu/explore/shahnama/default.asp |
| 8    | March 15| Midterm |
| 9    | March 22| **SPRING BREAK** |
|      |         | **Unit 2**  
**Regionalism and Islamic Art Part II (ca. 900-1500 CE)** |
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| 10   | March 29   | **Lecture:** Ilkhanids  
**Reading:** 1) Ansary, Chapter 9, pp. 150-158, 2) Bloom & Blair, pp. 162-165, 200-206 |
| 11   | April 5    | **Lecture:** Mamluks and Nasrides  
**Reading:** Bloom & Blair, 174-197, 271-283  
**Recommended:** Walking Tour of the Alhambra -  
http://archive.aramcoworld.com/issue/200604/alhambra/default.htm |
|      |            | **Unit 3**  
Age of Empire (ca. 1500 – 1800 CE)                                                                |
| 12   | April 12   | **PAPER OUTLINE DUE**  
**Homework Due on Ergin Reading**  
**Lecture:** Safavids  
| 13   | April 19   | **Homework Due on Lowry Reading**  
**Lecture:** Mughals  
| 14   | April 26   | **Lecture:** Ottomans  
**Reading:** 1) Ansary, Chapter 10, only pp. 168-183  
| 15   | May 3      | **Paper DUE**  
**Lecture:** Colonialism and the Production of Orientalism  
**Reading:** 1) Bloom & Blair, pp 417-422  
2) Ansary, Chapter 14-15 |
| 16   | May 10     | **Lecture:** Tradition and Modernity in Islamic Art and Architecture  
**Reading:** 1) Ansary, Chapter 16-17, 2) Hassan Uddin-Khan, “An Overview of the Contemporary Mosque” in *The Mosque*, 3) Babaie, “Voices of Authority: Locating the “Modern” in “Islamic” Arts |
| Final| May 17     | **Final:** 8-9:50 AM                                                                                     |

**Instructions for the Research Paper**

**Paper:** A well-written and well-researched paper of approximately 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins) is due on May 3. Late papers will be downgraded. **At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted and cited.** The course texts do NOT count as one of the six sources nor do websites.
Useful Resources available through SSU’s library:

*The Grove Dictionary of Art* – Great place to begin research (contains articles and biblio).

SSU Online Databases:
- Oxford Art Online (formerly Grove Art), JSTOR, and Art Index
- ArtStor – Excellent source of images and basic information

Paper Guidelines:
Your paper should include

1. 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (Not including bibliography, images, or title page)
2. 12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins on top, bottom, left and right
3. An introduction
4. A thesis statement explaining the purpose of the paper or what you will argue
5. Supporting arguments
6. A conclusion – draw conclusions about your topic!
7. Although this paper is on the topic about which you will present, it should NOT be merely a written version of your presentation.
8. Labeled images (this should be at the end of the paper)
9. A bibliography – Check *The Chicago Manual of Style* Info Commons Z253 .U69 1993 (http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html) for correct format. At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted. The course texts do NOT count as one of the six sources. (Note: The Internet may be useful but the information you find there is frequently NOT reliable. If you do use information from the internet, you must include the site. However, internet sources *do not count* towards your book/journal article requirements. Also: WIKIPEDIA is NOT a reliable source.)
10. You must cite your sources, both in the body of the paper (footnotes or parenthetical citations), when relevant, in addition to your bibliography.
11. A hard copy of your paper must be submitted as well as a digital one at TurnItIn on Moodle.

Please note that academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Plagiarism, cheating, and collusion will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. If you are uncertain what constitutes plagiarism, please see me.

General Grading Guidelines for Paper:

A  Excellent work, creative and unique, absence of writing problems
B  Exceeds expectations, thoughtful approach, well written, few typos
C  Meets all requirements, some basic writing problems
D  Falls short of requirements, poor proofreading, mechanical problems
F  Poor in every way (effort, ideas, writing)

Helpful Hints & Writing Tips:

1. If you are having any difficulty with the assignment, see me during my office hours. There is no excuse for confusion. I am available during my office hours and by appointment.
2. Make sure you are analyzing your object, building or issue – not just listing or
3. Proper nouns and adjectives derived from them are capitalized. Examples include: Islam, Muslim, Asia Minor.
4. Avoid the use of contractions in your paper. For example, use do not, instead of don’t or cannot instead of can’t. It’s mean it is and since contractions are to be avoided, do not use it. Its is the possessive form of it. Its as a possessive form never never has an apostrophe.
5. Please avoid using the word being in your paper. Find some other way to say this word. For example, being that…is better stated since. In sentences where you are tempted to use being as a verb, use is or some present form of the verb to be in its place. Do not say: He being small… Instead, write Since he is small….
6. Use a dictionary and proofread your work. Spellcheck can lead to mistakes.

MAKE SURE YOUR PAPER HAS BEEN PROOFREAD!!!!!

Books on Reserve

Islamic Art: The Art of Islamic Spain  
Sonoma State University, Spring 2021  
ArtH 474: 4 units

Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Roberson  
Office Location: Zoom  
Telephone: N/A  
Email: jennifer.roberson@sonoma.edu  
Office Hours: MW 3 – 4:30  
Class Days/Time: TTh, 1-2:50  
Classroom: Zoom

Course Description

Islam is often considered to be a religion and cultural of the Middle East. However, parts of modern Spain and Portugal were ruled by Muslim leaders for over 700 years. This region, known as al-Andalus, produced a rich artistic tradition. This was due in large part to its cultural diversity; it was so culturally layered that the boundaries between supposedly separate cultural groups were often hard to distinguish. For example, Islamic mosques were adorned with Byzantine mosaics and Christian church towers imitated minarets. This course examines the development of Islamic art in al-Andalus from the early 8th century (introduction of Islam to Spain) through the 1492 defeat of the last Muslim ruler in Spain and into the centuries that follow. The primary focus will be on Islamic art but also will include artistic developments in the Christian and Jewish communities during this period. Finally, at the end of the course, a brief examination of the 19th and 20th centuries, including notions of Orientalism and colonialism, will be considered. A special emphasis will be placed on the artistic environment within which the works were created rather than the traditional categories (Islamic, Christian, Jewish) which are generally applied to Medieval Spain.
Course Modality and General Expectations

This is an entirely online course. This course will be delivered entirely online through the learning management system, Canvas. You will use your SSU username and password to log in to the Canvas course.

In Canvas, you will access live lectures via Zoom web-conferencing (TTH, 1-2:50), course materials, resources and assignments. The midterm exam will be March 18 and the final exam will be May 18. Due dates for other assignments will be posted below and in the weekly modules. All student work is submitted/posted online in Canvas.

Questions?

Contact me with questions! I will either respond directly to you or address the question in a lecture or short recorded response.

Goals and Learning Objectives

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to

- identify selected works of art from al-Andalus in terms of style, date and iconography,
- identify unknown works of art from al-Andalus in terms of style and approximate date,
- write essays regarding the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical, religious and cultural context,
- analyze and critique scholarly articles, and
- research and write a paper related to art production in al-Andalus.

Required Text


Available at the SSU Bookstore.

All additional readings for the course are on reserve at the library and available through Moodle, unless otherwise noted. See list of books on reserve at the end of the syllabus. PLEASE DO READINGS BEFORE CLASS.

Course Requirements

It is not necessary that you have had background in Islam or Islamic Art. However, you must do all the readings and participate in the class discussions.
Weekly Modules

Each week we will meet at 1 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays for a combination of lecture and discussion. Also, each week you will have to complete a module. Each module includes assigned readings, posted lectures (which you should watch and take notes on), and other materials such as lists of vocabulary and works of art, and assignments.

Attendance

This class is designed to be synchronous, meaning we will meet in real time every TTH. So, it is important that you attend. I may post supplemental lectures but will not be repeating what we cover when meeting in person. The information covered in lectures is not the same as what will be covered in your textbook, readings or other online sources.

Readings

It is helpful if you complete the readings before class. Below is a schedule of lecture topics and readings which will serve as an outline for the course. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made.

Exams

There will be two exams (March 18 and May 18) during the semester. The exams will consist of essay questions and will be completed outside of class.

Short Writing Assignments

Several of the readings require short writing responses. These assignments will be posted at least one week before they are due so that you have time to complete the readings and analyze them. The kinds of questions you will be asked to consider are: What is the thesis statement? How does the author support their argument? All assignments must be posted in the Canvas page.

Paper

Each student is required to write a 8-10 page paper on a well-researched topic of their choice. More information is posted at the Research Paper Button on the Homepage.

Discussions

Discussion assignments ask you to respond to a question, a work of art, or some other issue relating to the class. Often discussions will include both an Initial Post and a Response Post, and there will be 2 different due dates. When a discussion assignment includes an Initial and Response post, both posts much be completed by their respective due dates to receive full credit.
Grading Policy

There will be two exams (21% each), a research paper (21%), preliminary paper assignments (5%), several short writing assignments (21%), discussion assignments (5%) and class attendance (6%).

Late assignments are accepted but will automatically lose 5% of points per day late.

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D (69-60) represents below-average performance
F (59-below) represents an unacceptable level of performance

Course Schedule

The course schedule is subject to change. Additional readings, assignments, etc may be assigned and will be posted in Canvas. If, for any reason, classes are temporarily suspended (for example, due to a power shut off), I will adjust the schedule. I will email you and update the Canvas page as soon as possible to reflect the changes.

University Policies

There are important University policies that you should be aware of, such as the add/drop policy; cheating and plagiarism policy, grade appeal procedures; accommodations for students with disabilities and the diversity vision statement. - SSU University PoliciesLinks to an external site.

Academic Integrity (Cheating and Plagiarism)

Students should know that the University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available at http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm. Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at Sonoma State University and the University’s policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work.

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified.

If you are unsure what constitutes plagiarism, please contact me.
Title IX

If you experience sexual assault, sexual harassment, or discrimination, it is not your fault. Sonoma State has a Title IX office with links for confidential support, reporting a crime, and a rape crisis hotline (707-545-7273).

DSS

If you are a student with a disability and think you may need academic accommodations, please contact Disability Services for Students (DSS) located in Schulz 1014A. Please contact DSS as early as possible in order to avoid a delay in receiving accommodation services. The use of DSS services, including testing accommodations, requires prior authorization by DSS in compliance with university policies and procedures. See SSU’s policy on Disability Access for Students.

- Phone: (707) 664-2677
- Phone TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958
- DSS Website

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

- Phone: (707) 664-2153
- CAPS Website

SSU Writing Center

The Writing Center helps SSU students, faculty, and staff members (as well as members of the wider community) become better writers and produce better written documents.

