

# Introduction to Art (ART-031-M003)

## Syllabus

### What You Should Already Know

There are no prerequisites for this course. After completing ART 31, you will be able to create, enjoy, understand, and appreciate art much better than you do now. You will find these skills to be valuable throughout your life.

### Course Learning Outcomes

There are four areas that you should master during this course:

1. Define the vocabulary used in the visual arts.
2. Demonstrate knowledge and skill in several different art media.
3. Explain why artwork is successful or historically important.
4. Demonstrate knowledge of several different art periods, important artists, and their influence on later art.

### Course Materials

This course's text contains all of the information you'll need for your quizzes. You may find it helpful to search the internet for high-resolution images of the works of art shown in the lessons. You'll also need some art materials:

### Art Materials

Art materials can be expensive. Try to use what you already have on hand, rather than buying everything new.

- a pencil
- a set of colored pencils
- crayons
- a set of watercolors with a brush

- a glue stick
- scissors
- a ruler
- an X-ACTO® knife
- a package of colored construction paper
- colored tissue paper
- a sheet of tracing paper
- white drawing paper
- some old magazines
- two pieces of multi-purpose watercolor paper
- a folder which will serve as your portfolio

## **Assignments**

You will complete these assignments during the course.

You will complete a total of six units. You will answer Self Check questions (ungraded) to see how well you're remembering the discussion material, complete instructor-graded portfolio assignments, and complete computer-graded unit quizzes.

Portfolio assignments should be kept in a safe place until you are ready to submit them. After units 3 and 6 you will find a Portfolio Submission section that contains checklists of the items that you are required to submit. All assignments on the checklist must be turned in together. An incomplete portfolio may result in a failing grade.

## **Exams**

You will complete one proctored final exam for this course. The final exam covers the material you've learned in units 1 through 6. This exam will consist of 50 questions, most of which will be taken from the six-unit quizzes. See the Exam Preparation page for more details.

## **Grading**

Your grade in this course will be based on these assignments and exams:

Assignment or Exam	Grading	Percent of Total Grade
6 Unit Quizzes	Computer	30%
2 Portfolio Assignments	Instructor	40%
1 Proctored Final Exam*	Computer	30%

\* You must pass the final exam with at least a 60% to earn credit for the course.

As you can see, the portfolio assignments are worth a substantial portion of your grade, so make sure you do your best work for them.

## Resubmissions and Retakes

For information about resubmitting assignments and retaking the exam, please see [Resubmissions and Retakes](#).

## Grade Scale

Your letter grade is calculated according to these percentages.

<b>A</b>	100% – 94%
<b>A-</b>	92% – 90%
<b>B+</b>	89% – 87%
<b>B</b>	86% – 84%
<b>B-</b>	83% – 80%
<b>C+</b>	79% – 77%
<b>C</b>	76% – 74%
<b>C-</b>	73% – 70%
<b>D+</b>	69% – 67%
<b>D</b>	66% – 64%
<b>D-</b>	63% – 60%
<b>E (fail)</b>	59% – 0%

## **Course Policies**

For information about how long you have to complete the course, resubmitting assignments, retaking exams, and other questions, please see [High School Course Policies](#).