



Bridgewater State University
ARTH103 Art History to 14th Century
2021 Summer Session
May 31–June 25

Instructor: TBA
Class Credits: 3
Location: Online

Course Description

This course explores the history of art and visual culture from a variety of geographical and cultural perspectives. Through a comparative and thematic approach, it studies how various techniques inform the making of a work of art; the role that works of art, architecture and other cultural products have played in different societies, civilizations and historical periods; and how different political, religious and philosophical ideas have influenced artistic production across the globe. A museum visit is assigned to experience first-hand examples of art and visual culture from prehistory to the 14th century from within and outside the Western Canon.

Course Objectives

In this course, students will learn to...

- identify the major monuments of the visual arts in a global context over the period from prehistory to ca. 1400 CE, and discuss them in terms characterizing the major periods of art production
- understand these works in terms of their formal structure, production, function, artistic innovations, and stylistic development, as well as in terms of key techniques, movements, and artists
- situate the works within their specific historical and cultural contexts in order to understand better how different societies lived and perceived the world around them, particularly in an era of increasing economic exchange, colonization, and industrialization
- become familiar with and critically apply a range of terms and methodologies used in art historical research

Requirements and Course Policies

Course Materials

Stokstad, Marilyn and Cothren, Michael. 2014. *Art History, volume 1*, 5th edition. Prentice Hall (REQUIRED)

Readings

Students are required to complete the reading assignments listed below in the course schedule on time and to complete the on-line quizzes.

Quizzes

Students are required to complete the open-book quizzes listed below in the course schedule on time.

Object Identifications

Students are required to complete the open-book object identifications at the end of the course. Instructions will be given prior to its time of submission.

Writing Assignment

Instructions for the writing assignment, which consists of object analysis based on a visit to a local museum (conditions pending), will be given prior to its time of submission. An excellent resource is the On-Line Writing Lab (OWL) at Perdue University:

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>

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Grading

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| Quizzes (open book) | 120 course points |
| Museum Visit and Object Analysis | 100 course points |
| Object Identifications (open book) | 80 course points |

Tentative Course Schedule

WEEK 1

Monday, May 31, 2021

Introduction

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Introduction: XVI-XLI.

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

Chapter 1: Prehistoric Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Prehistoric Art: 1-25.
- * Take Quiz 1
- * Watch award winning film "Cave of Forgotten Dreams" by Werner Herzog (2011); <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ieftFgu1wes>

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

Chapter 2: Art of the Ancient Near East

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Art of the Ancient Near East: 26-47.
- * Take Quiz 2

Thursday, June 3, 2021

Chapter 3: Art of Ancient Egypt

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Art of Ancient Egypt: 48-79.
- * Take Quiz 3

Friday, June 4, 2021

Chapter 4: Art of the Ancient Aegean

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Art of Ancient Greece: 80-99.

WEEK 2

Monday, June 7, 2021

Chapter 5: Art of Ancient Greece

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Art of Ancient Greece: 100-155.
- * Take Quiz 4

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Chapter 6: Etruscan and Roman Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Etruscan and Roman Art: 156-213.
- * Take Quiz 5

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

Chapter 7: Jewish and Early Christian Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Jewish and Early Christian Art: 214-231.

Thursday, June 10, 2021

Chapter 8: Byzantine Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Byzantine Art: 232-263.
- * Take Quiz 6

Friday, June 11, 2021

Chapter 9: Islamic Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Islamic Art: 264-293.
- * Take Quiz 7

WEEK 3

Monday, June 14, 2021

Chapter 10: Art of South and Southeast Asia before 1200

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Art of South and Southeast Asia before 1200: 294-329.

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Chapter 11: Chinese and Korean Art before 1279

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Chinese and Korean Art before 1279: 330-359.
- * Take Quiz 8

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

Chapter 12: Japanese Art before 1333

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Japanese Art before 1333: 360-381.
- * Take Quiz 9

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Chapter 13: Art of the Americas before 1300

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Art of the Americas before 1300: 382-407.

Friday, June 18, 2021

Chapter 14: Early African Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Early African Art: 408-427.
- * Take Quiz 10

WEEK 4

Monday, June 21, 2021

Chapter 15: Early Medieval Art in Europe

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Early Medieval Art in Europe: 428-457.
- * Take Quiz 16

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Chapter 16: Romanesque Art

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Romanesque Art: 458-493.
- * Take Quiz 11

Wednesday, June 23, 2021

Chapter 17: Gothic Art of the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries

- * Read Stokstad and Cothren: Gothic Art of the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries: 494-529.
- * Take Quiz 12

Thursday, June 24, 2021

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Friday, June 25, 2021

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