SCHOOL OF ART

College of the Arts
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Undergraduate Programs

- Art Education - B.F.A.
- Art History - B.A.
- Studio Art - B.A.
- Studio Art - B.F.A.

Minors

- Accessories
- Art History
- Ceramics
- Drawing
- Glass
- Jewelry, Metals and Enameling
- Painting
- Print Media and Photography
- Sculpture and Expanded Media
- Textiles

Graduate Programs

- Art Education - M.A.
- Art History - M.A.
- Studio Art - M.A.
- Studio Art - M.F.A.

School of Art Faculty

- Buntin, Phillip D. (2006), Associate Professor, M.F.A., University of Connecticut, 2002
- Commito, Gianna E. (2005), Professor, M.F.A., University of Iowa, 2003
- Ebanks, Davin (2005), Associate Professor, M.F.A., Kent State University, 2010
- Farnsworth, Isabel (1997), Associate Professor, M.F.A., Stanford University, 1995
- Foster, Arron L. (2022), Assistant Professor, M.F.A., University of Georgia, 2017
- Garcia, Janice L. (2019), Associate Professor, M.F.A, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2018
- Gasper-Hulvat, Marie (2013), Associate Professor, Ph.D., Bryn Mawr College, 2012
- Higgins-Linder, Melissa (2013), Lecturer, M.A., Kent State University, 2017
- Hoeptner-Poling, Linda A. (1986), Associate Professor, Ph.D., Kent State University, 2005
- Johnson, Peter C. (2015), Associate Professor, M.F.A., Penn State University, 2003
- Kan, Koon-Hwee (2003), Associate Professor, Ed.D., University of Illinois-Urbana, 2004
- Kessler, Eli (2019), Assistant Professor, M.F.A., Virginia Commonwealth University, 2008
- Kuebeck, Andrew (2017), Associate Professor, M.F.A, Indiana University, Bloomington, 2011
- McMahon, Taryn (2013), Associate Professor, M.A., University of Iowa, 2010
- Medicus, Gustav F. (1989), Associate Professor, Ph.D., Indiana University, Bloomington, 1992
- Morabito, John Paul (2022), Assistant Professor, M.F.A., School of Art Institute of Chicago, 2013
- Polo, Darice M. (2004), Associate Professor, M.F.A., University at Albany-SUNY, 1999
- Powell, Shawn K. (2018), Associate Professor, M.F.A., City University of NY-Hunter College, 2009
- Reischuck, Albert W. (1990), Senior Lecturer, M.A., Kent State University, 1991
- Reisig, Shana K. (2018), Associate Professor, Ph.D., University Of New Mexico, 2015
- Roll, Melanie R. (2001), Associate Professor, M.F.A, Kent State University, 2022
- Schatz, Mark K. (2010), Associate Professor, M.F.A., University of Texas-Austin, 2005
- Sokso, Jillian L. (2022), Professor, M.F.A., University of Delaware, 2005
- Underwood, Joseph L. (2017), Associate Professor, Ph.D., SUNY Stony Brook, 2017
- Vande Zande, Robin S. (2001), Professor, Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2002
- Warner, John-Michael H. (2015), Associate Professor, Ph.D., University of Arizona, 2015
- Zhu, Pinyan (2022), Assistant Professor, Ph.D., University of Kansas, 2022

Art (ART)

ART 10022 2D COMPOSITION  3 Credit Hours
This course is a basic introduction to flat pictorial composition. Students will explore the basic principles of design and the application of elements (line, shape, value, texture, and color) to the two-dimensional surface. Students will learn to work with traditional materials as well as new technology. In addition to developing technical proficiency with a variety of materials and tools, emphasis will be placed on visual literacy and critical thinking skills throughout this course. All work (preliminary and final) must be retained for the duration of the semester and beyond as required.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Arts and Humanities
ART 10023  3D COMPOSITION  3 Credit Hours
Course serves as the introductory three-dimensional experience, focusing on fundamental principles, elements and strategies of visual organization. Focus is on creative problem solving using a variety of approaches and materials, and favors non-equipment intensive assignments. Students develop critical thinking and practical skills relating to three-dimensional form and space. This foundation-level course prepares students for subsequent study within all the visual arts.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Arts and Humanities

