Course Description:
This course is an overview of the history of art from Prehistory through the Middle Ages. It aims to familiarize students with key monuments of the art of Europe, the Mediterranean, and the Near East, and to give them the tools to describe, analyze, and contextualize artworks.

Course Objectives:
- To gain familiarity with key monuments of art from the Prehistory to the Middle Ages.
- To identify and describe familiar monuments and artworks
- To compare and contrast familiar and/or unfamiliar monuments and artworks
- To describe and tentatively identify and contextualize unfamiliar artworks with reference to known artworks.
- To become familiar with the standard analytical tools of art historical inquiry, including formal, iconographic, and contextual analysis.

Requirements:
- Attendance and Participation 10%
- Section Activities 10%
- Short Paper 15%
- Midterm Exam 30%
- Final Exam 35%

The short paper will be a take home comparison, due at the time of class Monday, April 1. In preparation for the paper, you will read a brief text: Gordon Harvey, “Misuse of Sources,” Chapter 3 of Writing with Sources, 2nd ed. (Indianapolis: Hackett, 2008), 29-44. You will then take a short online quiz.

The midterm exam will take place in class on Wednesday, February 27. The final exam will take place on Monday, April 29, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in FAB 103.

Exams will include slide identifications, comparison questions that ask you to critically relate two or more art works, and longer essay questions. The final exam will include only material presented in the second half of the course. Images for exam study will be announced in advance and will be available via the E-learning site.

Important Dates

January 7: First Day of Class
January 11: Drop/Add Deadline
January 21: MLK Day, NO CLASS
February 27: Midterm Exam
March 4-8: Spring Break
April 1: Short Paper Due
April 11 and 12: No Regular Sections; HESCAH symposium attendance required for minimum 1 session or keynote (symposium April 12-13)
April 29: Final Exam

Email Policy

You are requested to use your UFL email as your primary email. Important information, including readings, assignments, etc., will be disseminated via the section list-serves. You are subscribed to the list-serve with your UFL email. Emails sent to the professor or to the graduate assistants will usually be returned within 48 hours.

Class Attendance/Demeanor Policy

Your prompt attendance is mandatory. You will be required to sign in at the beginning of each lecture and section. Repeated unexcused absences or habitual tardiness will result in a lowering of your attendance and participation grade. Please also see the UF attendance policy:

https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx#absences

Deadlines and Making-Up Missed Materials

Make-up or early exams can only be offered in exceptional circumstances, including those required by the DRC or Registrar’s office. Please make note of the midterm and final exam dates and times and plan to be in attendance. Extensions to deadlines will not be given except under exceptional circumstances. Each day late for any assignment will result in a lowered 1/3 letter grade for that assignment (A to A- for example).

Grading Scale

Grades are tabulated on a 100-point scale and a letter grade is assigned as follows:


If you have questions about how grade points are assigned by the University, go to:
https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Academic Honesty

The university’s policies regarding academic honesty, the honor code, and student conduct related to the honor code will be strictly enforced. Full information regarding these policies is available at the following links: Academic Honesty: http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/catalog/policies/students.html#honesty; Honor Code: http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/honorcodes/honorcode.php Student Conduct: http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/honorcodes/conductcode.php

Students with Disabilities
Every effort will be made to accommodate students with disabilities. Anyone requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide you with the necessary documentation, which you must then provide to me when requesting accommodation. Please make your request at least one week before the needed accommodation.

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**Provisional Course Outline:**

**WEEK 1**
1/7 Monday: Is there an Art History of Prehistory?

1/9 Wednesday: The First Cities

1/10 or 1/11 Section: Introduction

**WEEK 2**
1/14 Monday: The Assyrians and their Palaces

1/16 Wednesday: The Royal Afterlife in the Old Kingdom

1/17 or 1/18 Section: Art and Politics in Assyria

**WEEK 3**
1/21 Monday: MLK Day, NO CLASS

1/23 Wednesday: Continuity and Change in Egypt's Middle and New Kingdoms

1/24 or 1/25 Section: The Body in Ancient Egypt

**WEEK 4**
1/28 Monday: Egypt's New Kingdom Temples

1/30 Wednesday: Art of the Ancient Aegean

1/31 or 2/1 Section: Elements of Classical Architecture

**WEEK 5**
2/14 Monday: Vase Painting in Archaic and Classical Greece

2/16 Wednesday: Sculpture in Archaic and Classical Greece

2/17 or 2/18 Section: Style

**WEEK 6**
2/11 Monday: Greek Sculpture and Architecture
2/13 Wednesday: Athens and the Acropolis

2/14 or 2/15 Section: Art and Society in Classical Greece

WEEK 7
2/18 Monday: Alexander the Great and Hellenistic Art

2/20 Wednesday: The Etruscans, the Roman Republic, and the Age of Augustus

2/21 or 2/22: Midterm Review

WEEK 8
2/25 Monday: The Roman Villa and its Painting

2/27 Wednesday: Midterm Exam

2/28 or 3/1 Section: Storytelling in Roman Art

SPRING BREAK: 3/4 – 3/8

WEEK 9
3/11 Monday: Imperial Rome

3/13 Wednesday: Constantine and Early Christianity

3/14 or 3/15 Section: TBA

WEEK 10
3/18 Monday: Early Islamic Art

3/20 Wednesday: Age of Justinian and Byzantine Ravenna

3/21 or 3/22 Section: Sacred Space

WEEK 11
3/25 Monday: Iconoclasm

3/27 Wednesday: Arts of the “Barbarians”

3/28 or 3/29 Section: Arts of the Book

WEEK 12:
4/1 Monday: Another New Rome: Charlemagne
*SHORT PAPER DUE AT TIME OF CLASS*

4/3 Wednesday: Istanbul and Al-Andalus

4/4 or 4/5 Section: Pilgrimage and Architecture

WEEK 13
4/8 Monday: The Crusades
4/10 Thursday: Romanesque Pilgrimage Churches and Monasteries

4/11 and 4/12: No regular sections; REQUIRED attendance at least 1 session of HESCAH symposium OR keynote lecture, 4/12-4/13

WEEK 14
4/15 Monday: Telling Stories in the Romanesque

4/17 Wednesday: The Gothic Cathedral

4/18 or 4/19 Section: Final Exam Review

WEEK 15
4/22 Monday: Gothic Paris

4/24 Wednesday: Saint Francis

4/25 and 4/26: Reading Days

FINAL EXAM
04/29/2019
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
FAB 103