Course Schedule (Subject to change)

Additional readings may be assigned and will be announced in class.

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<td><strong>Lecture:</strong> Overview of course, Introduction to Islam and Islamic Art, Arrival of Islam to Iberian Peninsula</td>
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|      |         | **Reading:**  
|      |         | 1. *Arts of Intimacy* (pp. 1-17)  
|      |         | 2. Excerpt from *Islam: A Thousand Years of Faith and Power* (pp. 18-48).  
<p>|      |         | <strong>Recommended:</strong> Imazighen! Beauty and Artisanship in Berber Life <a href="https://www.peabody.harvard.edu/node/2247">https://www.peabody.harvard.edu/node/2247</a> |</p>
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**Reading:**  
|      | Feb. 9 – 11 | **Lecture:** The Umayyad Caliphate – Madinat al-Zahra  
**Reading:**  
1. *Arts of Intimacy* (pp. 17-28)  
**Discussion:**  
| 3    | Feb. 16 – 18 | **Lecture:** The Umayyad Caliphate – Court Arts  
**Reading:**  
| 4    | Feb. 23 – 25 | **Lecture:** The Great Mosque of Cordoba and its contemporaries in the Caliphal Period  
**Reading:**  
1. *Arts of Intimacy* (pp. 113-122)  
[Available through JSTOR]  
**Recommended Reading:**  
Robert Hillenbrand, ““The Ornament of the World’ Medieval Cordoba as a Cultural Centre,” in *The Legacy of Muslim Spain*, 112-128. |
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<td><strong>PRELIMINARY OUTLINE and BIBLIO DUE</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Lecture:</strong> The North African Kingdoms: Almoravids and Almohads&lt;br&gt;<strong>Reading:</strong>&lt;br&gt;1. <em>Arts of Intimacy</em> (pp.122-131)&lt;br&gt;2. Cristina Partearroyo, “Almoravid and Almohad Textiles,” in <em>Al-Andalus: The Art of Islamic Spain</em>, 104-113.</td>
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<td><strong>Lecture:</strong> Muslims and Christians Living under Christian Rule&lt;br&gt;<strong>Reading:</strong>&lt;br&gt;1. <em>Arts of Intimacy</em> (pp. 94-161)&lt;br&gt;2. *D. Fairchild Ruggles, “Representation and Identity in Medieval Spain: Beatus Manuscripts and the Mudejar Churches of Teruel,” in Languages of Power, 77-106. [Moodle only]</td>
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| 13   | April 20 – 22 | WORKING OUTLINE DUE  
Lecture: Granada and the Nasrids  
Reading:  
1. *Arts of Intimacy* (pp. 191-239)  
2. Excerpts from *Tales of the Alhambra* by Washington Irving.  
| 14   | April 27 – 29 | Lecture: Granada and the Nasrids (cont)  
Reading:  
1. *Arts of Intimacy* (pp. 241-263)  
4. Patricia Blessing, “The Vessel as Garden” |
| 15   | May 4 – 6   | PAPERS DUE  
Lecture: 1492 and Beyond  
Reading:  
1. *Arts of Intimacy* (pp. 265-269)  
| 16   | May 11 – 13 | Lecture: Islamic Spain in the 20th and 21st centuries  
Reading:  

**Instructions for the Research Paper**

**Overview**

A research paper is required for this class. The topic is open as long as it is related to the art of Islamic Spain or the Iberian peninsula during the period covered in the course. Below are specific requirements and due dates. Please see me if you have any questions or would like to talk about your topic.
Guidelines

Your paper should include

1. 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (Not including bibliography, images, or title page)
2. 12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins on top, bottom, left and right
3. An introduction
4. A thesis statement explaining the purpose of the paper or what you will argue
5. Supporting arguments
6. A conclusion – draw conclusions about your topic
7. Labeled images at the end of the paper - not imbedded in the text
8. A bibliography – Check this online guide for correct format for most sources: http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html.
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Due Dates

March 11 – Proposed paper topic. (5pts)

Please make an appointment to talk with me about your paper topic ideas.

April 1 - Basic outline with revised/updated paper topic and 3 sources you expect to use. (5pts)

The outline is preliminary but let me know what you are working on and the kinds of questions you are thinking about. Sketch out the organization of your paper. Please do not include encyclopedias, survey texts, or random websites. Sources should be peer reviewed (journal articles or books). If you aren't sure about a source please ask me via email.

April 15 – Expanded bibliography of five sources minimum with annotations. (5pts)

You may include the sources you used for your preliminary bibliography. For each text, give quotations you think you might use in your paper or a summary of/notes on the information you think you might use in your paper with page numbers. Annotations
should represent your research. Please do not include encyclopedias, survey texts, or random websites. If you aren't sure about a source please ask me via email.

April 22 - Working Outline. (5 pts)

Include a working thesis, a brief explanation of each main argument, and a tentative conclusion. I do not want a list of bullet points with no explanations.

May 6 – Final paper due. (100 pts)

The final paper should be 8 – 10 pages of long (not including images, bibliography, title page, etc.). Please use standard 1” margins, Times 12pt font, no extra spaces between paragraphs or citations.

Useful Resources available through SSU’s library

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Other Websites

Archnet.org (Links to an external site.) - An excellent resource than includes information about Islamic architecture, photographs, and full text articles. Some required readings at found at this site.

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7. Check the Chicago Manual of Style (Links to an external site.) or a similar reference book for correct bibliographical style.
8. MAKE SURE YOUR PAPER HAS BEEN PROOFREAD!!!!!
The Age of Empire: Ottomans, Safavids, Mughals
Sonoma State University, Spring 2020, ArtH 474, 3 units

Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Roberson
Office Location: Art 128A
Telephone: (707) 664-2658
Email: jennifer.roberson@sonoma.edu
Office Hours: MW 11:15 – 12, 3:50 – 4:35
Class Days/Time: MW 10 – 11:15
Classroom: Art 102

Course Description
This course will investigate artistic developments under the three most powerful yet individually distinctive Islamic empires of the 16th and 17th centuries: the Ottomans of Turkey, the Safavids of Iran and the Mughals of India. Each dynasty's attitude toward religion, the role of the state and, as a result, individual freedom within the state, will be considered while evaluating the creation of cities, architecture, manuscripts and other arts. A major goal will be to understand the nature of these states and their artistic production on a comparative basis, asking how similarities and differences can be explained.

Course Goals and Student Learning Objectives
Students who successfully complete this course will be able to (1) identify selected Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal works of art in terms of style, date and iconography, (2) write essays regarding the significance of a work of art in terms of its historical, religious and cultural context, (3) analyze and critique scholarly articles, and (4) research and write a paper related to art production during the Age of Empire.

Required Text
Available at: SSU Bookstore and on reserve at the library.
All additional readings for the course are on reserve at the library and available through Canvas, unless otherwise noted. See list of books on reserve at the end of the syllabus. PLEASE DO READINGS BEFORE CLASS.

Classroom Protocol
Attendance: Regular class attendance is imperative. The lectures regularly introduce material not covered in your readings. Furthermore, class participation counts as 3% of your final grade. If you do not attend, you cannot participate. If you are unable to attend class due to an illness, participation in a university-sponsored event, or other serious reason, please contact me as soon as possible. If you miss class, you are still responsible
for the material presented that day. All assignments are due, regardless of whether you attend class or not.

**In-class Electronics Policy:** All electronics (cell phones, iPods, computers, etc) must be turned off and remain off throughout the class. The use of electronics is prohibited during exams and quizzes. If any type of electronic is used, for any reason, during an exam, quiz, or other assignment, a grade of “0” will automatically be assigned, unless prior arrangements have been made with me.

**Course Requirements**

It is not necessary that you have had background in Islam or Islamic Art. However, you must do all the readings and participate in the class discussions.

**Readings:** It is helpful if you complete the readings before class. Below is a schedule of lecture topics and readings which will serve as an outline for the course. As the course proceeds, adjustments to this schedule may be made.

**Exams:** There will be two exams during the semester. The exams will consist of slide IDs (title, date, period), short answers, and essay questions.

**Short writing assignments:** Some of the readings are marked **. This indicates that there is a short writing assignment for this article. The assignments are posted on Canvas. These assignments are intended to prepare you for writing your research paper and MUST BE COMPLETED.

**Cultural Event:** The class will attend NIYAZ PRESENTS “THE FOURTH LIGHT PROJECT” on Feb, 20 @ 7:30 as the GMC. The tickets will be provided for free so you do not need to purchase anything. One week after the performance, a written summary, one page in length, is required in addition to evidence of having attended the event. Note: If you cannot attend, please see me by Feb. 20 for an alternate assignment.

**Paper & Presentation:** Each student is required to give an 8 minute presentation and write a 8-10 page paper on a well-researched topic of his/her choice. The research paper must be original work. Students may not submit papers that have been submitted, in part or in their entirety, to other classes. More details requirements posted below.

**Grading Policy**

There will be a midterm (20%), a final (24%), a paper (25%), a paper presentation (5%), several short writing assignments (20 %), attendance at a cultural event (3%) and class participation (3%).

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Campus Policy on Disability Access for Students

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SSU Writing Center

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**Make sure to bring the paper guidelines when you visit the Writing Center**

Dropping and Adding

Students are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drops, academic renewal, etc. Information on add/drops are available at http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/registration/addclasses.shtml. Students should be aware of the current deadlines and penalties for adding and dropping classes.

Course Schedule (Subject to change)

Additional readings may be assigned and will be announced in class.

