# Course Title
ART2305C - Perceptual Drawing

**Room:** FAD 101  
**Meeting Times:** MW, Periods 2-4 (8:30 AM-11:30 AM)  
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## Course Description
Development of drawing, design, philosophical, and critical skills for making observational and expressive works in drawing media.

## Learning Objectives
By participating in this class, the student will be able to:

- accurately represent perceptions in 2-d format  
- make informed choices in representation to promote the communication of content.  
- apply knowledge of historic and contemporary sources in the development of content.  
- use drawing and design skill to visually communicate abstract concepts  
- make informed choices in drawing tools and materials  
- apply a visual vocabulary of marks to achieve expressive outcomes  
- embody in critique the uses of representation and translation through historic and contemporary precedents.  
- describe his/her philosophy of drawing  
- critique works based on technical, aesthetic, and philosophical considerations.  
- be conversant in the embeddedness of drawing in all art practice.

## Skill Sets
Develop a full range of drawing skills and vocabulary of mark-making  
Accurate perceptual drawing  
Develop a thematic body of drawings  
Knowledge and application of 2D design principles  
Able to make informed choices about drawing tools and materials  
Develop critical vocabulary and research skills  
Develop understanding of the relationship between the history of art and contemporary art practice.

## Major Topics
1. Elements of Drawing: line, shape, volume, value, space, texture  
2. Principles of Art: Balance, Proportion, Rhythm, Emphasis and Unity  
3. Drawing Practices: contemporary, historic  
4. Philosophies of Drawing  
5. Drawing Media: contemporary and historic  
6. Critical Conversation about Drawing

The work from Drawing STUDIO will be graded on specific criteria defined by individual project goals. However, all projects will be graded on their success in the following areas: concept development, excellent design decisions, craftsmanship, risk-taking, experimentation, ambition, and meeting deadlines. These same guidelines apply to the sketchbook which also must be finished within the specified deadlines.
EVALUATION
The course grade for each student will be evaluated on the basis of:

- The completion and success of all in class and out of class exercises and drawings.
- Completion of all assigned readings and discussions.
- Attendance at all assigned field trips and lectures.
- Research – the conceptual tools you employ to inform your practice.
- Technical competence, craft, and inventive use of materials.
- Presentation – all work should be presented in a finished and professional manner.
- Effort, hard work, and a diligent, consistent effort toward excellence.
- Active participation and discussion.

GRADING
Letter Grade and Corresponding Grade Points

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Specific criteria for grading include: adherence to the assignment parameters, research/studio practice, concept development, formal resolution, and craft/presentation. Late projects will not be accepted.

Grade Scale:
A outstanding work
A- excellent work
B+ exceptional work
B above average work
B- average work
C+ solid average work – effort was made
C fulfills project objectives
C- does not fully meet project objectives
D+ below average work
D needs improvement – criteria for project have not been met
F unacceptable work and effort

(Note: A "C" represents satisfactory work, regular attendance, and successful accomplishment of the course. A grade of C- or below will not count toward major requirements)

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Generally, project grades in this course are considered in the following way:

A 4.0 Exceptional work, all criteria of assignment have been surpassed in a distinguished manner and solutions to problems presented exhibit a depth of understanding. In addition, student is engaged in exceptional studio practice, which includes active research, looking up artists recommended, asking relevant questions about other artists’ works or ideas, and being thoroughly engaged in the course content.

A- 3.67 Well-presented, superior work: all criteria of assignment were surpassed in a distinguished manner (including exceptional studio practice highlighted above). Minimal improvements could be made to the project overall.

B+ 3.33 Very good work: all criteria of assignment were surpassed, minor changes could be considered and executed to bring piece together and studio practice was exceptional.
B 3.0 Very good work: above average solutions and clear potential. Most criteria of assignment were surpassed with some improvements to be made. Execution was well done. Studio practice during the project was commendable.

B- 2.67 Good work: most criteria of assignment were met. Work showed promise with a few significant improvements to be made. Studio practice was adequate.

C+ 2.33 Slightly above average: work, most of the criteria of the assignment were met. The work is not yet a unified whole or cohesive statement, yet effort was made. Studio practice was adequate, but could be more reflective and thoughtful.

C 2.0 Average work: the assignment directions were followed and the requirements were met in a relatively routine way. Slippage in levels of craft, originality and presentation-studio practice was adequate, but could be more reflective and thoughtful.

C- 2.67 Slightly below average work: the assignment directions were followed and the requirements were minimally met, but there is much room for developing assignment’s concepts further. The level of craft and breadth and depth of idea development needs to be improved. There is some evidence of studio practice, but the quality and quantity is lacking.

