MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

COURSE OUTLINE

Faculty are required to have the outline submitted to the Academic Affairs Office. The course outline is the form used for approval of new courses by the Collegewide Curriculum Committee.

DEPT. Art COURSE NO. 1120

NUMBER OF CREDITS: 3

COURSE TITLE Art Appreciation

CATALOG DESCRIPTION Offers an investigation into the creative process as it exits for the artist, the art historian, and the viewer. Students will be exposed to the history of art, the technical aspects of art, and to the creative mental process which takes place in both the making and viewing of art.

AUDIENCE Students desiring to appreciate art, decode art, understand the language of art, and that wish comprehend the creative process

FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S) *(Leave blank if not applicable)*

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PREREQUISITES OR NECESSARY ENTRY SKILLS/KNOWLEDGE: none

LENGTH OF COURSE one semester

THIS COURSE IS USUALLY OFFERED:

Every other year fall spring summer undetermined

Four goals are emphasized in course at Minnesota West Community & Technical College:

1) ACADEMIC CONTENT: To gain an understanding of the formal structuring of art and aesthetics. To gain a confidence in individual perception. To recognize technical subtleties in art. To gain comprehension of the art vocabulary.
2) THINKING SKILLS: Visual Awareness, aesthetic evaluation, formal
analysis of the principles and elements of design, recognition of materials and
techniques.

3) COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS: Journal of verbal and visual responses to art
viewed, report on artist, hands on experience using various art materials, responding
emotionally and intellectually to pieces of art.

4) HUMAN DIVERSITY: Gallery visits, written and oral responses to art, exposure
to art created by a wide range of cultures and countries over several centuries, inner
creative discovery.

TOPICS TO BE COVERED: Sculpture, painting, printmaking, ceramics, photography and
architecture.

Various cultural approaches to art, historical context of art, principles and elements of design,
vocabulary, various artists, and creativity.

LIST OF EXPECTED COURSE OUTCOMES: Students will: a) gain confidence in judging art
b) learn the vocabulary of art c) understand the influence of culture, religion, history and politics
on artistic development d) become aware of their personal creative process.

LEARNING/TEACHING TECHNIQUES used in the course are:

Collaborative Learning Problem Solving
Student Presentations Interactive Lectures
Creative Projects Individual Coaching
Lecture Films/Videos/Slides
Demonstrations Other (describe below)
Lab gallery visits

ASSIGNMENTS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR THIS CLASS INCLUDE:

Reading Tests Individual Projects
Oral Presentations Worksheets Collaborative Projects
Textbook Problems Papers Portfolio
Group Problems Term Paper
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The information in this course outline is subject to revision

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