COURSE INFORMATION

Fall 2022 DRAW 4308 Advanced Drawing 6 CRN 11734
Tuesdays & Thursdays 1:30 pm - 4:20 pm, FOXA 453

Recommended texts:
Whitechapel Gallery Documents of Contemporary Art series
Vitamin D3: New Perspectives in Drawing by Editors of Phaidon, Phaidon Press

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Blackboard
Items posted to Blackboard include the course syllabus along with artist statement and test handouts, reference materials, website links, and any other important course communications and materials.

INSTRUCTOR INTRODUCTION

Therese Bauer received her BFA in printmaking and graphic design from Michigan State University and her MFA in drawing and printmaking from Eastern Michigan University. She has been teaching in the art department at UTEP since 1989. Courses taught include Basic Design, Art Appreciation, Printmaking I, and all levels of Undergraduate and Graduate Drawing.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

As a continuation of previous advanced drawing courses, DREW 4308 places emphasis on creating a consistent body of work that addresses the personal concerns and interests of the student with an awareness of contemporary issues in art. Students taking the class are expected to work with a high degree of focus, proficiency, and independence. It is expected that students taking this course are committed to exploring the possibilities offered by the drawing discipline and are willing to invest the necessary amount of time, work, and attention to fulfill this commitment.

In order to successfully achieve the quality and quantity of drawings expected for this course, students will need to devote a minimum of six hours of work time per week outside of class to supplement the six hours of in-person instruction. This time should be spent doing prep work, sketching, and working on drawings for your portfolio.

Course grades will be based on two portfolios of work including an artist statement, and two tests designed to acquaint students with well-known artists and developments in contemporary drawing. Students are encouraged to keep a sketchbook as a tool for image and concept development. Slide lectures will be given to provide examples, ideas, and influences. Critiques will be held for comparative evaluation and objective feedback regarding in-progress and finished work. Your work and participation are required at each critique.

COURSE PREREQUISITE INFORMATION

DREW 3328 or instructor approval.

COURSE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Students in DREW 4308 can expect to achieve greater technical proficiency with a wide range of drawing media and methods. They will also have the opportunity to develop an expanded knowledge of artists, ideas, and issues relevant to contemporary drawing. Students will continue developing the ability to speak and think critically regarding art images and issues. They can expect to develop a consistent body of work and relate that work to developments and issues in the contemporary drawing discipline.

COURSE OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this course, students can expect to
- show exploration, experimentation, and development in both the form and content of their work.
- have gained practice in, and an understanding of the various technical, material, and conceptual
approaches to image making possible in contemporary drawing.
- have developed an expanded knowledge of contemporary and historical artists and issues relevant to the drawing discipline.
- have improved their critical skills relevant to the discussion and analyzing of artworks.
- have made advances in focusing the scope and direction of their own personal imagery and be able to place their work within the context of the contemporary drawing field.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Two portfolios will be reviewed and graded during the semester. The number of drawings submitted for each portfolio must show evidence of 7 weeks’ worth of work at 12 combined (in and out of class) hours per week. The portfolios will be due at midterm and the last week of classes. A typed artist statement will also be due early in the semester.

Students are responsible for keeping me up to date with drawings they are doing outside of class. Portfolios containing work done exclusively outside of class won’t be accepted.

Individual drawings will not be graded. Your portfolios will be evaluated on the overall quality and the quantity of work completed, as well as on progress made with content and execution.

**Your portfolio grades will be based on:**
1. Aesthetic / visual strength of the work to include visual interest, drawing skills, compositional decisions, choice and use of materials, etc.
2. Conceptual strength of your work, to include originality, creativity, depth of ideas, and awareness of contemporary art issues.
3. Degree of growth, effort, experimentation, and ambition.
4. Amount of work completed relative to the nature of the work submitted.
5. Thoroughness of execution to include use of materials, craftsmanship, and presentation.
6. Artist statement.
7. Completion of work on time. *
8. Presentation of ideas, sources, and influences through sketchbook work and research.
9. Work ethic in class to include amount of time devoted to drawing; class conduct; and being prepared with materials and ideas. Class time shouldn’t be spent doing sketches or research - those are good activities for outside of class time.
10. Critique participation to include presentation of required work and verbal and/or written input.

*Portfolios arriving late (after the start of class at 1:30 pm) will be assigned a grade of D or F.

Students arriving more than five minutes late to critiques will not be allowed to display their artwork.

Two tests will be given and graded on an A B C D F scale. Information for each exam will be provided to study from at least one month prior to the exam date.

**Final grade breakdown:**
First portfolio 35%
Second portfolio 45%
Each test is worth 10%

**Doubling students** please note that on each portfolio due date you will be submitting two separate portfolios, each containing an appropriate amount of work relative to the drawings submitted, and for portfolio progress critiques you will be showing two separate groups of work (one for each class). Also, for each of the two tests you will have an additional test to study for covering different information from the main test. Your doubling tests will be given the same day as the main tests. And finally, you are required to submit two artist statements with varying content, one for each course.

Adjustments to the final grade will be made, if necessary, to reflect the student's attendance record. Plagiarism and / or cheating will result in disciplinary action and may affect your course grade.
COURSE POLICIES

It is the responsibility of the student to fulfill all the class requirements to the best of her/his/their abilities. If a student is unclear about anything in the syllabus, s/he/they should seek clarification from the instructor.

