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Art 101: Art and Architecture from Prehistory to the Renaissance

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It is your responsibility to read this syllabus and retain it for reference, as well as to follow all course policies. Be sure to read the Oxford College Honor Code (Oxford College Catalog, pp. 38-40.) All of your work in this course is governed by the Honor Code. Also read the College policy on class attendance (Oxford College Catalog, p. 33.) You are responsible to find out about work missed because of absence.

Art 101 meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. in Humanities 206. My office is in Humanities 205 and my office hours are: Mon/Wed/Fri 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. and by appointment. My office telephone number is (770) 784-8367. There is a class conference for this course on Learnlink titled "101 Art Archetto." A syllabus and other information regarding the course will be posted on the conference. You may use the conference to direct questions to me at any time.

Required books (available at the College Bookstore):

Frederick Hartt, Art: A History of Painting, Sculpture, Architecture. Vol. I, Fourth edition, Prentice-Hall, 1993.

Sylvan Barnet, A Short Guide to Writing about Art. Fifth edition, Harper-Collins, 1993.

Course requirements:

Two examinations (20% each)
Final examination (25%)
Research paper (10%)
Writing Assignments (15%)
Class attendance and participation (10%)

Course Goals and Policies:

This course is an introduction to art history and a survey of Western art and architecture from the earliest known cultures to the end of the Middle Ages. Classes are in lecture format, but there will be time for questions and discussion. Exams will consist of objective and essay questions involving identification and analysis of selected works of art, art historical vocabulary, and important trends in Western art history. The final exam will cover concepts from the entire course. All course work is graded on the quality of content and writing style, including the quality and organization of ideas, spelling, and grammar. The main goals of the course are to increase your understanding of the arts in Western culture and to help you to improve your analytical and writing skills.

Grading will be in the "plus-minus" system. If you fail to appear for an exam, you will earn a grade of "0" for that exam. Exams may be made up only in documented cases of severe illness or emergency.

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All assignments are due <u>in class</u> on the due date. A late assignment or paper will receive a reduced grade, but an extension may be requested before the due date.

Please arrive on time for class. Entering class after a lecture has begun is distracting and discourteous to the professor and to other students. Since the room will be darkened for slide viewing, entering late can also be dangerous because of the graduated flooring. Students who arrive after 9:35 a.m. will be marked absent.

Please do not bring any food (including chewing gum) or drinks (except for water or cough drops) into the classroom.

COURSE OUTLINE

8/27	Lectures, Assignments and Exams What is art? What is art history?	Readings Hartt pp. 10-33	Barnet Chapter 1
0.14	A basic art historical vocabulary	0.4.457	
9/1 9/3	Paleolithic, Mezolithic, and Neolithic art African, Oceanic, North American Indian art	34-47 48-65	Chapter 2
9/8 9/10	Pre-Columbian art Egyptian art: Archaic Period and Old Kingdom Video on Egyptian art Writing assignment #1 due	120-133 66-84	Chapter 3
9/15 9/17	Egyptian art: Middle Kingdom and Empire Mesopotamian art Video on Mesopotamian art Writing assignment #2 due	84-99 100-119	Chapter 4
	Aegean art Greek art: Geometric period Writing assignment #3 due	134-145 146-152	Chapter 5
9/29 10/1	Greek art: Archaic period Greek art: Classical period	152-169 170-199	Chapter 6
10/6 10/8	Greek art: Hellenistic period Video on Greek art Examination #1	199-215	Chapter 7

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•	No Class-Fall Break Etruscan art Bibliography for research paper due	216-225	Chapter 8
	Roman art: Republican period Roman art: Empire	226-240 241-291	Chapter 9
	Middle AgesEarly Christian art Middle AgesByzantine art Outline for research paper due	292-316 316-353	
•	Video on Islamic art Barbarian and Christian art in northern Europe	354-377 378-387	
	Art of the Holy Roman Empire Examination #2	388-409	
	Romanesque art in France Romanesque art in Italy and greater Europe Video on Romanesque art	410-424 424-445	
	Gothic art in France Corrected draft of research paper due No Class-Thanksgiving Day	446-472	
	Gothic art in Germany, Spain, England, and Italy Video on Gothic art No class	472-493	
12/8	Italian art at the end of the Middle Ages Review for final exam Final corrected copy of research paper due	562-577	

12/14 Final examination 7:00-10:00 p.m.
See Final Exam Schedule for Oxford College policy on final exams.