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| 2    | Jan. 27-29 | **Lecture**: Introduction to Islam and Islamic Art, Rise of Empires  
| 3    | Feb. 3 – 5 | **Lecture**: Initial Artistic Production  
**Reading**  
|      | Writing    | Assignment Due Feb. 5                                                                 |
| 4    | Feb. 10-12 | **Lecture**: Cities: Mosques and Tombs  
**Reading**: Blair and Bloom, Chapter 13 (183-192), 15 (213-227), 18 (267-278)                                                                                         |
| 5    | Feb. 17-19 | **Lecture**: Cities: Mosques and Tombs  
**Reading**  
|      | Writing    | Assignment Due Feb. 17                                                                 |
|      | Feb. 20    | **SPECIAL EVENT – NIYAZ PRESENTS “THE FOURTH LIGHT PROJECT” @ 7:30 as the GMC. Tickets provided. Written response to event required by Feb. 27. Also, submit evidence that you attended the performance.** |
| 6    | Feb. 24-26 | **PAPER WORKSHOP – BRING IDEAS AND QUESTIONS**  
**Lecture**: Cities: Palaces and Concepts of State  
|      | Writing    | Assignment Due Feb. 26                                                                 |
| 7    | March 2-4  | **PAPER TOPICS DUE (March 2)**  
**Lecture**: Painting Ateliers  
**Reading**: Blair and Bloom, Chapter 12 (165-176), 16 (242-250), 19 (287-296)  
|      | Writing    | Assignment Due March 4                                                                 |
| 8    | March 9-11 | **March 9**: Wrap up  
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**Reading:** Blair and Bloom, Chapter 12 (176-182), 16 (231-242), 19 (296-302)  
| 11   | March 30 - April 1 | **PAPER/PRESENTATION OUTLINE DUE APRIL 1**  
**Lecture:** Women and Art  
**Reading**  
| 12   | April 6 – 8 | **Lecture:** Non-Muslims and art patronage  
**Reading**  
| 13   | April 13 – 15 | **Student Presentations** |
| 14   | April 20 – 22 | **Student Presentations** |
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**Reading:** Blair and Bloom, Chapters 13 (192-198), 15 (227-230), 18 (278-286)  
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**Instructions for the Research Paper and Presentation**

**Presentation:** Each student is required to give an 8 minute presentation on a well-researched topic of his/her choice. The topic, which must be chosen by March 2, may focus on any topic concerning the Ottomans, Safavids or Mughals. An outline of the paper/presentation is due April 1. Failure to hand in an outline will result in the reduction of your final paper grade by 10 pts.

**Paper:** A well-written and well-researched paper of approximately 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins) is due on May 4. All work must be original and may not have been submitted previously to another class. Although this paper is on the topic about which you will present, it should NOT be merely a written version of your presentation. After your presentation, you are expected to continue your research. In addition, you should take into consideration questions that were raised during your presentation and address them. Late papers will be downgraded, as will papers that are merely the written version of the oral presentation.

**Useful Resources available through SSU’s library:**

*The Grove Dictionary of Art* – Great place to begin research (contains articles and biblio).

SSU Online Databases:

Oxford Art Online (formerly Grove Art), JSTOR, and Art Index

ArtStor – Excellent source of images and basic information

**Other Websites:**

Archnet.org – An excellent source for Islamic architecture (images, articles and bibliography). Some required readings at found at this site.

**Paper Guidelines:**

Your paper should include

1. 8-10 double-spaced pages of written text (Not including bibliography, images, or title page)
2. 12 Times New Roman with 1 inch margins on top, bottom, left and right
3. An introduction
4. A thesis statement explaining the purpose of the paper or what you will argue
5. Supporting arguments
6. A conclusion – draw conclusions about your topic!
7. Although this paper is on the topic about which you will present, it should NOT be merely a written version of your presentation.
8. Labeled images (they should be at the end of the paper)
9. A bibliography – Check The Chicago Manual of Style Info Commons Z253 .U69 1993 (http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/home.html) for correct format. At least 6 SCHOLARLY books and/or journal articles must be consulted. The course texts do NOT count as one of the six sources. (Note: The Internet may be useful but the information you find there is frequently NOT reliable. If you do use information from the internet, you must include the site. However, internet sources do not count towards your book/journal article requirements. Also: WIKIPEDIA is NOT a reliable source.)
10. You must cite your sources, both in the body of the paper (footnotes or parenthetical citations), when relevant, in addition to your bibliography.

Please note that academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Plagiarism, cheating, and collusion will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. If you are uncertain what constitutes plagiarism, please see me.

General Grading Guidelines for Paper:
A  Excellent work, creative and unique, absence of writing problems
B  Exceeds expectations, thoughtful approach, well written, few typos
C  Meets all requirements, some basic writing problems
D  Falls short of requirements, poor proofreading, mechanical problems
F  Poor in every way (effort, ideas, writing)

Some Possible Paper Topics (Please see me so we can talk about what interests you):
Analyze a specific work of art (look in your text for ideas)
Examine the “Life” of a manuscript (ie what happened to it after it was created – virtually all have been dismantled)
Impact of Ottoman, Safavid or Mughal art on European art
Comparison of two manuscripts of the same text from different regions or periods
Interaction between the Ottomans, Safavids or Mughals and the rulers of Europe or Asia
Relationship between photography and painting during the late Empire Period
Examine the process of manuscript making
Bihzad and his impact on Safavid and Mughal painting
Non-Muslim art created in the Ottoman, Safavid or Mughal empires (for example, examine a Christian church or a Hindu temple)
Women patrons of art
Examine the rise of colonial powers and the impact on art production

Helpful Hints & Writing Tips:
1. If you are having any difficulty with the assignment, see me during my office hours. There is no excuse for confusion. I am available during my office hours and by appointment.
2. Make sure you are analyzing your object, building or issue – not just listing or
3. A Muslim (or Moslem) [noun] is an adherent of or believer in Islam. Muslim [adjective] is used to define something that relates to the religion, for example, a Muslim society. Islam [noun] is the religion or refers to a cultural system. Islamic [adjective] can be used in much the same way as the adjective, Muslim. If you are unsure about how to use these terms, see me or use a dictionary.

4. Proper nouns and adjectives derived from them are capitalized. Examples include: Islam, Islamic, Muslim, Muhammad, Christian, Christ, Ottoman, Safavid, Mughal.

5. Avoid the use of contractions in your paper. For example, use do not, instead of don’t or cannot instead of can’t. It’s mean it is and since contractions are to be avoided, do not use it. Its is the possessive form of it. Its as a possessive form never never has an apostrophe.

6. Please avoid using the word being in your paper. Find some other way to say this word. For example, being that…is better stated since. In sentences where you are tempted to use being as a verb, use is or some present form of the verb to be in its place. Do not say: He being small… Instead, write Since he is small…

7. Use a dictionary and proofread your work. If you depend on Spellcheck you may have mistakes.


9. MAKE SURE YOUR PAPER HAS BEEN PROOFREAD!!!!!

Books on Reserve

ARTH 490 Proseminar
Fall 2020 - Ch’ien

ARTH 490: Proseminar in Visual Art & Culture
Dr. Letha Ch’ien
chienl@sonoma.edu
Office Hours by appointment
Wednesdays 1:00 - 4:40 pm

Course Description
This course offers the opportunity for critical reflection on the discipline art historian Donald Preziosi has called “the coy science” and the opportunity to produce a major piece of research writing on a subject of your choice. Each week we examine ways to think about visual culture and art, subjects and methodologies that have been the sites of major critical inquiries. Subjects include style, time, space, race, eco art history, the copy, disability, queer studies, global art history, and museum studies. Readings have been chosen to reference the accumulation of art historiography in order to provide context and intellectual lineage while supplying a ready bibliography for your further self-directed study.

This course has been designated as a WIC (Writing Intensive Curriculum) course for Fall 2020. This means the course is designed to help you develop writing abilities at an advanced level. You will write a lot, but fear not! You will receive substantive and direct instruction during the writing process. Through using writing to generate and think through ideas, writing and revising drafts, giving and receiving feedback on your writing, editing, and revising yet again, you will develop as a writer who can address a variety of contexts and discover how writing is an integral part of learning course content.

This course satisfies the university writing requirement (GWAR). Students of at least junior standing must pass with a C- or better to qualify for the WEPT equivalency. “Cr” in a Cr/Nc option is an approved course grade as well. As a WIC, ARTH 490 can serve as a “WEPT equivalent.” This means that, if passed with a C- or better, the course will exempt you from the need to take the WEPT.

Should we experience a major disruption during the semester, due dates and other requirements will be adjusted. I will communicate with you via email.

Course Goals
• Explore and analyze different approaches and methodologies used to study visual culture
• Reflect on art history as a discipline
• Develop writing skills including editing, revision, and critique
• Hone research and argument skills to produce an original substantial piece of writing

Technology Requirements
• internet access with voice & video for Zoom Wednesdays 1:00 - 4:40pm
• a computer or laptop (a tablet or phone isn't going to work)
Course Requirements

- Attendance & Participation 12/04 15%
  ** Prepare one to two substantive questions to discuss with your peers for each assigned reading for each class meeting **
- Paper Topic Proposal 1pg. 09/02 5%
- Proposal Response 1-2 pg. 09/09 5%
- Initial Bibliography 1 pg. 09/16 5%
- Annotated Bibliography pg. 6-8 pg. 10/07 15% OCTOBER 14
- Individual Meeting 10/12-10/20 5%
- Paper Draft 10pg. min 11/04 15%
  Distribute Draft to Partner
- Peer Comments on Draft 1-2pg. 11/18 10% NOVEMBER 24
- Paper Revision Due 10pg. min, 10-20pg. 12/09 25%

All work must cite sources appropriately using Chicago style citation guidelines. Failure to credit others' ideas and research is plagiarism and will result in a failing grade in the course. Plagiarism will be reported to the Office of Student Judicial Affairs. If you have questions regarding citation, please come and talk to me *before* the assignment is due. Significant grammar, citation, and/or spelling errors will result in an automatic 1/3 grade reduction e.g. an A becomes an A-.

Grading:
Grades signify as follows:

A = Excellent  B = Good
C = Average    D = Inadequate   F = Failing

If you believe you have received a grade in error, you may submit a request for review. Each request needs to be accompanied by a one-page essay explaining why you believe the original grade to be in error and citing evidence for your argument. Tardy papers will be penalized a full letter grade each day it is late – n.b. the end of lecture is late.
*Extensions must be requested in advance of the due date.*

Community
This class is a type of community. We will be learning and working together over the course of the semester. It is important that we develop healthy collaboration skills to facilitate this. Please contribute to your group in the spirit of collaboration. Keep in mind that everybody is human and probably dealing with a lot right now. Let's approach each other with patience.

I ask that we be respectful of each other and the diverse perspectives of all class members. Please use inclusive language in group work, on discussion boards, and in submitted work in order to facilitate a healthy productive learning environment for everybody. If you experience discrimination or an MIA group member, please let me know so we can address the problem.
Please do not take screenshots of people without their consent.