Attendance:
Under no circumstances should anyone come to class when feeling ill or exhibiting any of the known COVID-19 symptoms. If you do test positive for COVID-19 and have to quarantine, you should contact me as soon as possible so we can arrange appropriate accommodations regarding your coursework. If a student is unable to make up missed coursework due to COVID-19 illness, a grade of Incomplete may be considered. Be aware that information missed during an absence is the sole responsibility of the student. It is the student’s responsibility to stay current with missed work and assignments, and to stay in contact with the instructor regarding health status, recovery, and anticipated return to class. Use your UTEP email account to stay in contact.

Attendance Policy:
You are being graded not just on the work submitted in your portfolio, but also on your work ethic in class so your regular attendance is required, and you must be prepared with ideas and materials for each class. Attendance will be taken every class day at the beginning of class. If you miss a class, it's your responsibility to find out what we did that day. Please check in with me as soon as possible after your absence for information on the class day missed.

- After three absences, your final course grade will be lowered one letter grade per additional absence. Ex: A final grade of "A" becomes a "B" with 4 absences, a "C" with 5 absences, a "D" with 6 absences. Absences may be excused with proper notification for documented serious illness, child-care emergencies, death in the immediate family, or university sanctioned events. Scheduled appointments, transportation problems, and job demands are not excused absences.
- Arriving to class late or leaving early counts as 1/2 an absence.
- Coming to class without the necessary materials to work with will count as one absence.
- Students with excessive absences not due to COVID-19 illness 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.

Make-up tests will only be given in the event of a documented serious illness or injury that prevents the student from attending on test day. The make-up exam will be given no more than two class sessions after the original date of the exam provided the student has notified the instructor in advance, and the student has a valid excuse for missing the regularly scheduled exam.

Additional Course Policies:
- No food is allowed in the drawing studio.
- One 15-minute break per class session. You may not use your break to arrive late or leave early.
- Don’t use your cell phone to call or text during class; no social media, no playing/watching videos, movies, etc.
- You may listen to music with headphones as long as volume is kept down so music isn’t audible to the rest of the class.
- Help keep the drawing studio clean by cleaning up after yourself at the end of each class session.

Incompletes, Withdrawals, Pass/Fail:
Students hold the full responsibility for withdrawing from this course if that procedure is elected. Withdrawals must be completed on or before the course drop deadline to drop a course with a W. Students missing this deadline will be issued a grade for their performance in the course. 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.
MATERIALS AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

I suggest that you have a portfolio or sturdy cardboard tube large enough to keep your drawings/paper from getting damaged. In most cases the choice of drawing materials and surfaces will be determined by the student, although drawings done on basic drawing pad sheets or on newsprint are not acceptable for finished work and use of them will affect your portfolio grade. You should have a variety of both black and white and color drawing materials along with an assortment of papers with which to experiment. Some assigned drawings may require specific materials. Appropriate materials must be brought to each class session. Supplies may be purchased at Art Center, Hobby Lobby, Michaels, and at online sources such as Dick Blick (not recommended for paper), Utrecht Art Supplies, and Jerry’s Artarama. Additional online paper sources include acuitypapers.com, hiromipaper.com, legionpaper.com, takachpaper.com, and washiarts.com.

COURSE PLANNING CALENDAR FALL 2022

Course calendar is subject to change. Class days are devoted to studio work, slide lectures, and/or demos unless noted otherwise. Due dates for additional critiques may be added to the calendar.

August

TU 23: First day of class: Intro
TH 25: Class/work. Rubin Center openings 5:00 to 7:30 pm
TU 30: Class/work

September

TH 01: Class/work
September 05: Labor Day; no classes.
TU 06: Class/work
TH 08: Artist statement due at beginning of class; class/work
TU 13: Class/work
TH 15: Portfolio progress group critiques
TU 20: Class/work
TH 22: Class/work
TH 27: Class/work
TH 29: Class/work

October

TU 04: First test; class/work
TH 06: Class/work
TU 11: First portfolio due at 1:30 with critique
TH 13: First portfolio due at 1:30 with critique
TU 18: Class/work
TH 20: Class/work
TU 25: Class/work
TH 27: Class/work

November

TU 01: Class/work
TH 03: Class/work
TU 08: Class/work
TH 10: Class/work
TU 15: Class/work
TH 17: Second test; class/work
TU 22: Class/work on portfolio drawings
TH 24: NO CLASS - Thanksgiving
TU 29: Final portfolio due 1:30 pm with critique

December

TH 01: Final portfolio due 1:30 pm with critique
TH 08: Anytime between 1:00 pm and 3:45 pm
Pick up portfolio and test; remove all materials and supplies from drawing room.
ACCOMMODATIONS POLICY

The University is committed to providing reasonable accommodations and auxiliary services to students, staff, faculty, job applicants, applicants for admissions, and other beneficiaries of University programs, services and activities with documented disabilities in order to provide them with equal opportunities to participate in programs, services, and activities in compliance with sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA) of 2008. Reasonable accommodations will be made unless it is determined that doing so would cause undue hardship on the University. Students requesting an accommodation based on a disability must register with the UTEP Center for Accommodations and Support Services (CASS). Contact the Center for Accommodations and Support Services at 915-747-5148, or email them at http://cass@utep.edu, or apply for accommodations online via the CASS portal: https://www.utep.edu/student-affairs/cass/