

Course Syllabus

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CS 71.11 - Adobe Illustrator

Sections 5370, 4637, 5310: Spring 2020

Welcome to CS 71.11 - Adobe Illustrator!

Please make sure you read all the information on this page!

Thank you!

A first day Welcome Announcement will be posted on our Canvas Home page. *In general, I will be communicating via the Canvas **Announcements** on the Illustrator Canvas Home page, so please check there for updates weekly. You can also get these sent to you in your Canvas Account **Notifications***

Course Description

This course covers the popular graphics software program Adobe Illustrator. Topics include the creation, modification and formatting of vector objects and type, importing/exporting graphics, live effects, and other Illustrator tools.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to:

1. Identify Illustrator interface elements.
2. Construct documents utilizing basic vector shapes, text, and raster graphics.
3. Determine the appropriate file format for various usages when saving and exporting Illustrator files.

Class Meetings

Depending on your Section #, you will be meeting online or in-person. **Homework & Tests are all submitted online.** Online students are welcome to attend the in-person class (and this is encouraged if you find yourself having trouble with the online work.)

Instructor Contact

[E. Hansen](#) (<https://profiles.santarosa.edu/emily-hansen>)

Email: Please email through the **Canvas inbox** during the semester

Office Hours:

- **Tuesdays: 5:00pm-6:00pm** - CS Dept Offices (or in 2926 Maggini if no class there before Illustrator)
- **Thursdays: 11:00am-12:00pm** - CS Dept Offices (or in 2920 Maggini if no class there before Photoshop)
- **Thursdays: 4:00pm-5:00pm** - online (ConferZoom, phone, email)

I usually respond to emails within 24 hours on weekdays, 48 hours on weekends (late Friday through Sunday & Holidays).

Course Web Site

Students (both online & in-person) will use the Canvas course web site for assignment instructions, required reading, required videos*, submitting assignments, viewing classmates' work, sharing resources, and viewing grades.

***Note:** Not all videos required for the class are captioned. Contact the instructor as soon as possible if you will need captions.

Textbook

There are no textbooks required for this course this semester. However, I am **recommending Adobe Illustrator Classroom in a Book**. (and will most likely make it required next semester.) I have been trying to maintain a PDF for many years, but Illustrator has been changing too fast, so I am going to teach to this book. The **2019 version** (https://smile.amazon.com/Adobe-Illustrator-Classroom-Book-Release/dp/013526216X/ref=sr_1_3?crid=D5CQZSDI5E6R&keywords=adobe+classroom+in+a+book+2019&qid=1577661434&srefix=adobe+class%20Caps%20203&sr=8-3) is currently published, and the **2020 version** (https://smile.amazon.com/Adobe-Illustrator-Classroom-Book-release/dp/013641267X/ref=sr_1_2?keywords=adobe+classroom+in+a+book+2020&qid=1577661654&sr=8-2) will be out soon. Either is ok by me. The Library has a copy of the 2019 version.

The textbook can be found online in web or print version (to buy or rent) on Amazon. The bookstore should have some copies as well, and the library should have one on reserve.

2019 version: https://smile.amazon.com/dp/013526216X/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_U_nVreEb9KZJRHX
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2020 version (out January 7th - **please note** that I do not currently know which version of Illustrator will be on our classroom computers): https://smile.amazon.com/dp/013641267X/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_U_IXreEbT1VRK53

All others materials will be accessed through Canvas.

Required Software

- **Adobe Illustrator CC** (<http://www.adobe.com/products/illustrator.html>) - **2019+ version** - Note: you can use this for free in the campus computer labs, library, and during class. You can also find discounts on the Adobe Creative Cloud at [CollegeBuys.org](https://shop.collegebuys.org/articles/Adobe_Dept_Landing_Page.htm?Layout=) (https://shop.collegebuys.org/articles/Adobe_Dept_Landing_Page.htm?Layout=), or on the [Adobe website](http://www.adobe.com/creativecloud/buy/students.html?promoid=65FN7X8B&mv=othe) (<http://www.adobe.com/creativecloud/buy/students.html?promoid=65FN7X8B&mv=othe>).
- **If you have an older version of Illustrator**, you should be able to complete *most* of the assignments for this class. I do not teach to the older versions, so you are responsible for identifying the differences. *It will also be your responsibility to contact me in advance and/or find a more current version if you find you cannot complete a project.*
- You may need Acrobat Reader to view PDFs. On the Macintosh, you can also use the Preview app.

