

ORIGINAL COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2005 REVISED COURSE IMPLEMENTATION DATE: September 2018 COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (six years after UEC approval) February 2024

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OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

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

Course Code and Number: AH 203			Number of Credits: 3 Course credit policy (105)							
Course Full Title: History of Posters – The	Art of Persua	asion								
Course Short Title (if title exceeds 30 characters): History of Posters										
Faculty: Faculty of Humanities		Depa	Department (or program if no department): Visual Arts							
Calendar Description:										
Posters have played a role in times of revolution, war, protest, and for cultural and commercial circulation. Investigation of world posters will address the artistic, socio-political, and economic motivations behind their production as well as their diverse audiences and contexts.										
Prerequisites (or NONE):	None.									
Corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):										
Pre/corequisites (if applicable, or NONE):										
Equivalent Courses (cannot be taken for additional credit)				Transfer Credit						
Former course code/number:			Transfer credit already exists: ⊠ Yes □ No							
Cross-listed with:				Transfer credit requested (OReg to submit to BCCAT):						
Equivalent course(s):				Yes No (if yes, fill in transfer credit form)						
Note: Equivalent course(s) should be included in the calendar description by way of a note that students with credit for the equivalent course(s) cannot take this course for further credit.				Resubmit revised outline for articulation: Yes No To find out how this course transfers, see						

Learning Outcomes

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

- Identify the historical circumstances artistic, political, social, and economic leading to the production of posters
- Articulate the various functions of posters
- Compare and contrast the methods employed for the efficacy of posters, both at the time of their production and in the contemporary art market
- Analyze critically specific strategies of visual communication
- Demonstrate specialized vocabulary when describing posters as cultural objects combining image and text

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Prior Learning Assessi		•	•							
⊠ Yes ☐ No, PLA	AR cannot	be awarded for this	s course beca	use						
Typical Instructional M	ethods (g	juest lecturers, pres	entations, onlir	ne instruction, field trip	os, etc.; ma	ay vary at department's o	discretion)			
Lectures, seminars, group	discussion,	written assignment,	oral presentation	on						
Grading system: Letter	Grades:		it: Lab	s to be scheduled ind	ependent	of lecture hours: Yes] No ⊠			
NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.										
Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (if more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form)										
Author (surname, ini	tials) Title	(article, book, journ	al, etc.)	Curre	ent ed. F	Publisher	Year			
1. Guffey, E.		ers: A Global History London: Real					2015			
2. A course pack of selected readings										
3.										
4. .										
5.										
Required Additional Supplies and Materials (software, hardware, tools, specialized clothing, etc.)										
Typical Evaluation Met	hods and	l Weighting								
Final exam:	25%	Assignments:	15%	Midterm exam:	25%	Practicum:	%			
Quizzes/tests:	%	Lab work:	%	Field experience:	%	Shop work:	%			
Research paper:	30%	Participation:	5%	Other:	%	Total:	100%			
Details (if necessary):										

Typical Course Content and Topics

- 1. Introduction: the politics of power in posters; communicating via image and text in a global context
- 2. Posters and their public appeal: from street to a museum
- 3. Posters: art, technology, mass media and advertising
- 4. Avant-garde and poster production
- 5. Art as weapon/ propaganda during war (World War I and World War II)
- 6. Posters of revolutions and revolts (Russian Revolution and the Soviet state: China; Cuba and OSPAAAL)
- 7. Posters for peace and voices of dissent USA (anti-Vietnam, anti-Iraq wars, Occupy Wall Street), and France (Paris 1968), the "velvet" revolution Central and Eastern Europe
- 8. Struggle for independence/anti-government protests (end of apartheid, the Arab Spring, Canada Idle No More)
- 9. The battle for gender equality
- 10. Psychedelic Design
- 11. Posters addressing social anxieties (environmental concerns, drugs, aids, violence towards children, and women)
- 12. In the service of culture (diverse examples from film, book posters, performance: circus, theatre, music)