

ALBERTA COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN COURSE OUTLINE

DEPARTMENT: FIRST YEAR STUDIES

PROGRAM/MAJOR: First Year Studies

COURSE: **DRWF.110 – Drawing I**

CREDITS: 3.0

PRE-REQUISITE: None

DESCRIPTION: Drawing 1 is an introductory drawing course in which students will explore the fundamentals of observational drawing. As they deepen their understanding of representational methods, students will be challenged with questions related to abstraction, drawing as a process and the relevance of personal content. The course will introduce principles of drawing technique, pictorial content and concepts, and personal interpretations in drawing. As well, students will examine line, tonal value, pictorial space, perspective and an introduction to drawing the human figure. Course material will be presented through classroom studio projects, as well as group and individual critiques. Students will be expected to complete some course work outside of class.

OBJECTIVES: Upon successful completion of this course the student will have an understanding of:

1. the representation of subjects through observation;
2. image content as expressed through various forms, concepts and drawing media;
3. the formal elements of drawing: line, space, value, form and texture;
4. analytical skills and critical thinking in art and design and will have achieved a greater sense of visual literacy;
5. various drawing materials including charcoal, graphite, wet media and a variety of artists quality papers and supports.

In addition to the above description and objectives, students in FYS courses can expect a learning environment that encourages self-motivation and promotes independent thinking and action. Problem solving and various modes of inquiry are understood to be fundamental to studio activity and serve as a framework for students to situate their activity in a broader context.

EVALUATION: Evaluation and assignment of grades will be based upon the quality of work produced relative to the objectives of the course. Specific criteria will be stated in writing and distributed by the course instructor normally by the end of the first week of instruction.

Students and faculty should refer to the College's website for up to date information concerning academic and campus regulations. Students and faculty are responsible for familiarizing themselves and complying with all College policies, procedures and regulations as well as specific Program regulations as distributed. Program regulations will normally be distributed within the first week of classes.

Introduced:

Revised:

March 1998

October 2002, Implementation September 2003 (replaced Introductory Drawing)

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