

Course Syllabus

Department : Photography
Course Title : History of
Photography
Section Name : PHTC 1313
Start Date : 01/17/2011
End Date : 5/13/2011
Modality : Web Based
Credits : 3.0

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Course Description

A historical survey of the technical and aesthetic development of photography. Topics include the beginnings of the medium, inventors, development of photographic equipment, styles of the creative masters, aesthetic themes, and the social impact of photography.

Prerequisites/Corequisites

None

Scans

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Course Objectives

To gain a basic knowledge and understanding of the history of photography, as well as its social and aesthetic impact on our culture.

Required Readings/Materials

Textbook

Seizing The Light: A Social History of Photography

Author: Robert Hirsch

2nd Edition

Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments)

Study Guides: I will post a study guide for each of the chapters we cover in the book. The study guides are completed online and located under the Study Guide button in the course menu. They will cover important dates, characters, innovations, processes, cameras, photographs, ideas and anything else I want you to remember. If you fill this in as you read the chapter it will be easier.

Tests: The tests will be over the chapter study guides and slide shows. Generally the tests will cover four chapters at a time. The tests will be located under the Test button on the course menu. There is really no reason you should not get an A on each of the tests because you will have your book as well as your study guide.

Slide Identification: I will be posting slides shows of important photographs and photographers both contemporary and historical. You will be expected to know the title of the photograph, the photographer, the process that was employed to create the image, and sometimes the year of the image. The slide shows will be located under the Slide Show button on the course menu.

Research project: You will write a 4 to 5 page research paper on a photographer of your choice, but I have to ok them first. Please see the research paper button in the course menu for a more in-depth description. The sooner you start the paper the sooner it is done.

Final Exam: The final exam will cover all of the tests and slide shows. But not to worry because you will have saved all of your previous tests so the answers for this will be a breeze.

Week 1

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description
<i>Intro week</i>		Introduction to the Course
Textbook		Purchase your Textbook

Week 2

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
<i>Chapter 1</i>	<i>Study Guide</i>		

Week 3

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

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Item(Name)			
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 2	Study Guide		

Week 4

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 3	Study Guide		

Week 5

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 4	Study Guide		

Week 6

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 5	Study Guide		

Week 7

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 6	Study Guide		

Week 8

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
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	<i>column</i>		
<i>Chapter 7</i>	<i>Study Guide</i>		

Week 9

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
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<i>Chpater 8</i>	<i>Study Guide</i>		

Week 10

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
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<i>Chapter 9</i>	<i>Study Guide</i>		

Week 11

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 10	Study Guide		

Week 12

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 11	Study Guide		

Week 13

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

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<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 12	Study Guide		

Week 14

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
<i>Enter assignment name here.</i>	<i>Enter type assignment/activity in this column</i>	<i>Enter description of the assignment in this column</i>	<i>Enter column</i>
Chapter 13	Study Guide		

Week 15

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
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Chapter 14	Study Guide		

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Week 16

Topic/Overview: This week focuses on

Summary of Week 1 Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	
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<i>Final Exam</i>			
Research Project		Research Project Due	
Extra Credit		Extra Credit Due	

Grading Policy

Method of Evaluation and Course Structure: Your grades in this course will be based on the successful completion of all chapter study guides, tests, slide identification, a research project, and the final exam.

Study Guides 45%

Tests 15%

Research Project 30%

Final Exam 10%

Special Needs

Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me

to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432-335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

Learning Resource Center (Library)

The Library, known as the [Learning Resources Center](#), provides research assistance via the [LRC's catalog \(print books, videos, e-books\)](#) and [databases \(journal and magazine articles\)](#). [Research guides](#) covering specific subject areas, [tutorials](#), and the "[Ask a Librarian](#)" service provide additional help.

The LRC has one of the largest collections of photographic resource materials in West Texas including periodicals, video and slide/audio tapes and photographic books.

Student E-mail

Please access your [Odessa College Student E-mail](#), by following the link to either set up or update your account: <http://www.odessa.edu/gmail/>. **All assignments or correspondence will be submitted using your Odessa College email.**

Student Portal

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Technical Support

For Blackboard username and password help and for help accessing your online course availability and student email account contact the Student Success Center at 432-335-6878 or online at https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm.

Important School Policies

For information regarding student support services, academic dishonesty, disciplinary actions, special accommodations, or student's and instructors' right to academic freedom can be found in the [Odessa College Student Handbook](#).