University Policies: Adds, Drops, Accommodations
Students are responsible for understanding add/drop policies and procedures. Registration information is available at http://web.sonoma.edu/registration/
Add/Drop policy information is available at http://web.sonoma.edu/exed/geninfo/drop-refunds

FAQs
• The library is great! It can be accessed online http://library.sonoma.edu. I highly recommend contacting Mary Wegmann, our arts librarian for research help. You can begin with something as unformed as “I don’t know where to begin.” Mary.Wegmann@sonoma.edu.
• Counseling and Psychological Services (707-664-2153) http://web.sonoma.edu/counselingctr/
• If you need accommodations, please contact Disability Services http://web.sonoma.edu/dss/ and let me know so we can work together. (707-664-2677. TTY/TDD: 707-664-2958.
• The SSU Writing Center offers writing help of all types. You can make appointments for individual tutoring covering punctuation, citation formats, and even form a writing group. http://web.sonoma.edu/writingcenter/
• You may call me Dr. Ch’ien or Prof. Ch’ien and my pronouns are she/hers. If I make a mistake with your pronouns or name pronunciation, please let me know.
• If you experience sexual assault, sexual harassment, or discrimination, it is not your fault. Sonoma State has a Title IX office https://web.sonoma.edu/hr/titleix/ with links for confidential support, reporting a crime, and a rape crisis hotline (707-545-7273)
• If you need to attend to childcare during class, please let me know so we can work on accommodation.
• When sending me an email, please identify the class and introduce your question, topic, issue, etc. I receive a lot of email and the information helps me respond.

Class Schedule
Subject to Change.
Readings can be found on Canvas both under "Modules" and “Files”

Week One
8/19 Looking at Art History and Visual Culture
Reading: • Michael Baxandall, Patterns of Intention, (1985) pp 1-11

Week One, Part II 8/26
** Assignment: bring a potential paper topic to class along with 2-3 images associated with your proposal (and even some potential research sources) ready to share with the class. ** Turn it in on the "Collaboration" Initial Paper Topic Proposal Sandbox

** Week Two **
09/02 Style and Formalism
Reading: • Svetlana Alpers, "Style is What you Make it: The Visual Arts Once Again" in Theory of Style edited by Berel Lang (1979): 95-117
Assignment: ** Paper Topic Proposal Due **
Match with a writing partner

** Week Three **
09/09 Library Day with Mary Wegmann
Assignment: ** Proposal Response Due **

** Week Four **
09/16 Space
Reading: • Michel de Certeau, Spatial Stories in The Production of Everyday Life (1980) 115-131
Assignment: ** Initial Bibliography Due**
Art History Babes Visit 3pm!

** Week Five **
09/23 Time
• Alexander Nagel and Christopher S. Wood, Anachronic Renaissance (2010)
  I: Plural Temporality in the Work of Art pp 7-21
  XIII: Antiquity of Buildings Overrated pp. 135-146

** Week Six **
09/30 The Image, Reproduction, and Copy
Dr. Saira Haqqi 1pm

** Week Seven **
10/07 Eco Art History
Assignment: **Annotated Bibliography Due**
Schedule a meeting time with your professor 10/12-10/20
Week Eight
10/14 Disability Studies
*Schedule a meeting time with your professor 10/12-10/20
2:30 Dr. Alexandra Courtois*

Week Nine
10/21 Individual Meetings
Due Individual Meeting 10/12-10/20

Week Ten
10/28 Queer Studies
In-Class: Discuss Writing Process
Assignment: Work on paper draft

Week Eleven
11/04 Political and Economic Analysis
Assignment: **Paper Draft Due**
*Remember to distribute a copy to your writing partner*

Week Twelve
11/11 Veterans Day
NO CLASS

Week Thirteen
11/18 The Intersection of Race and Authenticity
In-Class: Discuss Article Drafts
** Peer Comments Due **
*Dr. Mira Assaf Kafantaris*

Week Fourteen
11/25 Thanksgiving
NO CLASS
Week Fifteen
12/02 Museum Studies
• https://hyperallergic.com/131687/i-am-joe-scanlan/

Finals Week
Assignment: **Paper Revision Due** December 9, 2020 3:00pm (aka when our final exam would have finished if we had a final exam)
General Course Information
Seminar in Visual Art and Culture

Jennifer Shaw  jennifer.shaw@sonoma.edu/Art 104/OH Wed 11-1:30 and by appointment
AH 490H

Research Seminar in Visual Art and Culture

A seminar concentrating on the discipline and philosophy of art and visual culture studies in which students produce an original research paper. Emphasis on research techniques, writing strategies and appropriate research technology. Readings designed to stress the variety of relevant approaches possible to a given problem. Class meetings will include: discussions of theoretical and methodological texts and issues, weekly "check-ins" about paper topics and discussion of each student's progress, peer brainstorming on topics and research, peer paper exchange and editing, formal presentations of paper topics, guest speakers, lectures on methodological issues.

In this class students will:
1. Be exposed to a variety of theoretical approaches to art and visual culture through readings and guest presentations by those in various fields of art history.
2. Learn a variety of research techniques and approaches.
3. Practice and perfect oral presentations using presentation media.
4. Participate in peer review of presentations and papers and learn editing skills.
5. Work throughout the semester on a long research paper to be presented in polished form at the end of the class.

THIS COURSE FULFILLS THE WIC REQUIREMENT

Grading Criteria:
15% Short Papers Assignments--Primary Source, Secondary Source, Intro and Thesis, Detailed Bibliography, etc.
10% Written Reading Responses
10% Oral Presentations/ Participation in class discussion
10% Peer Critique and Editing
15% Rough Draft--15 pages minimum
10% Final Paper Presentations--15 minutes, conference paper format.
30% Final Paper--15 pages minimum (longer is ok)--Please turn your paper in to Turn it in--see link in last week of class. Hard copy must also be turned in to my mailbox in the art office. If you have many illustrations and are having trouble uploading you may post your turn-it-in version of the paper without them. Illustrations MUST be included in hard copy.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:
2 unexcused absences--overall grade drops 1/2 grade (ie A to A-)
3 unexcused absences--overall grade drops 1 full grade (ie A to B)
4 unexcused absences--overall grade drops 1.5 grade (ie A to B-)

Required Texts:  PLEASE ALWAYS BRING TEXTS TO CLASS!!!!
Writing Intensive Curriculum Course

This course has been designated as a WIC (Writing Intensive Curriculum) course for Fall Semester 2019. This means that the course is specifically and especially designed to help you develop writing abilities at the advanced level. You will be doing a lot of writing in the class and receiving substantive and direct instruction during your writing process (e.g., using writing to generate and think through ideas, writing and revising drafts, giving and receiving feedback on writing, editing, etc.). Writing assignments will be carefully crafted to support your ability to engage as a writer in a variety of contexts: civic, disciplinary, professional. Writing will also support your learning of the academic class content.

This course serves as a “WEPT equivalent.” This means that, if passed with a C- or better, the course will exempt you from needing to take the WEPT. IMPORTANT NOTE: to receive WEPT / GWAR certification via taking this course, you need to have achieved junior or higher status at the time you registered for the course. The Graduate Written Assessment Requirement (the CSU requirement that most SSU students meet by passing the WEPT) stipulates that writing proficiency must be assessed in the upper division. Students may certainly take and pass various WIC courses prior to upper division, but those courses will not count for GWAR certification.

If you have achieved junior or higher status, and if you pass this course with a grade of C- or better, your GWAR proficiency will be automatically registered via a certification process in the Common Management System a few weeks after the term is completed.

SSU Writing Center

The SSU Writing Center, located in the new Learning and Academic Resource Center in 1103 Schulz, is available to provide tutoring support as you work on the writing for this course. The Center is open during regular business hours each weekday. To work with a tutor, you should definitely make an appointment—call the Center at 664-4401. Students who visit the Center regularly not only turn in stronger papers but also learn how to work well with others on their writing, a skill which will be essential in professional life.

Notice Regarding Possible Use of Your Work in Institutional Assessment
The WIC initiative offers an opportunity for SSU to examine practices of teaching and learning, with the aim solely of improving educational offerings. It is possible that your writing may be collected and examined for these purposes. Your work will never be used as a means of evaluating you personally, as any student writing that is assessed will be read anonymously. Likewise, your specific course will not be a subject of assessment; rather, these efforts will be aimed at understanding and assessing the WIC initiative as a whole. Thanks for your help in this vital work.

**Schedule of class meetings:**

Week One:
Introductions—Each student must bring in ideas for three possible final papers for an informal roundtable that will allow us all to learn about each other’s interests.
*Post images to Topic Discussion Board on the Canvas site.*

Week Two:
WHAT IS THEORY?
FORMULATING YOUR RESEARCH QUESTIONS AND PROBLEM
INTRO TO BIBLIOGRAPHY RESEARCH--USING LIBRARY, ONLINE SOURCES, FOOTNOTE AND BIBLIOGRAPHY PROGRAMS

Reading:
The Theory Toolbox, Ch 1-3

The Craft of Research--skim Part I, Read carefully Chapter's 3 and 4 (ASSIGNMENT RELATED TO THIS MATERIAL DUE NEXT WEEK)

**Due This Week:**
1) Theory Toolbox Reading Response
2) One page summary topic choice
3) Informal presentation of topic choice with images

Theory Toolbox 
Chapter One
What is the difference between a "theoretical question" and an opinion? The authors argue that we "need" theory. Why do they think this? Try to give examples for each of these questions.

Chapter Two
What is an "author" and how is "the author" different from "the person who wrote this"? What does Foucault mean by the "author-function"? On page 18 a distinction is drawn between "what" a text means and "how" it produces meanings". Explain why this is important and try to
think of an example. What is meant by the "death of the author"?
Chapter Three
Why does it make no sense for meaning to be "simply shifted from what the author thinks to what the reader thinks"? (p23) How can interpretation be limited? What is the significance of "context"?

Week Three:
SUBJECTIVITY AND CULTURE
FINDING SOURCES--ANALYZING PRIMARY SOURCES
BRING A LAPTOP OR TABLET TO CLASS SO WE CAN WORK ON BIBLIOGRAPHY TOGETHER
Due This Week: Craft of Research 3.3 Writing Assignment
(3 pages minimum) Look at section 3.3 of The Craft of Research.
1) Ask and try to answer all of the questions posed in this section in reference to your topic. Include your questions and answers in this paper. Make sure to note sources and page numbers. Transcribe relevant quotations from your research that are related to these questions and answers.
2) Next write a new paper proposal based on what you found out when asking and answering these questions. Turn in all of this work plus a bibliography to turn in below.

