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Semester Effective:

# Art History (ARTH) 1510 Prehistoric to Renaissance Art History (3 Units) CSU: UC [formerly Art 1510; Art 1A]

Prerequisite: Eligibility for English 1500 or 1501 strongly recommended

Prerequisite knowledge/skills: Before entering the course, the student should be able to:

- 1. use correct grammar, syntax, and punctuation,
- 2. develop the ability to organize written expression in formal, clear language,
- 3. demonstrate correct mechanics of sentence structure and punctuation,
- 4. develop an awareness of levels of language,
- 5. demonstrate concrete evidence of an increased vocabulary,
- 6. demonstrate the ability to interpret and analyze written passages of increasing difficulty, effectively self-evaluate written work,
- 7. compose coherent essays,
- 8. analyze the fundamentals of term paper techniques and library use,
- 9. interpret meaning of vocabulary in context,
- 10. recognize main ideas, determine implied main ideas, and the central point,
- 11. identify supporting details,
- 12. discriminate among transitions that involve addition, cause and effect, comparison and/or contrast, examples, and time,
- 13. distinguish between facts and opinions,
- 14. determine logical inferences by drawing conclusions,
- 15. identify an author's purpose and tone,
- 16. evaluate arguments,
- 17. apply reading strategies to other academic courses, and
- 18. analyze and synthesize appropriate information in the library for a basic research assignment

#### Hours and Units Calculations:

48 hours lecture. 96 Outside of class hours. (144 Total Student Learning Hours) 3 Units

Catalog Description: The architecture, sculpture, and painting of European cultures from the prehistoric era to 1400 are studied in this survey course. A visit to an art museum is required. C-ID: ARTH 110

Type of Class/Course: Degree Credit

Text: Kleiner, Fred S. Gardner's Art through the Ages. 14<sup>th</sup> ed. Boston: Wadsworth, 2013. Print.

Additional Required Materials: None

Course Objectives:



By the end of the course, a successful student will be able to:

- 1. critically analyze a work of art and identify the style of the work of art,
- 2. critically analyze a work of art and identify the period and geographic location of creation of the work of art, identify the major stylistic traits of a period or cultural group,
- 3. critically analyze a work of art and identify the artist of a work of art when appropriate,
- 4. evaluate art as a necessary adjunct to society in its power to reflect, to react to, and to anticipate attitudes and trends,
- 5. compare and contrast early civilizations through corresponding trends of expression in the arts,
- 6. identify periods of art history from the prehistoric through the Gothic,
- 7. identify slides and pictures of art monuments as to period and geographic locations of origin,
- 8. analyze periods in terms of painting, sculpture, and architectural style associated with specific periods and how that style reflects the cultural values of the specific culture,
- 9. name the major artists, when appropriate, who produced certain art works in the periods covered,
- 10. using knowledge of style and culture, formulate a chronological sequence of the periods covered,
- 11. recognize specific leaders, rulers or personalities which greatly influences art of a particular period,
- 12. identify the contributions of women and non-western artists to the development of western art history,
- 13. identify political and social events or conditions which influenced the production of art in the periods covered,
- 14. define terms common in architecture, sculpture, and painting for the periods covered,
- 15. synthesize possible conclusions from significant art monuments of the various covered periods,
- 16. provide examples of current architecture, sculpture, and painting which draw ideas from the past,
- 17. read and analyze persuasive essays and write essays posing solutions to problems such as cultural ownership of ancient artifacts, and
- 18. synthesize their accumulated knowledge of art and analyze slides of unfamiliar works for the purpose of attributing the object to a particular period, culture, or artist and media.

# Course Scope and Content:

#### Unit I Introduction and Prehistoric Art

- A. Introduction to theories and elements of art
- B. Prehistoric Art
- C. Ancient Near Eastern Art
- D. Egyptian Art

## Unit II Aegean and Greek Art

- A. Aegean Art
- B. Greek (Archaic through Hellenistic) Art

## Unit III Roman and Early Christian Art

- A. Etruscan
- B. Roman Art
- C. Early Christian Art
- D. Byzantine Art

#### Unit IV Medieval Art

- A. Early Medieval Art
- B. Romanesque Art
- C. Gothic Art

## Learning Activities Required Outside of Class:



The students in this class will spend a minimum of 6 hours per week outside of the regular class time doing the following:

- 1. Required, reading in text
- 2. Other assigned readings
- 3. Thinking and writing critically on the essay assignment

## Methods of Instruction:

- 1. Lectures with slides
- 2. Class discussion
- 3. Assigned readings
- 4. Individual critical thinking and writing
- 5. Library research
- 6. Art museum visit

# Methods of Evaluation:

- 1. Chapter quizzes, midterm, and final examinations
- 2. Objective questions
- 3. Essay question
- 4. Essay assignment (4-6 pages) derived from the student's critical reading and analysis of selected published articles or videos
- 5. Comparison and contrast cross cultural library research paper assignment

# Supplemental Data:

TOP Code:	100200 Art
SAM Priority Code:	E: Non-occupational
Funding Agency:	Y: Not Applicable
Program Status:	1: Program Applicable
Noncredit Category:	Y: Not Applicable
Special Class Status:	N: Course is not a special class
Basic Skills Status:	N: Not Applicable
Prior to College Level:	Y: Not Applicable



Cooperative Work Experience:	N: Course is not a part of a cooperative education program
Eligible for Credit by Exam:	No
Eligible for Pass/No Pass:	Yes
<u>Discipline</u>	Art History

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