ART 10024  DIGITAL MEDIA  3 Credit Hours
This course introduces concepts, tools, software and a series of guided exercises to support the creative integration of digital media into making and understanding visual art. In addition to developing technical proficiency with digital media, emphasis is placed on visual literacy and critical thinking skills throughout this course.
Prerequisite: Art Education major or Art History major or Studio Art major.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ART 30001  COMMON REVIEW  1 Credit Hour
The course provides an introduction to professional visual arts practices, as well as a candid assessment of a student's emerging strengths. This formative review of digital portfolios, physical artwork and student writing by a panel of School of Art faculty members is intended to assist students in deciding on concentration(s) and a degree program prior to enrollment in upper-division courses.
Prerequisite: ART 10022 and ART 10023 and ART 10024 and ARTH 22007 and ARTS 14000; and two of the following courses: ARTS 14001, ARTS 24002, ARTS 24010, ARTS 24040, ARTS 24051, ARTS 24061, ARTS 25310, ARTS 25400, ARTS 25600 and ARTS 25700; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

ART 30692  EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING IN THE VISUAL ARTS (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An undergraduate, experience-based learning activity carried out in a visual arts setting. Emphasis is on the goals of connecting ideas, concepts and skills developed in coursework to applications in new or different contexts, demonstrating how this experience has broadened students' understanding of their discipline, and reflection on significance of the experience. Learning contract required.
Prerequisite: School of Art major; and junior standing; and special approval of faculty sponsor.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ART 40008  PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES IN VISUAL ARTS (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
Introduction to the concerns and practices of the professional artist/craftsperson.
Prerequisite: Studio Art major; and junior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

ART 40099  B.A. STUDIO ART CAPSTONE (ELR) (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
This writing-intensive course is an integrative experience that brings together all components of the B.A. in Studio Art. Students work on a final presentation and supportive cumulative dossier with complementary writing assignments.
Prerequisite: College of the Arts major; and junior standing.
Schedule Type: Project or Capstone
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement, Writing Intensive Course

ART 41093  VARIABLE TITLE WORKSHOP IN ART  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum of 18 credit hours) Topics vary per course offering.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Workshop
Contact Hours: 1-6 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

ART 51093  VARIABLE TITLE WORKSHOP IN ART  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Topics vary per course offering.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2-6 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

ART 67199  M.A. THESIS I  2-6 Credit Hours
Thesis students must register for a minimum of 6 hours, 2 to 6 hours in a single semester distributed over several semesters if desired.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2-6 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

ART 67299  M.A. THESIS II  2 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Thesis students must continue registration each semester until all degree requirements are met.
Prerequisite: ART 67199; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

ART 69199  M.F.A. THESIS I  2-6 Credit Hours
Thesis students must register for a total of 6 credit hours, 2 to 6 credit hours in a single semester distributed over several semesters if desired.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2-6 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
ART 69299  M.F.A. THESIS II  2 Credit Hours
Thesis students must continue registration each semester until all degree requirements are met.
Prerequisite: ART 69199; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Masters Thesis
Contact Hours: 2 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

Art Education (ARTE)

