



ARTS 102 - Drawing I (3 Credit Hours )  
 Prerequisites: ARTS 101 Recommended  
 Fall 2011 • M/W 8:00 AM - 10:50 AM  
 Final Exam: Monday, December 12 • 12:30 PM - 2:30PM

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## 1. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Students interested in visual communication through drawing (constructive and natural procedures, perspective, rendering, and composition) are introduced to areas of visual and creative expression in order to develop necessary skills in the process of self-expression.

## 2. COURSE OBJECTIVES

- a) Content
  - Establish working knowledge of the fundamentals of drawing
  - Develop a healthy disposition toward self expression (including that of others)
  - Refine aesthetic sensibilities through experience and analysis
- b) Core Competencies
  - Critical and Creative Thinking
  - Communication – Visual, Written, and Oral
  - Personal, Moral, Social, and Cultural Development
  - Technology and Information Management
  - Quantitative Reasoning

## 3. COURSE MATERIALS

- a) Optional Text: *Drawing: Space, Form, Expression; 4th Ed.* by Enstice & Peters
- b) Required Supplies:
  - Compressed, Vine, and White Charcoal;
  - Pencil Sharpener; and Kneaded Eraser (recommend General's Charcoal Pencil Drawing Kit No. 15)
  - Graphite Drawing Pencils from 6B to 2H
  - Vine or Willow Charcoal (will need more than is in the General's kit)
  - Sketch Board (with metal clips, 23.5 x 26)
  - Small chamois (e.g., 5 x 7)
  - Vinyl Eraser (block and peel-off stick)
  - Portfolio (must hold 18x24 paper)
  - Spray Fixative-Krylon Crystal-Clear or "Workable"
  - 18x24 Newsprint-Rough, 100 Sheets (30 lb)
  - 18x24 Drawing Paper (80 lb, acid free)
  - Drawing broom (brush for removing erdu)
- c) Materials Policy: Drawing pad, pencils, and erasers must be purchased before the next (2<sup>nd</sup>) class session. All other supplies must be purchased within one week of the 2<sup>nd</sup> class (i.e, before the 4<sup>th</sup> class session). Art supplies and projects must be collected at the end of the last week of class or during the first week of the following term. If a student fails to collect her/his supplies or projects, they will be disposed of or become the property of the HCC Visual Arts Program.

## 4. COURSE FORMAT

Through lectures, demonstrations, and assignments students will be introduced to and gain facility with technical and expressive components of drawing. The first part of the course reinforces drawing fundamentals and experimentation with materials. The second part centers on expressive concerns. This is primarily a studio course; wear proper work attire.

Outside writing and drawing assignments should be completed in your sketchbook. Write daily summaries of progress – like a diary. Use it to write reviews of art exhibits and to analyze art reproductions in the library or online. Obviously, it is a sketchbook, as well. Use it to draw from life, NOT from photographs. Your sketchbook will be evaluated at mid-term and at the end of the course.

Some classes will involve in-class exercises and some classes will be strictly critique-based. Students should plan on spending significant time drawing out of class, as well. Some materials, including any updates to the syllabus or course schedule, will be made available via <http://moodle.hcc-nd.edu>.

## 5. CLASS POLICIES

### **Attendance Policy**

It is very important to get to class each day, to be on time, and to come prepared. All students are allowed a number of free absences equal to the number of meetings per week over the course of the entire semester. For example, if the class meets MWF, students are permitted three (3) absences. If the class meets MW or TH, students are permitted two (2) absences. In addition, on the first day of class all students automatically receive points equal to 10% of the total points available in the course toward the final grade. These points are awarded for expected course engagement (i.e., participation, attendance, preparedness, maturity of attitude, etc.). However, if you miss more than the permitted number of classes, all of these points will be deducted from the final average and you will receive 0 points in this dimension. Losing these points could dramatically affect your final grade! Attendance is taken at the beginning of class. If you are tardy, it is your responsibility to approach me at the end of that class to ensure that the record is corrected. The record will not be adjusted retroactively.

As with any serious commitment, advance or immediate notice of any absence or delay is expected. Email is the preferred means of notice. Failure to provide timely notification will disqualify you for consideration for an excused absence. Emergency absences will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis and are subject to the professor's assessment and judgment.

The annual Holy Cross College Arts Day Salon is held each spring. Participation is a course requirement for all studio-based courses (Fall and Spring). Attendance is a required course component for Spring courses.

