Design 201 Descriptive and Analytical Drawing for Designers

3 Credit Hours

Outcomes

Department of Industrial, Interior and Visual Communication Design

Course Instructor: **Details Ouarter:**

Time:

Office # Hours: Email: Phone:

Course Introduction to freehand drawing as a skill to communicate characteristics of Description

a represented subject as it pertains to Industrial, Interior and Visual Communication

Design. Emphasis will be placed on observational drawing as a tool to record, analyze and communicate information about natural and man-made subjects.

Objective Skill-building in seeing, perceiving and depicting man-made and natural objects:

> To develop individual techniques to explore, observe, understand, record, analyze and communicate information about a particular subject from a design perspective.

Context This is the first of a series of three courses that prepares the design student to develop

skills in visual thinking, problem solving and communication of design ideas.

Format This is a progress-oriented course that requires active student participation. The

class will meet 3 days per week for 2 hours each day. Class sessions will be

comprised of lectures, demonstrations, and assignments. An equal balance between theory and application is expected. Students will be expected to provide their own

drawing materials. Students will sometimes meet as a group at a location

consistent with the drawing exercise.

Learning At the end of the course, the student will have developed fluency in

> representational techniques in the context of Industrial, Interior and Visual Communication Design. He/she will be able to identify and manipulate drawing

techniques in order to support the communication objectives of their

representation. He/she should be able to isolate information and focus on specific areas of interest for exploration, study or for others to interpret through the use of

freehand drawing.

Course Techniques and applications of drawing

Lines and line quality used to depict edges and contours of form Content

Cross contour drawing for surface description

Positive and negative space as formal/compositional technique Light and shade values as tools to represent textures, materials

and 3D form

Texts Required: Ching, Francis. Design Drawing, Van Nostrand Reinhold, New

York, 1998

Suggested: Edwards, Betty. Drawing on the Right side of the Brain, Penguin Putman Inc, New York 1988

Media Bristol board paper, 11x 14 tracing paper, H pencils, B pencils, drawing pens

Requirements The following are expected of all students in the course:

- Attendance is mandatory. Any unexcused absences after 2 may result in a lowering of your grade by a letter. Contact the instructor if you will be late or absent (contact information is found above).
- Students will be expected to come to class prepared, work diligently, and do their absolute best in all projects and presentations.
- Class participation in critiques and final presentations is essential.
- All work must be completed by the scheduled due date

Grading Students grades will be based on the following factors:

- Commitment and effort
- Class work and participation
- Project exploration
- Communication clarity

Each drawing assignment is worth 25 points; the midterm is worth 100 points; the final exam is worth 100 points; active participation in critiques is worth 20 points each. Grade distribution is as follows:

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415-440 – A; 400-414 – A-

380-399 – B+; 365-379 – B; 355-364 – B-

340-354 – C+; 320-339 – C; 310-320 – C-

290-309 – D+; 270-289 – D

Less than 270 - E
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Assignments turned in late without instructor's previous permission will not be accepted. The final grade will be a product of the mean value of the individual assignments in addition to the instructor's assessment of work, craftsmanship, quality, progress and commitment. Any absences not called in will be considered unexcused.

Special needs If you need accommodation based on the impact of a disability you should contact the Office for Disability Services for assistance in verifying the need for accommodation and developing accommodation strategies. You are encouraged to contact them directly at 614-292-6207, 292-0901TDD or email: ada-osu@osu.edu and notify the instructor.

Academic Misconduct

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Escorts

Escort services for evening courses are available by calling 292-3322

Course Schedule

Week 1

Topics The visual system; the sense of sight

Drawing types

Freehand lines, parallel lines, upside down drawings

Blind contour drawing, contour drawing

Readings: Ching: Introduction, Chapter 1, pages 1-22 Drawing assignment 1: Contour drawing Bicycle (section)

Objective: to communicate details of parts, assembly, material and form

with the use of freehand lines

Week 2 Topics Drawing tools and materials

Lines and line quality, shape, contours and cross-contours

Readings: Ching: Chapter 1, pages 22-38

Drawing assignment 2: Capturing the movement of a hand *Objective*: to communicate characteristics of form and motion.

Drawing assignment 3: Cross contour of an object.

Objective: Explore and represent the volumetric form of a natural object and an industrial (designed and manufactured) object. Through the use of freehand lines, communicate the formal characteristics of the surface

Week 3 Topics Drawing tools and materials

Lines and line quality, shape, contours and cross-contours

Readings: Ching: Chapter 1, pages 22-38

Drawing assignment 4: Positive-negative shapes

Objective: to communicate an industrial design by suggesting it instead of directly depicting it. To understand shapes within shapes, framal reference

and how to allow a viewer to complete an implied image

Week 4 Topics Tone and texture

Readings: Ching: Chapter 2, pages 39-63 Drawing assignment 5: Tonal values

Objective: to communicate the three-dimensional qualities of a linear representation of an object /space. To communicate materials' characteristics though the use of tonal values

Week 5 Topics Spatial relationships

Structures and forms

Readings: Ching: Chapter 3, pages 65-79
Drawing assignment 6: (midterm assignment)

Objective: To communicate a visual study of a natural object. Develop a series of drawings in a composition that communicates information regarding form, size, materials, structure, texture, function and

environment, through freehand drawings

Midterm critique

Week 6 Analytical drawings

Midterm assignment due

Week 7 Topic Space and depth and scale

Readings: Ching: Chapter 4, Pages 82-100 Drawing assignment 6: Drawing of a public space

Objective: to communicate depth and relative scale, not absolute

dimensions.

Week 8 Topic Drawing structure

Readings: Ching: Chapter 4, Pages 100-109
Drawing assignment 7: 20 objects composition

Objective: To develop a strategy for organizing sequence and content in a

drawing, in order to clearly communicate intent

Week 8 Topic Composition and communication

Final drawing project: Compositional drawing

Objective: To communicate a visual study of a man-made designed object.

Develop a series of drawings in a composition that communicates

information regarding form, size, materials, structure, texture, function and

environment, through freehand drawings

Week 9 Putting it all together

Communication and documentation

Week 10 Documentation

Final critique

Week 11 Final exam