#### **ART 28A Course Outline as of Fall 2019**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: ART 28A Title: BEGINNING ETCHING

Full Title: Beginning Etching Last Reviewed: 8/27/2018

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	2.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	35.00
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	4.00	6	Lab Scheduled	70.00
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	6.00		Contact Total	105.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 70.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 175.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

#### **Catalog Description:**

Use of the etching process as a means of artistic expression. How to etch, ink, and wipe a plate to produce multiple like-images through a series of structured projects. Presentation of the fine print, including care of prints, numbering of editions, and matting techniques.

# **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

# **Recommended Preparation:**

Course Completion of ART 7A

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Recommended: Course Completion of ART 7A

Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

# **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Fall 1981 Inactive:

CID:

# **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

# **COURSE CONTENT**

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Use principals of design to compose images for intaglio printmaking
- 2. Achieve proficiency using a range of intaglio processes
- 3. Give and receive constructive feedback of artwork

#### **Objectives:**

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Create a portfolio of intaglio prints that utilize the techniques covered in this class.
- 2. Apply aspects of drawing and composition when working the plate.
- 3. Use all basic etching processes and be familiar with the steps involved in processing the plate.
- 4. Learn about color printing including chine-collé and a la poupée.
- 5. Demonstrate a familiarity with printmaking history and accompanying vocabulary terms.
- 6. Use safe studio practice for solvents, chemicals and inks.
- 7. Develop hand skills for manipulating the plate and inking.
- 8. Appropriately set up work areas and thoroughly clean up afterwards.
- 9. Pull consistent impressions appropriate for an edition.
- 10. Participate in formal group critiques.

#### **Topics and Scope:**

All topics are addressed in both lecture and lab components of this course.

- I. Etching Materials Employed
  - A. Papers chosen for proofing and editioning
  - B. Inks and mixing for different applications
  - C. Metals and acids used together
  - D. Blotting of final prints and proper curation
  - E. Solvents and resists for etching

- II. Use, Care, and Safety of Tools and Equipment
  - A. Acid baths
  - B. Grounds and resists
  - C. Printing press
  - D. Aquatint box versus hand-dusting
  - E. Hand tools (including needle, scraper, file, draw knife, and burnisher)
- III. Basic Approaches to Metal Plate Etching
  - A. Drypoint
  - B. Image or transfer and reversal: flat-line etch
  - C. Staged line etch and state proofing
  - D. Aquatint (using box)
  - E. Soft ground transfer
  - F. Combined techniques
- IV. Printing Functions of Etched Plate
  - A. Variable edition
  - B. Unique color proof
  - C. Edition of like prints
  - D. Working and stage proofs
  - E. Printing on different papers /different formats
  - F. Matting techniques
- V. Vocabulary and Aesthetics Related to Historical and Contemporary Examples of Etching

## **Assignment:**

All assignments relate to both lecture and lab components of this course.

- 1. A portfolio consisting of five to six of the following:
  - A. Flat-line etch
  - B. Staged line etch
  - C. Aquatint trial
  - D. Aquatint #2
  - E. Softground transfer
  - F. Relief rolled transparency
  - G. Photo Etching
- 2. Optional: 2- to 4-page report on a particular print by an artist of world consequence
- 3. Participation in class discussions and critiques
- 4. Prepratory sketches for all assignments
- 5. Presentation of accumulative portfolio

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

**Optional Report** 

Writing 0 - 10%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Design and preparation for printing and etching assignments

Problem solving 25 - 35%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Studio practices; etching plates, printing. Presentation of accumulative portfolio

Skill Demonstrations 40 - 60%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

None

Exams 0 - 0%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation in critiques

Other Category 15 - 25%

# **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

The Printmaking Bible: The Complete Guide to Materials and Techniques. Hughes, Ann D'Arcy, and Vernon-Morris, Hebe. Chronicle Books. 2008 (classic)

The Complete Printmaker: Techniques, Traditions, and Innovations. Ross, John and Romano, Clare and Ross, Tim. Simon & Schuster. 1991 (classic)

Etching, Engraving, and other Intaglio Printmaking Techniques. Leaf, Ruth. Dover Publications. 1984 (classic)

Printmaking: History and Process. Saff, Donald and Sacilotto, Deli. Holt, Rinehart and Winston. 1978 (classic)