For Fall semester studio courses, selected work must be matted and submitted at final exam time with the appropriate accompanying paperwork (available on Moodle). For Spring semester studio courses, selected work must be submitted at the announced time (usually one week prior to the show). All work must be picked up the day after the event! Abandoned work will be disposed of.

See Policies Regarding Student Athletes, for attendance requirements for athletes.

### **Late Work Policy**

Late work will not be accepted. A 0/F will be recorded for failure to attend an exam or to present a deliverable at the time it is due. In the event of an excused absence, you will be allowed to make up exams or work without penalty. For exams, the make-up test must be rescheduled within two days. For projects, you must make arrangements to have the finished work delivered to the studio or to the professor's office within two days. If you fail to do so, you will not be given credit.

### **Student Conduct Statement**

See Student Handbook: Holy Cross College presumes a high moral character and an attitude of self-respect in its students regarding such matters as discipline, integrity, and personal behavior (Student Handbook, 2009-10, p. 33).

### **Academic Honesty Statement**

See Student Handbook: As a community, faculty, staff, and students have a moral and ethical responsibility to uphold the principle of unquestioned honesty, and refrain from any activity or behavior that would suggest academic dishonesty and lack of personal integrity. Students shall be honest in their academic work and shall support the honesty of others. They shall, moreover, guard against any appearance of dishonesty (Student Handbook, 2009-10: p. 8)

Any dishonest act (e.g., plagiarism or cheating) will be handled according to the handbook. Furthermore, such acts will

garner a 0/F for the assignment/exam on the first offense and a grade of F for the course on the second.

### **Statement about Accommodations for Students with Disabilities**

Students with a documented disability are eligible for accommodations as specified by the Director of Student Counseling Services. Students must inform the instructor of their eligibility for accommodations at the beginning of the semester.

### **Policies Regarding Student Athletes**

Student athletes must provide the instructor with the proper documentation signed by their coach or the Athletic Director at the beginning of the semester. Furthermore, students participating in athletic events requiring them to be absent from class must inform the instructor in writing before the class is missed using the official form (signed by the Coach or Athletic Director).

If the signed official notice is presented in advance, then work due on that date may be delivered between one day before and one day after the scheduled absence. Make arrangements with me to deliver the work at a specific time. Simply leaving your work in the classroom is not equivalent to turning it in.

### **Personal Technology Policy**

Cell phones and other electronic devices must be set to off or silent mode. Calls may not be accepted during class. If you have an emergency situation and need to be available by phone, alert the professor before class. Personal music devices may not be played during class. Hearing the instruction of others is a frequent learning opportunity. Texting is not permitted in class under any circumstance.

### **Statement on Workspace Responsibilities**

The studio is a communal workspace. It should be kept clean and arranged in an orderly fashion. Supplies should be stored in designated areas. Possessions (including supplies and work) must be collected at the end of class or after an independent work session.

### **Class Cancellation Plan**

In the event that a class is cancelled, the instructor will contact the college and have a note placed on the door and on the whiteboard. If possible, notification will be sent directly to students via email.

### **Changes to the Syllabus or Course Calendar**

The syllabus and course calendar are subject to change as deemed necessary by the instructor. Should there be any changes, they will be announced in class and published to Moodle (<http://moodle.hcc-nd.edu>).

## **6. GRADING CRITERIA**

Studio work is assessed using the five criteria identified in the standard rubric for assessing visual art projects: *Originality*, *Compositional Quality*, *Craftsmanship*, *Effort/Concept Development*, and *Other Considerations*. The specific guidelines for applying each of these criteria are available in the college's course management system located at <http://moodle.hcc-nd.edu>.

The following grade scale will be used to quantify evaluations of all course work:

<b>Grade</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>% Equivalent</b>
A	Excellent	4.0	>= 96%
A-		3.67	>= 91%
B+		3.33	>= 88%
B	Good	3.0	>= 84%
B-		2.67	>= 81%
C+		2.33	>= 78%
C	Satisfactory	2.0	>= 74%
C-		1.67	>= 71%
D	Pass	1.0	>= 61%
F	Failure; No credit	0.0	<= 60%

I	Incomplete	0.0
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Scores will be assessed as a weighted average using the following values:

Mid-Term Portfolio (in-class work).....45%  
 Final Portfolio (in-class work) .....45%  
 Outside Assignments / Sketchbook .....10%

## 7. COURSE CALENDAR

The course calendar (including assignments, recommended readings, and exam schedules), is available in the Holy Cross College course management system located at <http://moodle.hcc-nd.edu>.

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