INSTRUCTORS INTRODUCTION
Hector G. Romero received his BFA in Painting and Drawing from the University of Texas at El Paso and his MFA in Painting from the University of California, Los Angeles. After living in New York City for fifteen years as an art book seller and working artist, Hector returned to El Paso in 2011.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Advanced Drawing 1: Life Drawing is a studio-based course that introduces students to drawing the human figure. Coursework will include direct observation and subsequent drawings from the model, with emphasis on achieving correct form and proportions. Other figurative subjects (students, mannequins, skeletons, etc.) will also be used as reference for drawings. Types of drawings to be done in class will include gestures, short studies, and prolonged drawings. The time devoted to the practice of drawing will also allow the student to develop and refine the drawing skills introduced in Basic Drawing I and II. Slide lectures featuring figurative artworks that relate to coursework will be given throughout the session. Critical assessment of drawings will be offered through individual instruction, small group critiques, peer critiques, and class critiques. Students will be expected to draw with concentration and commitment during class time and complete some out of class assignments.

Please note: although we make every effort to schedule a live model for most class sessions, there may be class days when no model is available. In those instances, other figurative source material may be used as subject matter.

COURSE PRE-REQUISITE INFORMATION
The prerequisites for Life Drawing I are ARTF 1301 Basic Design I and ARTF 1302 Basic Drawing I or instructor approval. Students who haven’t completed ARTF 1304 Basic Drawing II should take it concurrently with this course.

COURSE GOALS & OBJECTIVES
The goals and objectives for students in Advanced Drawing I include:
- gain competency in achieving correct form and proportions of the human figure
- development of the aesthetic aspect of their drawings
- gain exposure to art historical precedents and contemporary artists dealing with the figure
- further development of the ability to think and speak critically about artworks
- continued development and practice of the work ethic and commitment necessary to achieve the course goals and objectives

COURSE OUTCOMES
Students who successfully complete this course:
- will be able to render in an accurate manner the form of the human body through the effective use of contour line, value, proportion and foreshortening
- will have a greater understanding of figurative art, both historical and contemporary
- will show an awareness of the aesthetic aspect of figure drawing through creative use of the visual art elements in their drawings
- will have the ability to critically assess their own and other’s work

COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Student work will be reviewed throughout the course of the semester. Any collection of work will be announced in advance.
Students are expected to have a strong ethic, participate in class critiques, discussions, complete assignments on time, and become familiar with the language & terms applicable to the issues, history, and techniques of drawing.

COURSE EVALUATION:
Grading:
1st Review/Participation   Mid Term  50%
2nd Review/Participation  Final Term 50%

REVIEW & PARTICIPATION GRADE WILL BE BASED ON:
completion of assignments on time while demonstrating a comprehension & application of techniques presented in the course
• participation during critiques, discussions & attendance
• work ethic, no cell phone use & professional commitment
• progress & growth during the course of the semester

COURSE POLICIES
Attendance:
Your regular attendance is required. Roll will be taken every day at the beginning of class. It is impossible to make up drawings done directly from the model, so it is important that you attend every class, arrive on time, and stay to the end of class.

PLEASE NOTE: ONCE MODEL IS READY DOOR WILL BE LOCKED; IF YOU ARE LATE YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN UNTIL THE BREAK AND IT WILL COUNT AS ½ AN ABSENCE

After 2 absences, your midterm or final review grade where applicable will be lowered five points for every additional absence. Absences may be excused with official documentation for serious illness, death in the immediate family, or university sanctioned events.

Arriving to class late or leaving early counts as ½ absence.
Arriving any time past the designated start time of class is counted as late; leaving any time before the designated ending class of time is counted as leaving early. Please note if you arrive late you will not be allowed to enter the class until after the break.

Coming to class without the necessary materials to work with will count as half an absence. Each student needs to have his/her own set of materials; borrowing from other students is not acceptable.

Students with excessive absences and/or problems with arriving to class on time should consider dropping this course and retaking it at a time when the student can commit the proper attention to the course. Students whose attendance and work are considered below average may be withdrawn from the class by the instructor.