Important Dates

Day Class Begins: 01/13/2020

Day Class Ends: 05/15/2020

Final: 05/19/2020

Last Day to Add without instructor's approval: 01/19/2020

Last Day to Drop with refund: 01/26/2020

Last Day to Add with instructor's approval: 02/02/2020

Last Day to Drop without a 'W' symbol: 02/02/2020

Last Day to Opt for Pass/No Pass: 02/23/2020

Last Day to Drop with a 'W' symbol: 04/19/2020

Please use the [Academic Calendar](https://admissions.santarosa.edu/academic-calendar) (<https://admissions.santarosa.edu/academic-calendar>) to confirm these dates.

Dropping the Class

If you decide to discontinue this course, it is ***your responsibility*** to officially drop it. A student may be dropped from any class when that student's absences exceed ten percent (10%) of the total hours of class time. It is strongly advised that if you need to miss more than one class/homework deadline in a row that you contact the instructor to avoid being dropped from the class.

Attendance

For face-to-face courses, students who fail to attend the first class meeting may be dropped by the instructor. For classes that meet online, students who fail to log on and initiate participation by 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time of the first day of the class may be dropped by the instructor.

Pass-No Pass (P/NP)

You may take this class P/NP. You must decide before the deadline, and add the option online with TLC or file the P/NP form with Admissions and Records. With a grade of C or better, you will get P.

You must file for the P/NP option by the date listed above. Once you decide to go for P/NP, you *cannot* change back to a letter grade. If you are taking this course as part of a certificate program, you can probably still take the class P/NP. Check with a counselor to be sure.

Instructor Announcements

The instructor will post announcements on the "Home" page in Canvas throughout the semester. Canvas notifies students according to their preferred Notification Preferences.

Late Policy

All assignments are due at 11:59pm on the due date. A late submission will receive a 3% penalty *per day late*.

Exams

There will be online midterm and final exams. The material comes from the book, required reading (class lectures notes), videos/in-person lecture, and supplemental materials. If any exam is missed, a zero will be recorded as the score. No late submissions will be allowed without prior arrangement. It is your responsibility to take the exams by the due date.

Grading Policy

Click the "Grades" link in Canvas to keep track of your grades. I usually grade once a week and post grades and comments in the Canvas gradebook.

Regardless of points, all assignments are placed in weighted categories as a portion of your overall grade:

- Projects - 40%
- Discussions - 10%
- Quizzes - 20%
- Assessment - 30% (including midterm & final projects)

Grades will be assigned as follows:

Grade

Percentage

Grade	Percentage
A	90% - 100%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%

If taking Pass/No Pass (C/NC) you need at least 70% of the total class points and complete the midterm exam and the final exam to pass the class.

Standards of Conduct

Students who register in SRJC classes are required to abide by the SRJC Student Conduct Standards. Violation of the Standards is basis for referral to the Vice President of Student Services or dismissal from class or from the College. See the [Student Code of Conduct page](http://www.santarosa.edu/for_students/rules-regulations/student-conduct.shtml) [_ \(http://www.santarosa.edu/for_students/rules-regulations/student-conduct.shtml\)](http://www.santarosa.edu/for_students/rules-regulations/student-conduct.shtml).

Collaborating on or copying of tests or homework in whole or in part will be considered an act of academic dishonesty and result in a grade of 0 for that test or assignment. Students are encouraged to share information and ideas, but not their work. See these links on Plagiarism:

[SRJC Writing Center Lessons on avoiding plagiarism](http://srjcwrittingcenter.com/research/plagiarism/plagiarism.html) [_ \(http://srjcwrittingcenter.com/research/plagiarism/plagiarism.html\)](http://srjcwrittingcenter.com/research/plagiarism/plagiarism.html).
[SRJC's statement on Academic Integrity](http://www.santarosa.edu/polman/3acadpro/3.11P.pdf) [_ \(http://www.santarosa.edu/polman/3acadpro/3.11P.pdf\)](http://www.santarosa.edu/polman/3acadpro/3.11P.pdf)

Special Needs

Every effort is made to conform to accessibility standards for all instructor-created materials. Students should contact their instructor as soon as possible if they find that they cannot access any course materials. Students with disabilities who believe they need accommodations in this class are encouraged to contact [Disability Resources](https://drd.santarosa.edu/) [_ \(https://drd.santarosa.edu/\)](https://drd.santarosa.edu/) (527-4278).

List of assignments

Note to students: the assignments listed below (in Canvas) are not necessarily all of the assignments (*and may change if you are viewing before the start of class*).

Course Summary:

Date	Details
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