



Online Courses for High School Students

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Art Appreciation

Course Description:

This one-semester course will introduce learners to the various forms of the visual arts, such as painting, sculpture, film, and more. Students will learn how to look at a work of art, identify and compare key characteristics in artworks, and understand the role art has played throughout history. Through hands-on activities, virtual museum tours, discussion, and research, learners will develop an overall appreciation for the art they encounter in their daily lives.

Course Objectives:

- Understand and explain the significance of artworks in Western and non-Western cultures
- Identify the medium, and explain the technique, used to create works of art
- Identify and analyze formal elements, principles of design, and stylistic characteristics found in artworks from various art historical periods
- Converse with others about art, using visual literacy skills and relevant terminology acquired in the course
- Discuss and evaluate the impact of societal conditions on the production of artwork
- Analyze a work of art, placing it in historical, social, and cultural context
- Create works of art utilizing techniques such as perspective, and concepts such as color theory

Prerequisites: None

Course Length: One Semester

Required Text: None

Materials List: None

Course Outline:

Unit I: Orientation

- Section A – Art Appreciation: Introduction
- Section B – Getting Started
- Section C – Research Paper

Unit II: Introduction

- Section A – What is Art?
- Section B – Museums
- Section C – Analyzing Art
- Section D – Exam

Unit III: Technical Aspects of Art

- Section A – Formal Elements
- Section B – Principles of Design
- Section C – Style
- Section D – Exam

Unit IV: 2-D Art

- Section A – Drawing
- Section B – Painting
- Section C – Printmaking
- Section D – Exam

Unit V: 3-D Art

- Section A – Sculpture
- Section B – Other 3-D Media
- Section C – Earthworks
- Section D – Exam

Unit VI: Architecture and Design

- Section A – Buildings and Skylines
- Section B – Other Structures
- Section C – Design and Planning
- Section D – Exam

Unit VII: Camera Arts

- Section A – Photography
- Section B – Television and Film
- Section C – Film
- Section D – Exam