
Course content:
- Invent her/his personal style of painting using several media.
- Create a body of work that conveys a unified theme or technical approach.
- Employ contemporary art trends into her/his personal studio endeavors.
- Arrange a professional portfolio appropriate for admission to a four-year art program or for employment in the art field.

Student Learning Outcomes:
At the conclusion of this course, the student will invent, create, and present paintings employing contemporary art trends, arranged in a portfolio appropriate for submission to four-year institution or gallery. The student will critique works of art and attend class regularly.

Assessment Tool: Portfolio Rubric

Institutional Student Learning Outcomes: ISLO1, ISLO2

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Students who complete a degree or certificate at Imperial Valley College will demonstrate competency in these five areas: communication skills, critical thinking skills, personal responsibility, information literacy, and global awareness.

Note: Any student with a documented disability who may need educational accommodations should notify the instructor or the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSP & S) office as soon as possible. DSP & S, Room 22117, Health Sciences Building, 355-6312.

Methods of instruction:
There will be lecture, demonstration and audio-visual materials as well as class participation in exercises, painting and critiques.

Assessment:
Grades will be assessed on the following criteria:

| Participation in the class | 30% |
| Written assignment         | 10%  |
| Portfolio of paintings completed | 60%  |

Portfolio: There will be a minimum number of paintings required at the end of the semester. (See attached class projects.) A sample from each topic covered will be required. Some will be from directed assignments during class, and others will be a product of the students’ choice.

Portfolio Grading Rubric - Portfolio Grades are based on three major factors:
- Is the work conceptually inventive? Have you developed an interest in a particular genre resulting in a unique body of work? Were these ideas resonant, gripping, inventive, or memorable? Do your ideas address contemporary art issues? (33% of grade)

- Is the work visually compelling? Are your paintings energetic? Convincing? Have materials been used effectively? Are several media employed? Is the craft appropriate to the concept? (33% of grade)
- How substantial is your learning process? Do you bring intensity, commitment, and energy to class? Do you arrive on time, prepared to work? Do you take risks? Are your contributions to critiques substantial? (34% of grade)

**Required Midterm and Final Portfolio review:** At the middle and end of the semester, the instructor will view and grade all the work completed during the semester by each student. Students will make an appointment with the instructor for this purpose. Appointments will take place for Midterm: Tuesday, April 20 and Thursday, April 22. Final Critique will be Thursday, June 3. Final appointments will be Tuesday, June 8.

**Note:** the only way for you to get credit for the paintings you do, is to attend a Midterm and Final Portfolio Review. If I do not see your work, and grade it, you do not get credit for it. You must sign up for an appointment to have your work reviewed on the above dates.

**Attendance:** Attendance is required. A substantial amount of work is done in class. Portfolios are comprehensive, not selective, which means you must complete every assignment. If you miss more than 4 classes (for any reason), you should expect a final grade of D or below for the term. Incompletes can be granted when a major illness or other serious emergency has prevented completion of work for the term.

The first hour of class will be devoted to instructions on the day's work, demonstrations, and critiques. Do not arrive late: it is better to be 15 minutes early than 5 minutes late!

If you do not bring your materials to class, ready to work, you are absent. You receive points per class for being on time with your materials, ready to work.

**Friends Attending Class Policy:** Only students registered for this course may attend class.

**Written assignment:** During the semester, a written critique assignment will be assigned. This will be personal opinion responses, and should be thoughtful and insightful. Plagiarism will result in an immediate failing grade. Do not simply copy and paste phrases and sentences from Internet sources or your friends' or relatives' work. See attached writing assignment rubric.

**Lab Fee:**
Student lab fees go towards IVC provided paint, canvas, stretcher bars, canvas boards, paint thinner (citrus only), painting medium and some other classroom supplies which total way more than the $25 lab fee per student. Be prepared to buy some materials. Not all materials will be supplied.

**What you are responsible for:**

**Brushes:**
You need at least a couple round or filbert (rounded off flats) natural bristle brushes for oils ranging from small to large. You might want to get one size 8 sable round.

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<td>A sketch book, no smaller than 8 1/2 by 11 inches, but can be larger.</td>
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Daniel Smith, 1-800-426-6740  www.danielsmith.com
Utrecht, 1-800-223-9132  www.utrecht.com
Dick Blick, 1-800-828-4548  www.dickblick.com
Cheap Joes, 1-800-227-2788  www.cheapjoes.com - mostly for watercolor, but you might find something here

Suggested reading:

Scheduled critiques (since you will be working on your own projects at your own speed, please just show what you have and explain it):

Tuesday, March 9  Tuesday, March 30
Tuesday, April 27  Tuesday, May 16
Thursday, June 3 - final critique

The following are the Painting Projects being done by Art 126. You are welcome to use them to inspire you as well (your choice):

All must be at least 16” by 20” on canvas board or stretched canvas, or specified materials. You cannot get an "A" if all the perimeters of the assignment are not met or if the work is late or incomplete for the critique. You must be in communication with the instructor on each project. Paintings that simply "appear" at the critique will be graded down.

These projects and due dates are subject to change at the discretion of the instructor:

1. Realist using grisaille (pronounced griz-eye) technique: this may be anything from a still life set up to the cars in the parking lot, anything that you find interesting to paint in a representational style. Due for critique on Tuesday, March 9.

2. Now add content: surrealist, narrative or psychological using the human figure. How subtly can you tell a story? Can you put a situation together that has a feeling of tragedy, intrigue or horror or mystify viewers and draw them into your work? Aim for expressiveness. Due for critique on Tuesday, March 30.

3. Painting with a word as an element. The goal of this painting is for you to learn to plan out your work and consider variations and other possibilities before settling on one composition while learning about the adding content and meaning. All too often students miss the point of developing ideas - your best idea is not your first idea. Push yourself to make discoveries and add complexity to your work. Consider not only the meaning of the word or words you choose, but also connotations, double meanings, history and type face. You will need pencil or pen and paper such as a sketchbook for this one.

Process: Draw ten 5" by 5" or so "thumbnail sketches" trying many different solutions. One painting and 10 sketches are required. Your work will be considered incomplete if sketches are not included with the painting - do not start in on the painting without doing the sketches first.

- Painting and sketches due for critique on Tuesday, April 27.

4. Collage/found object painting. This is a painting that becomes an object itself. Look for different textures and relationships, build on a theme to heighten effect and meaning. You may not BUY anything to produce this painting - and no CRAFT projects. Due for critique on Tuesday, May 16.

5. Final Capstone project adds time as an element or site specificity. Work on this while you're working on another painting or at home. NOTE: I want to know what you are working on and be in consultation with you about it. This may be an installation or a series of paintings meant to hang together or book - turning the pages takes the viewer/participant time to look. Work along these lines. It may have pages or be folded. It may be made from canvas, wood, Masonite, or?? It might be stitched together or held together with grommets. It might be a cube or sculptural. But it's not a scrapbook! Due for critique on Thursday, June 3.
## ART 226 ESSAY: SCORING GUIDE

250 Points Possible

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<td><strong>Description</strong></td>
<td>□ Describes the visual appearance of work of art in detail (subject-matter and arrangement). (70 points)</td>
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<td><strong>Analysis</strong></td>
<td>□ Analyzes the Style and the use of all of the Visual Elements and demonstrates a close engagement with the work of art. (90 points)</td>
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