No extra credit is available to offset attendance problems.
COURSE POLICES REGARDING WORKING FROM THE NUDE MODEL:
• Cell Phones must be turned off during class. If you are expecting an emergency call/message please inform instructor.
• Absolutely no visitors are allowed during class time.
• No photographs may be taken of the model during class. This includes photos taken on cell phone cameras. Students caught taking photographs of the model without the model’s permission will be dropped from the class. At no time whatsoever are you to have your cell phone out.
• No comments about the model or directed to the model are allowed while the model is posing.
• Students must keep a respectable distance from the model while the model is posing.
• Help keep the drawing studio clean by cleaning up after yourself at the end of each class session.

Please direct any complaints or concerns about the model’s behavior to me.

Incompletes, Withdrawals, Pass/Fail:
Incompletes or “I” grades will be considered for students completing satisfactory or better work and having serious legitimate situations beyond their control requiring additional time to complete the course requirements. All “I” grades are at the discretion of the instructor and the approval of the Department chair.

Students hold the full responsibility for withdrawing from this course if that procedure is elected. Withdrawals must be completed on or before the final date to drop a course with a W. (APR. 1)

Student initiated drops are permitted after this date, the faculty member of record will issue a grade of W or F.

This is a grade-based course and is not available for audit or pass/fail options.

MATERIALS & PERSONAL EQUIPMENT
Portfolio (OPTIONAL BUT STRONGLY RECOMMENDED)
• 18” x 24” newsprint pad: a minimum of 2 pads strongly advised
• 18” x 24” drawing paper pad: a minimum of 2 pads strongly advised
• Four sheets of a good quality drawing paper 22”x 30” Stonehenge or Strathmore 400 Watercolor series, these are also sold at Art Center - TO BE ANNOUNCED
• Oil pastel crayons
• Various lead pencils, Alphacolor Char-Kole compressed charcoal , charcoal pencils,
• Sharpie markers, gel pens (black) Fine, ultra fine points etc.
• Bottle of black ink (China or India ) and set acrylic paint primary colors RED,YELLOW,BLUE and BLACK AND WHITE
• Flat brush
• Round brush
• Containers to mix ink washes
• Kneaded and plastic erasers
• 1” Masking tape (blue painters tape)or clips to hold paper to drawing boards

Additional supplies may be required.
The Art Department does not supply individual consumable materials.
PLAGIARISM/ACADEMIC DISHONESTY
CHEATING/PLAGIARISM: Cheating is unethical and not acceptable. Plagiarism is using information or original wording in a paper without giving credit to the source of that information or wording; it is also not acceptable. Do not submit work under your name that you did not do yourself. You may not submit work for this class that you did for another class. If you are found to be cheating or plagiarizing, you will be subject to disciplinary action per UTEP catalog policy. Refer to http://www.utep.edu/dos/acadintg.htm for further information.

DISABILITIES STATEMENT
I will make any reasonable accommodations for students with limitations due to disabilities, including learning disabilities. Please see me personally before or after class in the first two weeks or make an appointment to discuss any special needs you might have. If you have a documented disability and require specific accommodations, you will need to contact the Disabled Student Services Office in the East Union Bldg., Room 106 within the first two weeks of classes. The Disabled Student Services Office can also be reached in the following ways:
Web: http://www.utep.edu/dsso
Phone: (915)747-5148 voice or TTY
Fax: (915)747-8712
E-Mail: dss@utep.edu

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS
Please stay home if you have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms. If you are feeling unwell, please let me know as soon as possible, so that we can work on appropriate accommodations. If you have tested positive for COVID-19, you are encouraged to report your results to covidaction@utep.edu, so that the Dean of Students Office can provide you with support and help with communication with your professors. The Student Health Center is equipped to provide COVID 19 testing.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that people in areas of substantial or high COVID-19 transmission wear face masks when indoors in groups of people. The best way that Miners can take care of Miners is to get the vaccine. If you still need the vaccine, it is widely available in the El Paso area, and will be available at no charge on campus during the first week of classes. For more information about the current rates, testing, and vaccinations, please visit epstrong.org

Draw 2308-002
Advanced Drawing 1: Life Drawing

Course information
Course title: Draw 2308
CRN 29470
Course location: Prospect Hall 218
Meeting time: T/R 1:30-4:20
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