D+ 1.33 Below average work: an attempt to solve the problem was made, but there is much room for improving skills and developing your concepts further. The criteria of the assignment are barely met. Basic craftsmanship skills have been neglected and there is a lack of breadth and depth of idea development. There is minimal evidence of studio practice, but the quality and quantity is lacking.

D 1.0 Inadequate, below average work: the requirements of the assignment are not addressed. The execution of the work is careless and represents an incomplete effort. Work is substandard. There is little or no evidence of studio practice.

D- .67 Unacceptable work and effort: the requirements of the assignment are not addressed. The execution of the work is careless and represents an incomplete effort. Work is substandard. There is little or no evidence of studio practice.

E 0 Unacceptable work and effort: the work submitted is inadequate; the requirements of the problem are not addressed. The piece represents careless and/or incomplete effort. No evidence of studio practice. Work is substandard. Or, assignment was not submitted.
Projects and Assignments – 70%
55% In class exercises and drawings
15% Final Portfolio

Classes will include exercises and/or work on more developed drawings that may occur over several class periods. Final Portfolio consists of the 8 drawing projects listed below. High quality photographs, no smaller than 1920 x 1920 pixels, and labeled (StudentLastName_Draw1_.jpg) should be burned to a CD. The CD should be labeled with your full name, class number and semester (Student Last, First Name, Art 2xxx, Fall 2013).
1. Cross-Contour Tree Trunk
2. Perspective Textures
3. Illuminated Full figure, Self Portrait
4. Dynamic tension: The Jungle
5. Frottage and Imprint
6. Approaching the Series

Sketchbook and Assignments – 20% – 10 homework projects/ 4 Sketchbook check

Participation – 10%

Participation includes arriving at studio ready to work, on time, with materials, studio clean up, following Health and Safety guidelines, and participation in critiques and class discussions. Your participation grade will be negatively affected by unexcused absences.

It takes time to make art. Explore the creative handling of techniques and materials and finish in the overall form—based on inspiration, expression, and intent. START EARLY-- work through each class to its end. Complete your work--this includes all facets of the assignment. Each student has a personal approach, aesthetic and level of technical experience. Use what you know while also challenging yourself.

For more information: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Students must earn a grade higher than C- to earn credit toward their major.

Drawing CORE STUDIO ATTENDANCE AND EXPECTATIONS

ATTENDANCE: Students are expected to attend ALL classes. You are required to work/participate the duration of the scheduled class period. Full participation by showing completed work during all scheduled critiques is required along with active participation through shared ideas and commentary.

Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each class. Your participation grade will be negatively affected by unexcused absences. If you are late three times it will be counted as an absence. Lateness of more than 30 minutes or early departure is considered an absence.

Absences will be cause for a lowered grade. Your fourth unexcused absence will result in a loss of 50% of your participation grade. A fifth unexcused absence reduce one letter grade of your final grade. The Sixth unexcused absence will result in failure of the course. Absences will be counted from the first class meeting onward.

Appropriate documentation from the student health service should be obtained for medical excuses. In general, acceptable reasons for absence from class include illness, serious family emergencies, special curricular requirements (e.g., judging trips, field trips, professional conferences), military obligation, severe weather conditions, religious holidays and participation in official university activities such as music performances, athletic competition or debate. Absences from class for court-imposed legal obligations (e.g., jury duty or subpoena) must be excused.


If an absence occurs it is the student’s responsibility to make up all work. Students should check with the instructor or another student outside of class time when they miss a class (prior to missing the class if possible), as in- and out-of-
class exercises are spontaneously assigned. Students should bring a doctor’s note for any class from which they expect to be excused. Please address any concerns, problems, and questions regarding this class to the instructor as they arise.

**LATE WORK:** All projects, reading responses, and research projects must be completed on time for full credit. Due dates are announced in class. Late work is not accepted. If the time line states that a project is due at the beginning of class, turning it in at the end or after class is considered late. You must have work finished before the start of class on critique days or your work will not be critiqued. It is the student’s responsibility to turn in all work on time. Full participation by showing completed work during all critiques is required along with active participation through shared ideas and commentary.

**CLASS COMMUNICATIONS:** Students should check their school email accounts regularly. Students are responsible for any information, deadlines, and updates emailed to their webmail accounts.

**CELL PHONES:** Students should have cell phones silenced during class time. If it beeps, chimes, rings or makes any type of noise, silence or turn it off before class. **Continuous cell phone disruptions will result in lowered grades.**

**UNIVERSITY POLICY FOR RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS:** The Board of Regents and state law govern university policy regarding observance of religious holidays: Students, upon prior notification of their instructors, shall be excused from class or other scheduled academic activity to observe a religious holy day of their faith. Students shall be permitted a reasonable amount of time to make up the material or activities covered in their absence. Students shall not be penalized due to absence from class or other scheduled academic activity because of religious observances. Further, a student who is to be excused from class for a religious holy day is not required to provide a second party certification of the reasons for the absence.