Reading:
The Theory Toolbox, Ch 4-5

The Craft of Research, Chapters 5, 6 (ASSIGNMENT RELATED TO THIS MATERIAL DUE NEXT WEEK)

Week Four:
DIFFERENCES
ANALYZING PRIMARY SOURCES
Due This Week:
1) Theory Toolbox Reading Response
2) Primary Source Writing Assignment
3) Annotated Bibliography 3 sources

Reading:
TT Ch 9 Differences

T.J. Clark, excerpt from The Painting of Modern Life (link below)

PRIMARY SOURCE WRITING ASSIGNMENT DUE TODAY
(2-3 pages double spaced) Look back at questions in Booth Chapters 5 and 6. Look at the TJ Clark excerpt and choose one place where he has used a primary source. Try to articulate what he has done in his analysis--looked at rhetoric, linked to historical circumstances, teased out hidden meanings, supported a claim etc--and explain in detail. Now, choose a primary source
document you have found in your researches. Think about what role it might play in your paper and write an analysis of it. Your should think of this assignment as a portion of your final paper. If done correctly you will be able to insert it at an appropriate place in the rough draft. This paper should have: 1) a statement about the original context of the argument--who wrote it? what was its purpose? who was its imagined audience? 2) an introduction to its significance to your topic 3) a detailed analysis of the primary source with specific passages picked out and rhetoric analyzed 4) a concluding statement about the connection of this primary source to the imagined overall argument of your paper 5) a thorough bibliography of the source as well as footnotes for each quotation from it.

Week Five:
IDEOLOGY, HISTORY, SPACE, TIME

Due This Week:
1) Theory Toolbox Reading Response
2) Secondary Source Writing Assignment
3) Annotated Bibliography Three more Sources

USING SOURCES 2

Reading: Theory Toolbox, Ch 6-8

Booth, Chapter 6

THEORY TOOLBOX WORKSHEET:

CHAPTER 6

What is Ideology? Find a passage that sums it up and bring to class.

Explain the discussion of “material conditions” and the “production of knowledge” in relation to “ideology” (p. 95-6)

What do the authors mean when they say there is “no simple escape from ideology” on p. 101? How does this relate to your topic?

CHAPTER 7

Pick two passages that seem to exemplify the main points the authors want to make about “history”

On page 118 the authors describe what they see as the job of historians. Explain and try to relate this to your topic. This gets at the question of WHY your topic is important to you.

CHAPTER 8

Pick one particularly important passage about Space and one about Time and bring to class.

SECONDARY SOURCE WRITING ASSIGNMENT 2 pages minimum
Choose a secondary source document you have found in your researches. Think about what role it might play in your paper and write an analysis of it. Your should think of this assignment as a portion of your final paper. If done correctly you will be able to insert it at an appropriate place in the rough draft.

Your paper should have: 1) a statement about the original context of the argument—who wrote it? what was its purpose? who was its imagined audience? Is it in dialogue with other secondary sources? If so how? 2) an introduction to its significance to your topic 3) a detailed analysis of the significant elements of the source with specific passages picked out and rhetoric analyzed 4) a concluding statement about the connection of this primary source to the imagined overall argument of your paper 5) a thorough bibliography of the source as well as footnotes for each quotation from it.

Pay attention to Craft of Research 6.6.2 "When to quote, paraphrase, summarize."

Week Six:
POSTS
JUST WRITE!!

Due This Week:
1) Reading response
2) 2-4 pages of your paper
3) Unexamined Assumptions Assignment
4) Annotated Bibliography Three Mores Sources

Reading: TT Ch 9 "Posts"—Reading Response Due Today

"Post-structuralism Explained with Hipster Beards (Links to an external site.)"(read parts one and two, click on title for link)

Write part of your paper. You don't have to start at the beginning. You can do visual analysis of a work you will discuss, write about a source, recount necessary background, whatever you want but it must be a POTENTIAL PART OF YOUR PAPER not an explanation to me of what you think you want to do. JUST DO IT!

Unexamined Assumptions Assignment:

In class last week we talked about how often what appears most "natural" is actually profoundly ideological. For example, until relatively recently people didn't question the idea that women's primary role was to be mothers and housewives but this idea had profound consequences for the kinds of opportunity available to them.

Can you find any unexamined assumptions in the current literature on your topic? Often the ideas that everyone takes for granted can point us to original research topics. If we don't make those same assumptions, what different questions would we ask?

Alternatively (and this is easier with historical topics) what are the unexamined assumptions in the cultural context you are looking at?
Write a paragraph or two about this.

**Week Seven:**
AGENCY
ORGANIZING YOUR ARGUMENT

**Due This Week:**
1) Theory Toolbox Reading Response
2) 2-4 more pages of your paper
3) Full Annotated Bibliography

Bring in a good quality image of one of the works you will discuss in your paper either as a printout, in a book or on your computer. You will be working individually with this image in class today.

**Reading:**
Theory Toolbox: "Agency"

What do the authors mean on p. 257 when they say "our agency is both constrained and enabled by the contexts in which we find ourselves"? Can you give an example from your own life? An example from your topic?

How do they define "power" and "authority"? What is the difference between them? What is their relation to context?

Booth, Chapter 10,12

**Start working on your detailed outline as you write your pages.**

**Week Eight:**
FIRST OUTLINE AND PEER CRITIQUES

**Due This Week**
1) Preliminary Outline
2) 2-4 more pages

**Week Nine:**
WRITING YOUR FIRST DRAFT

PEER CRITIQUES
Reading: Booth, Chapter 13

Due This Week:

Ten pages of your paper

Week Ten: Full Outlines

Due this week:

Detailed Outline—print and bring to class for Peer critique

Week Eleven: Revised full outline—one on ones with Shaw

Due this week:

Revised full detailed outline—Print and bring to one on one

Week Twelve:

Short Preliminary Presentations

Week Thirteen:
Due This Week:
1) Full (Not Rough) Draft

Week Fourteen:
Formal Presentations

Week Fifteen: Formal Presentations

Theory Toolbox Reading Response Assignment

Each week you will write a response to the assigned reading--Theory Toolbox. Rather than writing a summary of the texts you have read, I would like you to think about how the approaches discussed in those texts might help you rethink the topic you intend to write about for your final paper. Your discussion should be detailed enough to suggest that you are moving
forward in your thinking about your topic. The paper should include: 1. A detailed discussion of what you take to be the most relevant portions of text/ideas you read this week including page references and quotations. 2. Thoughts about how these might enlighten your own research/thinking about your topic. (Relate to similar "Working questions" posed within the text if you have trouble with this.) 3. Examples of directions you might go in your research as a result of this thinking. (2 double spaced pages minimum) PAPERS ARE DUE BEFORE CLASS ON TURN IT IN. YOU MAY BE ASKED TO DISCUSS YOURS IN CLASS SO CONSIDER BRINGING A HARD COPY TO CLASS TO FACILITATE YOUR DISCUSSION.

FULL ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY ASSIGNMENT:

This annotated bibliography should have at least 12 sources that are directly related to your paper. It must include peer reviewed scholarly papers/articles, peer reviewed books. At least half of your sources must be peer reviewed. For peer reviewed books look for publishers from university presses. Routledge and Reaktion Books also peer review. There are also some presses in Europe that publish peer reviewed books in English. If you are not sure if something is peer reviewed, please feel free to send the source to me and I can help.

Remember, annotations should be detailed enough to help you write your paper. Do not annotate just for the sake of annotating. Find ideas, quotes, etc that will directly feed into your paper. Make sure to note page numbers.

DETAILED OUTLINE ASSIGNMENT

Jennifer Shaw
ART HISTORY 490: PROSEMINAR
DETAILED OUTLINE ASSIGNMENT

Your outline should include

1. Preliminary Thesis
2. Introduction
   a. What materials will you include in your introduction (will you start with a sample image and raise questions about it? If so what image and what questions
3. Topics: A sentence describing each section and how it will connect to your thesis
   a. Subtopics—each subtopic will describe a paragraph/group of paragraphs in this section—how does it support the idea of this section?
      i. What materials will you use for this subtopic? –Make sure to give sources and page numbers for each material cited. 
         1. Quotations (include them with page numbers)
         2. Factual information?
3. Arguments made by other historians/critics/art historians? (do you agree or disagree?)
4. A bibliography constructed using Zotero, Endnote Web or another bibliographic application. 10 legitimate sources minimum.

- THIS OUTLINE IS MEANT TO HELP YOU ORGANIZE THE MATERIALS YOU HAVE GATHERED.
- YOU WILL NOT BE HELD TO IT—YOUR PAPER CAN AND SHOULD CHANGE AS YOU WRITE—BUT YOU SHOULD MAKE IT AS THOROUGH AND FLESHED OUT AS POSSIBLE
- IF YOU HAVE A TOPIC/SUBTOPIC AND REALIZE THAT YOU NEED TO FIND MORE SOURCES INDICATE IT IN THE OUTLINE
- IT IS FINE TO INDICATE QUESTIONS/PROBLEMS YOU ARE HAVING IN THE OUTLINE SO I CAN TRY TO HELP YOU WITH THEM.

GRADING CRITERIA
1. Thoroughness and detail—50%
2. Quality and number of sources—20%
3. Quality of the argument—10%
4. Correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, etc. –10%
5. Thorough references to sources—10%

FORMAL PRESENTATION GUIDELINES

You should have a powerpoint. Please bring it on a flashdrive so it is quicker to set it up.

Powerpoint should consist of:

- Title page with your paper title and your name
- Images necessary to make your argument--works of art, maps which give location of sites or works (ie where is a building located, chart showing location of windows in church, paintings in a cycle etc.), floor plans of architecture, etc
- Each image should have a caption under it identifying artist, title, date, location, or other relevant information (choose the information as it is relevant to your image--some might not have artists, you don't need to give location for a painting in a museum, but a work of architecture would need location--etc. ) Use common sense to determine which information is relevant to the image.
- Powerpoint slides should not present your text--you will do this orally. No slides with bulletpoints or bibliography.
- Text slides are useful if you are quoting a long section of a text (such as a poem or primary source) which you will then analyze. Include the text only if it will help your audience follow your analysis.

PRACTICE GIVING/READING YOUR TALK WITH YOUR PPT SLIDES TO MAKE SURE IT ALL WORKS TOGETHER.
FINAL PAPER GUIDELINES AND WRITING TIPS

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR PAPERS

For further clarification, consult either Kate L. Turabian, *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations* (a simplified version based on the Chicago Manual of Style) or the Modern Language Association (MLA) style guides. Choose one format (Turabian or MLA) and use it consistently. Use of the Turabian style is encouraged.

FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

1. **Paper**: The standard is 8 ½ x 11 inches.
2. **Margins**: No less than one inch on all four edges, unless you are binding your paper, in which case you may wish to leave a 1 ½ inch margin on the left.
3. **Typeface**: The text should be easily legible in a serif font (e.g., Times New Roman or Palatino), between eleven- and twelve-point type for the main body of the paper and ten-point type for footnotes.
4. **Spacing**: Double-space all text in the main body of the paper, except for: block quotations, table titles and figure captions, front matter, footnotes or endnotes, and bibliographies or reference lists.
5. **Pagination**: Front matter (e.g., table of contents, list of illustrations, etc.) is numbered in lower case roman numerals (e.g., i, ii, iii, etc.). The rest of the pages (including back matter) are numbered with arabic numerals (e.g., 1, 2, 3, etc.). The standard placement of said numerals is centered in the footer.
6. **Length**: When a professor gives the directive for a paper “ten pages” in length, he or she is expecting ten pages of **substantive text**, not including front matter, back matter or illustrations.

CONTENT

1. **Quality**: The paper must be perfected to the best of the student’s ability. Since every word processing program has built-in spelling and grammar checks, there is no excuse for spelling or grammatical errors. Equal attention should be given to proper punctuation and capitalization, and elimination of run-on sentences and colloquial language.
2. **Clarity**: The thesis must be concise and evident, ideally located in the introduction of your paper. The main body of your paper should serve to clearly illustrate and persuasively argue your thesis.
3. **Organization**: The structure of the paper should be logical and easy to follow. All similar concepts should be grouped together.
4. **Transitions:** Make use of transitional sentences to gently lead the reader from one idea to the next.

5. **Sources (for research papers):**
   a. **Quantity:** As a general rule of thumb, there should be one or two sources per double-spaced page of text (i.e., a ten-page paper should have between ten and twenty sources). The majority of these sources should be current books and journal articles. While at least one journal article is compulsory, it is suggested that 20% or more of your total resources be journal articles.
   b. **Quality:** General art historical reference books (e.g., Gardner’s *Art Through the Ages* or Jason’s *History of Art*) are not considered sources of adequate scholarly depth for research papers. If you make use of websites, be sure that they are critical and reliable. You must document them according to the Turabian or MLA style, including the URL. Websites should be infrequent in your list of sources (e.g., not more than 10% of your total resources).

6. **References:** Facts, quotes and non-original ideas (even paraphrased ideas) should be referenced with a footnote or endnote and listed in the bibliography. Footnotes and endnotes should be used for more than just references; they are places for dialogs with the reader on related but perhaps slightly tangential information and the like.

**Writing Tips**

1. Use clear *concise* language. Excessive use of prepositions or "big" words does not make an argument sound smarter.
2. *Read your paper out loud.* This will help you streamline your language. Ask yourself whether it sounds clear and concise.
3. Avoid vague generalizations about quality. The question you are asking is not whether a work is good or bad, but what the work is *saying* (what questions it asks, what issues it raises.)
4. Your paper should be about the *meaning* of the work. If you think the work is compelling, say *why.* Any claims that it is "unique", "intriguing" etc. should be eliminated unless they are qualified by a very detailed explanation. (Example: "This painting is unique."--too general on its own. "It is the only work in the series to use the color green." (ok because now unique is attached to a very specific circumstance)
5. Avoid passive sentence structure. Sometimes passive sentences are necessary, but often they make you writing wordy and weak. Example: "There are harmonious elements, each working together to create a whole." (passive) vs "Harmonious elements work together to create a whole." (active)
6. Avoid designating the work with the term "piece". Piece is used orally when referring to a work that you are looking at in a gallery/studio setting. It is not appropriate for art history papers. (ie. "This piece was created by Puvis de Chavannes.) Instead: painting/sculpture/drawing etc. If you need to be general or want to avoid repetition, use 'work' not 'piece': "This work was painted by Puvis de Chavannes/Puvis de Chavannes completed this painting in 1892. . .etc)
7. Make sure your argument has a logical structure. Look at each paragraph. Are all the sentences included working to put forth and support the same general claim? Does the claim in each paragraph follow logically from the paragraph above? Does the first sentence of your paragraph help your reader to make the transition from the ideas in the preceding paragraph? Remember: Your writing needs to lead your reader through your argument from point to point.

8. Whenever you make a general claim, back it up with visual evidence or evidence from one of your textual/contextual sources.

9. For every bit of evidence you introduce, ask yourself how it contributes to proving your thesis. Be sure that you are explicit about why that element of evidence has been introduced and how it connects to your thesis.

10. Make sure that all sources are sufficiently referenced with footnotes. (See Sayre)

11. Look at the criteria for grading in your handout readings and ask yourself what grade you think you deserve. Continue to work on your paper until it has fulfilled the criteria for an "A" paper!
SYLLABUS

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Office: Art Building, Room 106  
Office phone: (707) 664-2720  
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course will provide students with an overview of management within arts institutions and the important role those institutions play within society. Material covered will range from theoretical ideas and concepts being discussed within the field to practical information about the structure of nonprofit organizations, including: the board and staff; personnel and human resources; fundraising; financial management; marketing; short- and long-range planning; and the growing use of technology (particularly social media) in arts organizations. The class will primarily focus on nonprofit visual arts institutions, such as museums, university and community galleries, and municipal arts organizations, but much of the material can applied to other nonprofit institutions.

The structure of the course will consist of weekly lectures and discussions based on the reading assignments and other selected topics (see Class Meetings and Reading Assignments). Guest speakers will be a part of the curriculum, and several class meetings will be scheduled at off-campus locations. Class participation and discussion—based in part on the reading assignments—is integral to this course.

In addition to assigned readings and discussion, the class will undertake a semester-long project with a local arts organization. This project will result in a final report and presentation and will be a significant part of the semester grade. Details to be announced.

COURSE GOALS AND LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

The goal of this course is to provide students with a context for understanding the management of arts institutions (and other nonprofit organizations) and the role of those institutions within society. It is hoped that by the completion of this course, participating students will gain not only an understanding of basic management principles in the arts,
but insight into the issues and challenges currently faced by arts professionals.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:


CLASSROOM PROTOCOL:

- Please keep all cell phones, iPods, and any other electronic devices not related to note taking turned off or on silent while in class. Texting during class is discouraged.
- Please be punctual. I try and start class as close to 1:00 p.m. as possible so we can finish on time. Arriving late is distracting to the class and not helpful to you.
- If you know in advance you will be unable to attend class—or will be late—please contact me by e-mail or phone and let me know.
- Please check your SSU e-mail regularly. This is the best way for me to contact the entire class when necessary and to keep you informed about changes to the class schedule.
- Questions and class discussion are encouraged. This class is designed as a seminar, so regular discussion between students and the professor, as well as just between students, is important.
- I encourage you to make use of my office hours if you have questions about the content of the class or issues you’d like to discuss. Please see me during office hours or contact me by phone or e-mail to make an appointment. I’m also happy to answer questions via e-mail.

DROPPING AND ADDING:

You are responsible for understanding the policies and procedures about add/drops, academic renewal, etc. Information on add/drops is available at [http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/registration/addclasses.shtml](http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/registration/addclasses.shtml). You can also find information about deadlines for adding and dropping classes at [http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/calendars/index.shtml](http://www.sonoma.edu/ar/calendars/index.shtml).

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING POLICY:

There will be two grading opportunities during the course of the semester: one take home exam and participation in the semester project, which includes a final report. The exam and report dates are stated on the Syllabus under “Class Meetings and Reading Assignments” below. Participation and attendance are important, and more than three unexcused absences will adversely affect your semester grade.
Grading: Attendance and Participation 35%
Mid-term 30%
Class Project/Final Report 35%

Academic integrity

You should know that the University’s Cheating and Plagiarism Policy is available at http://www.sonoma.edu/UAffairs/policies/cheating_plagiarism.htm. Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at Sonoma State University and the University’s policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work.

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person’s ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, the midterms are to be completed by the individual student, but the semester project will be a collaborative process.

DISABILITY STATEMENT:

If you are a student with a disability and you think you may require accommodations, please register with the campus office of Disability Services for Students (DSS), located in Salazar Hall - Room 1049, Phone: (707) 664-2677, TTY/TDD: (707) 664-2958. DSS will provide you with written confirmation of your verified disability and authorize recommended accommodations. This authorization must be presented to the instructor before any accommodations can be made. The policy can be found at http://www.sonoma.edu/uaffairs/policies/disabilitypolicy.htm

CLASS MEETINGS (subject to change as needed) (concurrent reading assignments posted on Moodle page):

Aug. 23 Introduction, Requirements, Course Objectives

Aug. 30 An Overview of Museum and Nonprofit Management
Reading: The Manual of Museum Management, Chapter 1: WHY: The Objectives of Museum Management
Reading: Managing a Nonprofit Organization in the Twenty-First Century, Chapter 1: Understanding Nonprofit Organizations

Sept. 6 Field trip to Creative Sonoma (Santa Rosa)
Discussion of Semester Project with Kristen Madsen, Director, and Samantha Kimpel, Program Officer, Creative Sonoma
Reading: Creative Sonoma website

Sept. 13 Working Together: Museum Boards and Staff
Reading: *The Manual of Museum Management*, Chapter 2: WHO: The Structure of Museum Organization, 2.1: Modes of Governance and 2.2: The Board; and 2.3: Museum Staff
Discussion of Creative Sonoma Project

**Sept. 20**
The Art of Development: Fund Raising and Grant Writing for the Arts
Guest Speaker: Adriene Rockwell, Development Consultant
Reading: *Managing a Nonprofit Organization in the Twenty-First Century*, Chapter 8: Fund Raising
Discussion of Creative Sonoma Project

**Sept. 27**
Financial Management in the Arts
Work on Creative Sonoma Project: Class Visit by Kristen Madsen and Samantha Kimpel from Creative Sonoma

**Oct. 4**
Getting the Word Out: Marketing and Public Relations in the Arts
Guest Speaker: David Wells, Sonoma Valley Visitors Bureau
Reading: *Managing a Nonprofit Organization in the Twenty-First Century*, Chapter 5: Marketing

**Oct. 11**
Thinking Ahead: The Importance of Planning in Arts Management
Reading: *Managing a Nonprofit Organization in the Twenty-First Century*, Chapter 9: Planning
Online Exam Opens (due Oct. 25)

**Oct. 18**
The City as Patron: The Role of the Government Programs in Arts Management
Field trip to Santa Rosa Recreation and Parks Department
Guest Speakers: Tara Thompson, Arts Coordinator, and Jessica Rasmussen, Arts Specialist (both SSU alumna)

**Oct. 25**
Discussion and Work Session for Semester Projects
Online Exam Due

**Nov. 1**
Field trip to the Museums of Sonoma County (Santa Rosa)
Leadership in Arts Management
Guest Speaker: Jeff Nathanson, Executive Director, Museums of Sonoma County
Reading: *Managing a Nonprofit Organization in the Twenty-First Century*, Chapter 10: Sustainability and Leadership

Nov. 8 Discussion and Work Session – Creative Sonoma Project

Nov. 15 Managing Technology and Social Media in the Arts

Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Holiday – NO CLASS

Nov. 29 Discussion and Work Session – Semester Projects

Dec. 6 Last Day of Instruction
Summary of Semester and Discussion of Creative Sonoma Project
Preparation of Final Presentations

Dec. 13 Final Presentations of Semester Projects
Field Trip to Creative Sonoma offices in Santa Rosa

Consider

Try to think about both articles together and what they add to your understanding of both Pompeii and the field of art history.

