

NorthWest Arkansas Community colleges
Division of Communications and Art
Art Department

Course Number and Title

ARHS 2913, Art History I

Catalog Description

Survey and analysis of movements and masterpieces of art from the Stone Age to the present. Art History I introduces the student to art forms from the Stone Age through the Middle Ages.

Prerequisites

Recommended Pre- or Co-Requisite ENGL 1013

Credit hours/Contact hours/load hours

3/3/3

Target Audience/Transferability

This course is designed for students seeking an optional fine arts elective for NWACC's Associate of Arts Degree and transfers to the University of Arkansas in lieu of the University's Art History Survey I. This course is also for students completing the art requirements for the two year NWACC Associate of Applied Science degree in Graphic Design. It is also an art core requirement for students completing NWACC's Associate of Fine Arts Degree in Art.

Learning Outcomes

- Identify selected works of art from prehistoric times to the Middle Ages
- Connect art and creative processes to social, cultural, and historical issues through written and/or oral analysis.
- Identify and explain the terms, methods, and modes of expression in media pertinent to the periods.
- Analyze and critique various art works through written and/or oral analysis.
- Use basic research skills in art history.

Topics

- Africa, Europe, and the Near East in the Stone Age
- The Art of the Ancient Near East
- The Art of Ancient Egypt
- The Art of the Prehistoric Aegean
- The Art of Ancient Greece
- The Art of the Etruscans
- The Art of Ancient Rome
- The Art of Late Antiquity
- The Art of Byzantium
- The Art of the Islamic World
- Early Medieval Art in the West

- Romanesque Art
- Gothic Art

Forms of assessment:

- Papers and short writing and/or oral presentations
- Small group work
- Tests