**UNIVERSITY ILLNESS POLICY:** Students who are absent from classes or examinations because of illness should contact their professors. If you’re unable to attend class due to illness, please email the teacher prior to class meeting time. Please state your name, class, as well as the reason you will not be attending class that day.

**UNIVERSITY AND SA+AH RESOURCES AND POLICIES:**

**GENERAL UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND SERVICES:** [http://www.dso.ufl.edu/](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/)

**ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES:** Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Disability Office — [http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/](http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/)

**UNIVERSITY COUNSELING SERVICES:** 352-392-1575  [http://www.counsel.ufl.edu/](http://www.counsel.ufl.edu/)
Resources are available on campus for students having personal problems or lacking clear career and academic goals which interfere with their academic performance. The Counseling Center provides counseling and consultation services to currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students and their spouses/partners. The Center offers brief counseling and therapy to help students confront personal, academic, and career concerns. The primary goal of counseling is to help students develop the personal awareness and skills necessary to overcome problems and to grow and develop in ways that will allow them to take advantage of the educational opportunities at the university. Counseling Center Web site: [http://www.counsel.ufl.edu](http://www.counsel.ufl.edu).

University Counseling Center, 301 Peabody Hall, 392-1575, personal counseling.

Student Mental Health, Student Health Care Center, 392-1171, personal counseling.
Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS), Student Health Care Center, 392-1161, sexual assault counseling.

Career Resource Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601, career development assistance and counseling.

**STUDENT HEALTHCARE CENTER:** [http://shcc.ufl.edu/](http://shcc.ufl.edu/)
For medical emergencies call 911.
For urgent after-hours care, call 352-392-1161.
For after-hours mental health assistance, call 352-392-1171.

**SAFETY AND SECURITY:**
In an emergency call 911.

**STUDENT NIGHTTIME AUXILIARY PATROL (SNAP):** SNAP provides nightly escorts anywhere on campus to persons on request. The service is staffed by students, equipped and supervised by the university police department. Escorts are routed on foot and driven trips. A person requesting an escort may contact SNAP via telephone at 392-SNAP (92-7627). The requester provides their first name, location of pick-up and destination to the dispatcher who determines the best method of meeting the requester's need. A walking or driving escort is dispatched, to their location.

**SA+AH HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICIES**

**HAZARDOUS WASTE SATELLITE ACCUMULATION:** Please make yourself familiar with the SA+AH Health and Safety Program at: [http://www.arts.ufl.edu/art/healthandsafety](http://www.arts.ufl.edu/art/healthandsafety) during the first week of class. Refer especially to the H&S Rules by Area sections pertaining to WARPhaus, Drawing and Painting. Each student will be asked to complete a H&S student waiver form (which will be given to you and signed during studio).

SA+AH facilities have an area designated for art materials/hazardous waste pickup. This area should NOT be used for art making and bins and storage containers utilized in this area should NEVER be moved or used for any other purpose. When in doubt about the safety or disposal of your art materials, please speak with faculty. A Handbook of Hazardous Wastes Disposal, Health and Safety will be posted at the studio for consultation as well.

**LOCKERS/STORAGE**
The SA+AH is not responsible for items in lockers. Please watch for posted signs on lockers regarding their use. Each student must share a locker with two students. You are responsible for keeping the locker form attached AT ALL TIMES to your lockers. Lockers will be cleaned out at the end of each semester. When storing materials, you must write your name on everything with a black marker, the course you are in and the instructors name. The SA+AH is not responsible for items left in classrooms.

**STUDIO USE**
Please read and respect studio use guidelines posted in classrooms. Do not pour solvents down sinks. Fixative must be sprayed in the FAC 2nd Floor spray booth—NO exceptions. Each student is responsible for assisting in studio clean-up. Your instructor will assign you a duty. The classroom should be organized at the end of each class 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the next class with the help of all students enrolled in the course.

**DRUG-FREE SCHOOL & WORKPLACE & CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT:** The School of Art and Art History is committed to upholding the policies set forth by the University of Florida in regards to drug and alcohol use and smoking in educational facilities. Possession and use of drugs or alcoholic beverages is not allowed in the classroom or outdoor areas. In addition, The Florida Clean Indoor Air Act of 1992 prohibits smoking in educational facilities. Violation of university policies and applicable laws is grounds for disciplinary action up to and including expulsion and does not preclude the possibility of criminal charges.

