

GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

AR 1360 C2 FALL
VISUAL FUNDAMENTALS (3-0-3) UT (3)

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Visual Fundamentals is an introductory level studio course based in two and three-dimensional design. It covers the basic principles of composition and design involved in the creation of visual art. Students will deal with the fundamentals of art while developing critical insight and working knowledge of various media.

OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of this course the student will:

1. be able to recognize and apply the basic elements and principles of visual art and design;
2. have explored individual ideas and media;
3. recognize the importance of and accept responsibility for individual choices as they relate to personal, cultural and social art-making concerns;
4. have developed the ability to use analytical and critical thinking in the art-making process.

READINGS AND ASSIGNMENTS:

Assignments will be expected on the due date. Failure to complete projects on time for class critiques will affect the student's final evaluation. Assigned reading are not optional and should be treated as seriously as the design projects. Written tests and / or

assignments can be expected throughout the duration of the course and will be dependent on the assigned readings.

EVALUATION:

Evaluation will be based upon the quality of work produced relative to the objectives of the course. Students must demonstrate an understanding of the basic principles introduced in the course through the completion of the various projects. Individuals who push the perimeters of the assignments and display originality, professionalism and research will be noted accordingly come evaluation time.

Grades will be determined based on the following criteria:

- 10% - class participation (critiques, class contribution, attendance)
- 90% - class projects and home assignments

NOTE:

Overdue assignments will be penalized. For every day that the work is late, 10% will be subtracted from the original grade. Work which is received more than ten days after the deadline will be given a "0" grade.