Write

In a 1-page essay (single spaces, approx. 500 words), address the questions below. Please make sure that your response is in the form of a short essay, rather than a list of answers to the questions.

- In what ways is Pliny’s first-hand account of the eruption of Mt Vesuvius in 79 CE useful for better understanding the cities destroyed by the volcano, such as Pompeii?
- What does Pliny’s account contribute to our knowledge of ancient Romans.
- What is Mary Beard’s primary concern regarding the history and excavation of Pompeii? In other words, why has she written this brief article?
- What problems does she bring to light regarding the current state of the site and scholarship on Pompeii?
ArtH 474 Islamic Spain

In a one-page response, address the questions listed below. Make sure your response is in the form of an essay, not a list of answers.

A couple of notes on the article:
The pyxis of al-Mughira has been studied by several scholars. It is particularly noteworthy for its unusual iconography. Don’t worry that you haven’t read the work of the other scholars mentioned. Just try to note what Anderson’s arguments are and how she differs from the others.
Also, a note on some of the history and people she mentions: It was during the reign of Hisham, the son and successor of al-Hakam II, that the Umayyad caliphate began to significantly weaken. Ibn Abi Amir (also known as al-Mansur) will essentially take control of the caliphate and becomes its leader although he is not a member of the Umayyad family.

What is the author’s thesis?
How does her approach differ from those of earlier scholars of the pyxis?
How does she support her argument?
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**Grade:**
Independent Research Presentation

The independent research presentation allows you to create and complete a substantial research project on a subject of your own choice.

• Pick a topic - ungraded
GELO: Transition Learning Outcome 1: Practice active and responsible learning;
   explore ways to pursue academic passion
Transition Learning Outcome 3: Develop a sense of belonging within a campus community;
   become familiar with campus resources

You get to choose what you want to research. I suggest you flip through your textbook, explore Artstor through the library, poke around on the internet and find something that excites you. This is your project. There is a list of suggested topics posted on Canvas to help you get started. If there's a particular theme, idea, or historical period that interests you, let us know. We can help develop ideas. We'll talk in class too, but feel free to talk to your teacher to brainstorm and bounce ideas around. We love talking about art.

It's ok to change your mind later! If you pick a topic and realize it's not the one for you, just talk to your instructor.

• Proposed Bibliography
GELO: Information Literacy (A3)

The proposed bibliography is your opportunity to assemble an initial list of sources that will help you craft your research presentation. The proposed bibliography will form the basis of the annotated bibliography, so try to find sources that look like they will help you.

A bibliography is a list of sources on a specific topic. In this instance, the topic is your research presentation object. You may find a few specific targeted journal articles on your chosen object if it is well-known. Specialized studies can tell you a lot about something specific, but you will need to find general studies to contextualize your object. For example, if your object were the Nike of Samothrace, you will probably be able to find specific studies on the sculpture. You will also need to look for books on ancient Greek art, classical sculpture, mythology, etc. for context.

We will have a class section in the library dedicated to getting you started using library tools and learning how to assess sources for reliability. Remember that scholarship exists within a community. Research is published in conversation with other research. Footnotes in one source tell you what the author is talking about and responding to. You will be joining that community with your research presentation.
Requirements:

• 6-8 academic sources. *Six is minimum for a C grade. These sources are evaluated on their relevance to your topic, their reliable scholarship, and how they work with the rest of your bibliography to provide both contextual and focused studies. Hint: a bibliography of all books or all journal articles is probably lopsided. A good mix of books and articles tends to work best.*

** If you are unsure if a source is academic, talk to your professor or librarian (Mary Wegmann wegmann@sonoma.edu) **

• Alphabetize your sources by last name of the author. If you are using primary sources, separate primary and secondary sources into two sections of your bibliography.

• Format your bibliography according to Chicago Manual of Style Guidelines. *N.B., journal articles and books are cited differently! Automated citations are handy, but not always correct. Make sure you check them against the style guide. The library has physical copies of the Chicago Manual of Style. You can also consult OWL Purdue’s online guide: https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/chicago_manual_17th_edition/cmos_formatting_and_style_guide/chicago_manual_of_style_17th_edition.html*

Grading:
The Proposed Bibliography is graded on 1) Relevance of sources to project; 2) Extent, scope, and quality of proposed sources; 3) Formatting in Chicago style.

•Annotated Bibliography
GELO: Critical Reading (C1); Argument (A3)

An annotated bibliography presents sources related to your topic and annotates them. It is an opportunity to analyze arguments and read critically. At this stage, you engage with the sources from your proposed bibliography and evaluate them for relevance to your initial argument. You may add or delete sources at this stage. If a source is not helpful, you do not need to include it. If you need help finding more or better sources, contact your professor or arts librarian, Mary Wegmann wegmann@sonoma.edu. For models and more info on Annotated Bibliographies, see https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/general_writing/common_writing_assignments/annotated_bibliographies/annotated_bibliography_samples.html

Read each source critically. Think through its argument for credibility, gaps, and extensions, and craft your take on the material. Explain in your annotation how the source relates to your proposed argument.
Begin the annotated bibliography with 1-2 paragraphs on your proposed argument and analysis of your presentation topic. Each annotation should include a summary of the source’s arguments and contents and how you intend to use the source. Will you agree or disagree with the author? Does the text provide a contrast or a similar example to your main work? Does the source provide a way of thinking about your presentation topic that helps you understand it better? Analyze the arguments critically.

Grading:
Annotated bibliographies will be graded on 1) Extent and sophistication of research. Six academic sources are minimum for a C grade; 2) Critical reading of sources evidenced by analytical annotations; 3) Proposed argument sophistication and level of information 4) Writing quality; 4) Formatting in Chicago style

- Oral Presentation and Responses
GELO: Transition Learning Outcome 1: Practice active and responsible learning; explore ways to pursue academic passion
Transition Learning Outcome 3: Develop a sense of belonging within a campus community; become familiar with campus resources

Presentation Dates: four Tuesdays - 2/11, 2/18, 2/25, 3/3
Length: 10 minutes
How to Turn it in: Upload your slide presentation to the Canvas 'Collaborations' page / print your bibliography and turn it in to your professor on the day of your presentation by 12:00pm / (bring your own notes to give your presentation in class)

General Instructions:
For this assignment you will be giving a short oral presentation on the art object you researched fall semester (with your annotated bibliography). Your presentation will be between 5-10 minutes, and will be given during Tuesday sections (we will divide the presentations into 4 weeks). Each presentation day, there will also be a 'response' group who will reflect on the presentations we’ve heard.

Here's the plain truth: you can't wing this. You will need to prepare your presentation. Write out your main points in an outline and review them in bullet point form. Do they make sense in this order? Do your points build to prove you argument? Can your audience follow the sequence you've laid out? Then practice your talk - *out loud*. Catch places that need segues. Listen to yourself and see if you can take out filler words like "um" and "uh." Do your claims make logical sense? Have you moved beyond the informational to the argumentative presentation? Grab a
friend or family member as a trial audience and ask them for constructive criticism. Stand up tall, make eye contact, hands free at sides, and project with your voice. Timing will change depending on whether you have an audience, so do practice with somebody listening.

**Presentation / Bibliography Requirements:**

1) Your presentation should be approximately 10 minutes long. Presentations under five minutes or over fifteen will be penalized.
   
   *Practice! Time yourself with an audience!*

2) The content of your presentation needs to include the following:

   a) Introduce your work and your artist to your audience. Your listeners don’t know anything about this object. What are the basics (artist, title, date, place and/or culture it’s associated with, etc.)? Consider how the slides you design can help with this work.

   b) Insert the work into a larger context. Offer visual analysis of the work itself and place it in its historical, cultural, and/or social setting: What big themes does the work touch upon? How do its composition, style, format, scale, etc. carry messages and interpret those themes? How does it reflect, or perhaps critique, its historical moment? Does it tell us something about the status and role of the artist during its time? So on! Use your critical thinking skills to design this part of your presentation.

   c) Compare your work to at least one artwork we’ve seen in lecture, thinking again how it relates contextually to art historical issues, themes, time periods.

   d) Make an argument about how you think we should understand this object. What does the object do? How does it operate? What are its semantic aims and how does it achieve them? How did the intended viewer interact and engage with the object? Your argument should be logical, concrete, grounded in facts and information, contextualized within the scholarly community of the literature you have read, and intelligible to a general audience.

3) Design a digital slide presentation that guides and teaches your audience. Use both general views and details of your artwork, if needed. Illustrate any relevant background information and comparable works. Don’t overload your slides with text - you should deliver most of the text orally; let your audience look at pictures. Use captions on your slides to identify the artworks you’re discussing. Think about whether site photos and related images will further your argument.

4) Upload your slide presentation to the Canvas ‘Collaborations’ page. Do not neglect this step - your professors will mark down your grade if your slide presentation is not on Canvas or is not easily accessible (see ‘Grading’ below) by 12:00pm on the day of your presentation.

5) Turn in a final bibliography:

   - Your annotated bibliography from fall semester will form the basis of your research for this semester’s presentation, but you may well find that you need to do some additional
research to make your presentation logical and complete. Continue research as needed; remember that your professors are here to help, and that our arts librarian Mary Wegman is a great resource: mary.wegman@sonoma.edu

- Turn in a printed, final bibliography on the day your presentation is due. Your bibliography must include at least six academic sources that relate to your topic. (If you need a refresher on what counts as an academic source, ask your professors or the arts librarian.)

- Bibliographies must be formatted using the Chicago Manual of Style; instructions and examples of this format can be found at: https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/chicago_manual_17thEdition/chicago_manual_of_style_17thEdition.html

**Responses:**

After presentations each day, one group that has not presented that week will be responsible for responding to the presentations. Responders reflect on the assignment. Responders will give a collective summary of what we have heard, what we have learned, and offer further insights like discussing comparisons that can be made beyond those offered by the speakers. Responders will present orally in front of the class as a group, immediately following the presentations. You will have access to the presentation slides to support your response as needed.