**GUIDELINES FOR USE OF CAMPUS FACILITIES AND GROUNDS**
**SHARED STUDIO:** Please leave the studio clean. Regardless of the condition you find it in, we request that you leave it clean for the next person. Remember to place all work in progress on the storage shelves. Leave the work tables clear and clean. This is a shared studio and we all need to work together to keep it a clean and productive environment.

**STUDIO PRACTICE:** The instructor and the School of Art and Art History are not responsible for student work left in workspaces, installation spaces, the critique space, the shops, or the classrooms. Projects/materials are not to be stored in the group working space. Each student is responsible for ensuring that his/her projects and materials are safely stored, displayed, installed, and removed from the classroom and critique space. Projects must be set up and removed from the critique space at the times and spaces designated for each project.

**POLICIES REGARDING BEHAVIOR IN LECTURES, CLASSROOMS, STUDIOS & OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL SPACES:** Please make every effort to maintain the facilities and grounds of the WARPhaus, the School of Art and Art History, the College of Fine Arts and The University of Florida. Specifically we ask that you follow these guidelines:

Do not mark, paint on or deface any interior or exterior of the school or college facilities. Take care to always use protective tarps, drop cloths or masking material when working with paint media or similar materials to protect the floors in public spaces such as hallways and classrooms. That applies also to the sidewalks walls, and grounds.

If a special project requires temporary modification to a wall surface or to the grounds you must obtain specific permission from your instructor prior to undertaking the project. The site must be returned to its original condition immediately following the project unless prior written permission has been obtained from the School of Art and Art History.

No Art project may interfere with or impede access to, classrooms, hallways or other public spaces.

All site-specific art projects must be installed and engineered with the safety of the general public in mind.

Grades will not be issued for the project, or the class, until the project has been completely removed, and the site has been restored to its original condition.

Failure to comply with these rules will result in disciplinary action, withholding of grades, the possible lowering of a grade, or failure of the course.

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**GUIDELINES FOR WORK IN THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY**

Proper care should be taken in order to assure all property in the surrounding area is respected and well maintained, and projects should be executed with public health and safety in mind. Vandalism of any kind will not be tolerated. As on campus, students doing site-specific work off-campus will be legally and financially accountable for any illegal or destructive actions. In addition, projects involving the greater community should be carefully considered and faculty must be consulted throughout. All public projects must be cleared by faculty and permission granted. Remember, that the School of Art and Art History at The University of Florida retains the power to require a more appropriate solution to any project that may violate any of the guidelines outlined above.

Please do not litter or leave materials out in the area. Respect property, surrounding businesses and the rights of individuals in the community. Failure to comply with these rules will result in disciplinary action, withholding of grades, the possible lowering of a grade, or failure of the course.
GUIDELINES FOR CONDUCT

Student Conduct Code; Violations, Penalties and Procedures for Adjudication.
http://www.aa.ufl.edu/aa/Rules/4016.htm

UF PHILOSOPHY: The University of Florida is an institution that encourages the intellectual and personal growth of its students as scholars and citizens. As an educational institution, the University recognizes that the transmission of knowledge, the pursuit of truth, and the development of individuals require the free exchange of ideas, self-expression, and the challenging of beliefs and customs.

In order to maintain an environment where these goals can be achieved safely and equitably, the University promotes civility, respect and integrity among all members of the community. As stated in the Standard of Ethical Conduct, students are expected to exhibit high standards of behavior and concern for others.

ACADEMIC HONESTY: As a result of completing the registration form at the University of Florida, every student has signed the following statement: "I understand that the University of Florida expects its students to be honest in all of their academic endeavors and understand that my failure to comply with this commitment may result in disciplinary action to and including expulsion from the University. Detailed Academic Honesty Guidelines may be found at http://www.aa.ufl.edu/aa/Rules/4017.htm

DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR: Faculty, students, Administrative and Professional staff members, and other employees [hereinafter referred to as "member(s)" of the University], who intentionally act to impair, interfere with, or obstruct the mission, purposes, order, operations, processes, and functions of the University shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action by University authorities for misconduct, as set forth in the applicable rules of the Board of Regents and the University and state law governing such actions. A detailed list of disruptive conduct may be found at http://www.aa.ufl.edu/aa/Rules/1008.htm. Be advised that you can and will be dismissed from class if you engage in disruptive behavior.

Changes To The Syllabus:
The faculty reserves the right to make changes to the course syllabus and course schedule. In the event that changes become necessary, students will be notified beforehand through email and in class.

Online Course Evaluation Process:
Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course based on 10 criteria. Faculty do not receive the results until after the grades have been finalized and posted. These evaluations are conducted online at https://evaluations.ufl.edu (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results (Links to an external site.)Links to an external site.