

Studio Art B.A.

Improvements:

In an effort to improve student outcomes within all Foundations courses, a process to standardize syllabi throughout the Foundations Core Curriculum has begun and will be fully implemented by Fall of 2018. This standardization makes student objectives clearer for both instructor and student. It also provides linear and sequential pedagogical teaching and learning methods with goals that build upon one another throughout the course schedules. The new system, although standardized, does allow for slight variation depending on the instructor's personal teaching modes while still adhering to widely accepted Foundational targets. We have made a change to one of the foundations courses ARTS 204. This course was added to introduce students to Art concepts and ideas. This was added because faculty found that students were knowledgeable of the technical areas but less so with art concepts. Faculty at the capstone course found that students could articulate technical responses to their art but struggled to discuss the underlying meaning and concepts behind their art projects. The goal is that students will develop an ability to discuss the underlying meaning of their own projects.