2/11 - Group 1 Presents, Group 4 Responds
2/18 - Group 2 Presents, Group 1 Responds
2/25 - Group 3 Presents, Group 2 Responds
3/3 - Group 4 Presents, Group 3 Responds

**Tips for a Successful Presentation:**

- **Organize** your talk as you would an essay: have a clear opening statement, a well-organized body, and a conclusion that reinforces your points and leaves your listeners satisfied that those points were robustly discussed.

- Keep your slide presentation concise and relatively text-free. Give your audience time to absorb the images and information on each slide, and let the slides support your talk rather than the other way around. Clicking through 10 slides in 10 minutes will be overload for your audience!

- **Write your notes using a system that will work for you** when standing before an audience (when you’re probably a little nervous). Some speakers work well from an outline; others write out the whole talk and almost memorize it; others work well from index cards. Roll with what you’re most comfortable with.
• Practice your presentation aloud a few times. Time yourself.
• During your presentation, aim to: make eye contact with your audience / make 'eye contact' with your slides - gesture to important areas, point to what you're discussing / speak with confidence. Be interested in your topic (geek out!), and we'll be interested too.
• Look up the pronunciation of any unfamiliar words ahead of time. I recommend using the website forvo.com; you can also check in with your professors ahead of your presentation day if you're stuck.

Grading:
Presentations and responses will be graded on 1) command of the subject and sophistication of analysis; 2) oral presentation quality (volume, eye contact, pacing, etc.); 3) slide presentation quality (for presentations); 4) research quality (for presentations).
• Late presentations (a missed presentation or neglecting to make prior arrangements to present on an alternate day) will be marked down 1 grade for every day they are late (e.g. from an A to a B).
• Neglecting to upload your presentation to the Canvas ‘Collaborations’ page may result in a 1/2 grade deduction if accessing the presentation is unwieldy. Upload your presentation early in case there are tech difficulties.
Veronese Trial Reinterpretation 10/01

**GELO: Creative Expression** "Produce new work through performance, design, construction, art, or creative writing that is characterized by innovation, divergent thinking, and intellectual risk taking."

**GELO: Communication** "Communicate clearly and eloquently in written, oral, and/or performative forms in a variety of genres and disciplines"

**GELO: Critical Reading** "Actively analyze texts in a variety of forms, genres, and disciplines"

Part One: Multimedia Reinterpretation

By the time you begin this exercise with your partners, you will have studied the Veronese Tribunal trial in class on Sep. 18. Your task with your partners is to rethink what the Veronese trial would look like in the idioms and expressions of 2020. Where would this argument take place? Would it be in a courtroom, on Instagram Live, rap battle, Tik Tok, Twitter, bathroom graffiti? You tell me. How would the people involved express themselves? What language do they use? Are they invested in the same power structures as their sixteenth-century counterparts? Are other additional parties or different people involved?

Make a video or a Facebook Live or a whatever you determine best reinterpreting the Veronese trial. Creativity strongly encouraged! Post either the file or a link to Canvas. Private links to Youtube, Vimeo videos, etc. all ok.

This assignment is designed to help you achieve the G.E. learning outcomes of Creative Expression, Communication, and Critical Reading. By reading critically the sixteenth-century primary documents of Veronese tribunal trial and Council of Trent, you will analyze them for motivations, positions, social constructions, and agendas. You will analyze the texts to discover the various themes involved in these fraught historical episodes. You will produce new work by reinterpreting the trial in a contemporary 2020 context. How are these issues expressed in 2020? Who would the players be and what kind of cultural and social context would they find themselves in? Intellectual risk taking is encouraged. Think as broadly as you can about these issues. The sixteenth-century context can't be merely rewritten in twenty-first century language. You'll have to be creative. All multimedia formats welcome. As you craft your project, think hard about communication. Which ideas do you need to express and how do you express through specific characters, through the characters' audience within the project, and beyond to your audience of classmates? Consider idioms and culture. Consider the platform. The way one person writes on Twitter will be different than the way that same person expresses themselves in an Academic Freedom hearing. This can be tricky! You will need to navigate sixteenth-century concepts, their historical continuity and change in the twenty-first century, the language and expression of the characters you create, and you also will need to keep in mind communicating the big ideas and issues to your audience.
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<td>Highly polished and carefully edited/proofread seamless presentation.</td>
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**Part Two: Reflection**

After everyone has posted their projects to Canvas, we will go through them as a class and reflect on the various interpretations. How did other groups respond to the assignment in comparison to your own? What have you learned about your own work and creative choices by viewing your work alongside the variety of creative expressions produced by your classmates?

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Introduction
For this paper assignment, you will read several articles that address looting of historic sites and museums. You will then write an essay (2-3 pages single-space) in which you address the questions below. Your response should be in the form of essay, not a list of answers. Please make sure to address all the questions.

LOOTING (in art and archaeology): Any unscientific and illegal act of plundering archaeological sites for profit. Looters destroy evidence that archaeologists rely upon to understand the past. (https://archaeologywordsmit.com)

Instructions
Read (I recommend to follow the order listed):

1. Tom Mueller’s “Plundering the Past” in National Geographic (June 2016): 58-81 (posted as PDF on Canvas) regarding looting and the antiquities market.

Then read about the 2003 looting of the Iraq Museum in Baghdad:
2. Excerpts from The Looting of the Iraq Museum, Baghdad (posted as PDF on Canvas)

Then read:
5. “3,800 Artifacts Once Bought by Hobby Lobby Were Just Returned to Iraq.” https://www.pbs.org/newshour/nation/3800-artifacts-once-bought-by-hobby-lobby-were-just-returned-to-iraq Make sure to read the entire article.

In a typed essay (approx. 2-3 pages single-spaced, 12 pt New Times Roman, no spaces between paragraphs, standard margins) please comment on the questions below, using your own words. Your response should be in the form of an essay, with an intro, conclusion, etc., not a list of answers. You do not need to include a bibliography unless you consult any additional sources beyond those assigned (which is not required). Make sure to cite your sources when using direct quotes or someone else’s ideas (you may use footnotes, endnotes or parenthetical citations). Please contact me if you have questions about citations or what plagiarism is.

1. Were you aware of the problems of looting discussed in the National Geographic article? What details were most interesting or surprising to you? Be specific.
2. In The Looting of the Iraq Museum, Baghdad, what two details about the accounts of the Museum’s looting most surprised you? Why?
3. Why is it important for the people of Iraq, according to Zainab Bahrani, in “Iraq’s Cultural Heritage: Monuments, History, and Loss,” to preserve and care for Iraq’s historic artifacts and monuments? Be specific about what her arguments are.
4. John Malcolm Russell argues in “Why Should We Care” that Iraq’s historic artifacts and monuments are not only important for the people of Iraq but also for all humanity. How does he support his argument? Be specific.

5. What is your stand on this? Are these objects and monuments important/relevant today? Be specific about your arguments.

6. Were you surprised to see Hobby Lobby, an arts and crafts store, in the news due to connection with possible looted artifacts?

7. Find an example of an historic site that was recently looted (within the past few years) or is in danger of destruction. Briefly explain the current situation of the site is. Do NOT simply repeat info about a site in the articles (for example, Palmyra should NOT be discussed).

Both Art Journal articles are available through the SSU library (http://library.sonoma.edu/).
Follow the instructions below:

“Iraq’s Cultural Heritage”
Click on <A-Z List of Article Databases> (Under Focus Your Search)
Then, click on <J> (in alphabet listing)
Then, click on JSTOR (under J)
Then, Type <Iraq’s Cultural Heritage: Monuments, History and Loss > in box
Then, Click on “Iraq’s Cultural Heritage: Monuments, History and Loss” to open the article

“Why Should We Care?”
Click on <A-Z List of Article Databases> (Under Focus Your Search)
Then, click on <J> (in alphabet listing)
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For more information on the status of looted works of art:
http://oi.uchicago.edu/OI/IRAQ/dbfiles/Iraqdatabasehome.htm

To learn more about UNESCO and the protection of historic monuments and artifacts:
http://whc.unesco.org/en/about/
Read


2. The second reading is the statement from the Trustees of the British Museum on their position regarding the ownership and display of the Parthenon Marbles at the British Museum. Reading: “The Parthenon Sculptures, the Trustees Statement (British Museum)”, https://www.britishmuseum.org/about-us/british-museum-story/objects-news/parthenon-sculptures/parthenon-sculptures-trustees


Write: In a brief essay (one page maximum) address the questions below. Make sure your response is in essay format, rather than a list of answers.

What are the strongest arguments posed by the British Museum for retaining the Parthenon Marbles?

What are the strongest arguments posed by the Greek Ministry of Culture for returning the Marbles to Greece?

What is your stance on where the Parthenon sculptures should be located (London or Athens)? Be specific about your arguments.

Also, search online to determine how recently this debate has been in the news.
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ArtH 270a

Instructions

In this class you’ve mostly seen empty spaces or objects in museum displays. However, the spaces we've studied would have been filled with sounds, scents, and textures. The short video, “Water and Sound in Islamic Architecture,” introduces some of these additional aspects of architecture that are important to imagine as you consider the space.

What did you learn?

Think back to spaces discussed in class or in your textbook that included fountains or waterways. Chose 1 example and explain how this short lecture on lecture changed your perception of the space.

Submit

Watch the short video mentioned above and then respond to the questions below. Please write your response in the form of an essay rather than a list of answers to the questions.


Questions to Address

1. What did you learn from watching the video?
2. How did it change the way you imagined some of the spaces we have studied?
3. Choose one site/fountain covered in class and explain how the added layers of sound, splashing water, etc. changes the way you understand the space and how it was experienced at the time it was created.

Student Support Resources

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**Lower Division**
- **ARTH 210/211** or **ARTH 160A/B** 6-8 units
- **ARTS 101/102** or **ARTS 105** 3-6 units
- Two language courses 6-8 units

**Upper Division**
- One course each from three of the following areas:
  - ARTH 420/422/424
  - ARTH 430/432
  - ARTH 440/442/444/450
  - ARTH 452/454/460
  - ARTH 456 9 units
- One of **ARTH 460** **ARTH 464** **ARTH 465** **ARTH 466** 3 units

**Electives**
- 7-12 units selected from all upper division courses, ARTH 494, ARTH 480, related courses outside the Art Department with approval 7-12 units

**Non-Western**
- One of **ARTH 270A** **ARTH 270B** **ARTH 470A** **ARTH 470B** **ARTH 474** **ARTH 476 3 units**

**Capstone**
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