



Foundation: Arts

Each course in the category is an introduction to an area of study in the visual and performing arts and includes direct exposure to works of art or live performances and preparation of written responses to the experiences. Students will realize that art functions as a major cultural force in the experiences of individuals and communities. An understanding of the arts helps people to define what is meaningful and significant in life.

Knowledge Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

1. Explain principles and questions that define the arts and analysis of formal elements of works of art.
2. Explain how meaning in the arts is created and interpreted.
3. Explain the historical and cultural contexts for artists and their works.

Skills Student Learning Outcome 1 (choose one of the following):

Graduates are proficient in:

- a) Critical Thinking: Comprehensively evaluate issues, ideas, artifacts, or events before forming a conclusion; or
- b) Written Communication: Write effectively for multiple purposes and audiences.

Skills Student Learning Outcome 2 (choose one of the following):

Graduates are proficient in:

- a) Collaboration: Effectively work on a team. *{Students must participate in a group project conducted over a significant portion of the semester}*; or
- b) Oral Communication: Effectively prepare and deliver a formal oral presentation. *{Students must give individual formal presentations; group presentations are acceptable if every student presents}*