

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2008
REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2020

April 2026

**COURSE TO BE REVIEWED** (six years after UEC approval):

Course outline form version: 05/18/2018

# OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

Course Code and Number: AH 200	N	Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)					
Course Full Title: Art History and Its Method	s						
Course Short Title:	ortmonto move	rocommand a	abort titla	if and is needed. If left hi	ank and will be assigned )		
(Transcripts only display 30 characters. Departments may recommend a short title if one is needed. If left blank, one will be assigned.)							
Faculty: Faculty of Humanities	D	Department (or program if no department): Visual Arts					
Calendar Description:							
An introduction to a variety of critical approaches to the study of art, emphasizing the value of applying different theoretical methods to enrich and broaden an understanding of the visual arts.							
				story course or 15 university-level credits. Note: As of change to the following: 15 university-level credits.			
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):	NONE						
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE): NONE							
Antirequisite Courses (Cannot be taken for	additional cre	dit.)	Special Topics (Double-click on boxes to select.)				
Former course code/number:			This course is offered with different topics:				
Cross-listed with:			No ☐ Yes (If yes, topic will be recorded when offered.)				
Dual-listed with:				Independent Study			
Equivalent course(s):			If offered as an Independent Study course, this course may				
(If offered in the previous five years, antirequisite course(s) will be			be repeated for further credit: (If yes, topic will be recorded.)  No Yes, repeat(s) Yes, no limit				
included in the calendar description as a note that students with credit for the antirequisite course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.)							
, ()				Transfer Credit			
Typical Structure of Instructional Hours			Transfer credit already exists: (See bctransferguide.ca.)				
Lecture/seminar hours		30	□ No □ Yes				
Tutorials/workshops		15	Submit outline for (re)articulation:  No Yes (If yes, fill in transfer credit form.)				
Supervised laboratory hours							
Experiential (field experience, practicum, internship, etc.			Grading System				
Supervised online activities			□ Letter Grades □ Credit/No Credit				
Other contact hours: Student directed learning			Maximu	Maximum enrolment (for information only): 25			
	Total hours	45		ed Frequency of Course			
Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture	☐ Yes	-	Annually (Every semester, Fall only, annually, etc.)				
Department / Program Head or Director: Heather Davis-Fisch				Date approved:	May 24, 2019		
Faculty Council approval				Date approved:	October 19, 2019		
Dean/Associate VP: Jacqueline Nolte				Date approved:	October 19, 2019		
Campus-Wide Consultation (CWC)				Date of posting:	February 21, 2020		
Undergraduate Education Committee (UEC) approval				Date of meeting:	April 24, 2020		
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#### **Learning Outcomes:**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Explain a variety of critical approaches to the visual arts.
- Use a specialized terminology relevant to the discourses of critical theory.
- Engage critically in the analysis of historical and contemporary approaches to visual arts.
- Apply these critical approaches and associated terminology in assignments, discussions, and exams to enhance and expand an appreciation of the visual arts.
- Demonstrate how to select and apply theoretical methods to the study and making of art.
- Source and contextualize images ethically.

# **Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)**

**Typical Instructional Methods** (Guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.; may vary at department's discretion.) Lecture, discussion, seminar.

#### NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

Ту	Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (If more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form.)							
	Author (surname, initials)	Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year			
1.	Hatt, M. and C. Klonk	Art History: A Critical Introduction to Its Methods		Manchester UP	2006			
2.	Adams, L. S. The Methodologies of Art: An Introduction			Westview Press	2010			
3.	d'Alleva, A.	The Methodologies of Art: An Introduction		Laurence King	2012			
4.	Minor, V.H.	Art History's History		Pearson	2000			
5.	Freeland, C.	But is It Art?: An Introduction to Art Theory		Oxford UP	2002			

Required Additional Supplies and Materials (Software, hardware, tools, specialized clothing, etc.)

#### **Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting**

Final exam:	20%	Assignments:	30%	Field experience:	%	Portfolio:	%
Midterm exam:	20%	Project:	30%	Practicum:	%	Participation::	%
Quizzes/tests:	%	Lab work:	%	Shop work:	%	Total:	100%

## Details (if necessary):

## **Typical Course Content and Topics**

- 1. Testing our assumptions: the value of critical theory in the visual arts
- 2. Biography and autobiography
- 3. The emergence of methods in art history
- 4. Visual supremacy Connoisseurship and attribution
- 5. Pictorial form and narrative: Formalism, iconography, iconology
- 6. History, economics, politics and art: Marxist and materialist approaches
- 7. Art and inclusiveness: Gender discourse, feminism, queer theory
- 8. Art and perception: Psychoanalysis, reception theory
- 9. Sign and image: Semiotics
- 10. Art and the world: Cultural studies, post-Colonialism
- 11. Art and meaning: Hermeneutics, structuralism
- 12. Art, knowledge, and interpretation: Post-structuralism, deconstruction
- 13. Art now: Postmodernism