ARTE 31001  ART EDUCATION: FOUNDATIONS AND CONCEPTS - ELEMENTARY  3 Credit Hours
An introduction to visual arts education for the young child (PreK-6) using current theory and practice. Curriculum foci include the study of developmental stages of children's art expression and response, creative expression, response dimensions related to art, diversity and educational practices. Course activities include lecture, research, discussion, group activities, studio and field experiences.
Prerequisite: Minimum 2.500 overall GPA; and Art Education major; and sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 31005  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART EDUCATION-  2-4 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Content varies per course offering.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 2-4 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTE 31092  ART EDUCATION: TEACHING PRACTICUM (ELR)  3 Credit Hours
A teaching experience for applying art education concepts. Analysis of instructional problems emphasized. Fifty-four field and/or clinical hours are associated with this course.
Prerequisite: ARTE 31001; and minimum 2.500 overall GPA.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 2 lecture, 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTE 31096  INDIVIDUAL STUDY ART EDUCATION  2-10 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Additional study in areas of a student's choice in consultation with adviser.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 2-10 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTE 41002  ART EDUCATION: FOUNDATIONS AND CONCEPTS - SECONDARY (ELR)  3 Credit Hours
This course emphasizes the connections between the development of each student’s visual arts education philosophy and its practical applications to teaching, communication with learners at the secondary level, disabled students and non-student audiences, assessment, demonstrations, classroom management, arts advocacy, etc. Off-campus field and/or clinical hours are associated with this course.
Prerequisite: ARTE 31092; and minimum 2.500 overall GPA.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience, Studio
Contact Hours: 7 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTE 41004  PRE-KINDERGARTEN-12 DESIGN EDUCATION  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTE 51004) The purpose of this course is to demonstrate the importance of and provide strategies for teaching design in PreK-12 visual arts programs. Students learn the design process and design thinking, adapted specifically for the context of education. The four broad areas of environmental design, communication design, product design and interactive design are covered. The primary focus is on lesson development using the design process, addressing the design areas, working through challenges that integrate with other subject areas and applying design innovation materials and technologies.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 41009  ART EDUCATION MAJOR REVIEW  1 Credit Hour
Examination of student’s knowledge, proficiency and ability to apply concepts in art and art education.
Prerequisite: Minimum 2.500 overall GPA.
Pre/corequisite: ARTE 41002 and ARTE 41192.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 41089  INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: ART EDUCATION (DIVG) (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) A Kent State faculty-led study abroad experience in art education that integrates traditional classroom learning with experiential activities and site visits outside the United States.
Prerequisite: Art Education major; and special approval.
Schedule Type: International Experience
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Diversity Global, Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTE 41090  STUDY AWAY: ART EDUCATION (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Travel-based study away in art education at a site or sites away from Kent State University.
Prerequisite: Art education major.
Schedule Type: Study Away
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTE 41095  SPECIAL TOPICS IN ART EDUCATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Upper-division course whose content changes in accordance with the interest and competence of faculty.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 41096  INDIVIDUAL STUDY-ART EDUCATION  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Additional study in areas of students’ choice in consultation with adviser.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 1-6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP
ARTE 41192  ART EDUCATION: FIELD EXPERIENCE (ELR) (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTE 51192) The knowledge and skills emphasized in this course focus on two major areas: (1) planning and teaching visual arts lessons in secondary educational settings with a focus on content and understanding of the theoretical and methodological processes involved, and (2) analyzing, interpreting and critiquing visual arts and design education situations to understand and improve instructional performance. Off-campus field and/or clinical hours are associated with this course.
Prerequisite: Minimum 2.500 overall GPA; and special approval.
Pre/corequisite: ARTE 41002.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience, Seminar
Contact Hours: 8.5 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement, Writing Intensive Course

ARTE 41525  ART EDUCATION: INQUIRY INTO PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTE 51525) Concepts and practices related to teaching visual arts education. Inquiry into visual arts teaching as a professional practice. Emphasis is on teacher as a critical disciplined investigator and culturally relevant practitioner.
Prerequisite: ARTE 41009; and minimum 2.500 overall GPA; and special approval.
Corequisite: ARTE 41592.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 41592  ART EDUCATION: STUDENT TEACHING AND SEMINAR (ELR)  9 Credit Hours
Provides a 16-week student teaching experience and seminar. Students must present an official valid certification of Child Safety Training, approved Basic Life Support and ALICE training verification to the clinical experience campus office student portal.
Prerequisite: ARTE 41009; and minimum 2.500 overall GPA; and special approval.
Corequisite: ARTE 41525.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience, Seminar
Contact Hours: 1 lecture, 24 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTE 51089  INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: ART EDUCATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit)(Slashed with ARTE 41089) A Kent State faculty-led study abroad experience in art education that integrates traditional classroom learning with experiential activities and site visits outside the United States.
Prerequisite: Art Education major; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: International Experience
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

ARTE 51090  STUDY AWAY: ART EDUCATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTE 41090) Travel-based study away in art education at a site or sites away from Kent State University.
Prerequisite: Major in Art Education; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Study Away
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

ARTE 51095  SPECIAL TOPICS IN ART EDUCATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTE 41095) Upper-division course whose content changes in accordance with the interest and competence of faculty.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 51192  ART EDUCATION: FIELD EXPERIENCE  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTE 41192) The knowledge and skills emphasized in this course focus on two major areas: (1) planning and teaching visual arts lessons in secondary educational settings with a focus on content and understanding of the theoretical and methodological processes involved, and (2) analyzing, interpreting and critiquing visual arts and design education situations to understand and improve instructional performance. Off-campus field and/or clinical hours are associated with this course.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Pre/corequisite: ARTE 41095; and minimum 2.500 overall GPA; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 51201  ART EDUCATION: STUDY AWAY (WIC)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Topics vary per course offering to reflect the interests and specializations of faculty.
Prerequisite: ARTE 61101; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTE 61096  INDIVIDUAL STUDY IN ART EDUCATION  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Specialized study leading to the thesis in art education.
Prerequisite: ARTE 61101 and ARTE 61191 and ARTE 61291; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 1-6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 61101  RESEARCH SEMINAR IN ART EDUCATION  3 Credit Hours
In this specialized research seminar exploring educational research methods and methodologies, emphasis is placed on the fundamentals of educational research, including how to design and conduct research in visual arts education. An array of methods that are applied in the field are introduced, preparing students to propose their own capstone work.
Prerequisite: Art Education major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 61191  SEMINAR IN ART EDUCATION I  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This course is the first seminar that emphasizes the study of prevailing themes in art education. ARTE 61291 completes the study. The curriculum focuses on the ideas of leading scholars and practicing teachers who have shaped practice in the field of art education within the context of the social, political and educational values and beliefs of the time.
Prerequisite: Art Education major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 61209  CANDIDACY REVIEW EXAMINATION:ART EDUCATION  1 Credit Hour
A comprehensive review that undertakes a formal assessment of students' knowledge and understanding of concepts in art, education and art education.
Prerequisite: ARTE 61101; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1 lecture
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

ARTE 61291  SEMINAR IN ART EDUCATION II  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) A continuation of the topics addressed in ARTE 61191. The study of past, prevailing and contemporary issues, and themes in visual arts education.
Prerequisite: ARTE 61191; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTE 61399  ART EDUCATION: GRADUATE PROJECT CAPSTONE  3 Credit Hours
This course is designed for students who have chosen the non-thesis track of the Master of Arts degree in Art Education and will serve as the culminating experience for students completing a project rather than a thesis. The course facilitates research or working on a qualitative/curriculum case study for the final project.
Prerequisite: Art Education major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Project or Capstone
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

Art History (ARTH)

ARTH 12001  ART AS A WORLD PHENOMENON (KFA)  3 Credit Hours
Course explore the essential qualities of art and the motivations for creating art in both Western and non-Western cultures through a thematic paradigm. By the end of the term, students have developed an enhanced ability to identify and describe various media and styles of artistic production, and have a basic knowledge of the major cultural periods and representative artworks in the history of world art. This course is designed for non-art majors, and will not fulfill requirements for School of Art majors.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Kent Core Fine Arts, Transfer Module Fine Arts

ARTH 22006  ART HISTORY: ANCIENT TO MEDIEVAL ART (KFA)  3 Credit Hours
Examination and interpretation of the major monuments of art and architecture from Paleolithic art to c. 1300 CE. The course addresses global traditions, including regions in Europe, Asia, Africa and the Americas.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Kent Core Fine Arts, TAG Arts and Humanities, Transfer Module Fine Arts

ARTH 22007  ART HISTORY: RENAISSANCE TO MODERN ART (KFA)  3 Credit Hours
Examination and interpretation of the major art movements and artists from the early Renaissance through recent decades. The course addresses global history, including art and artists active in Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Americas.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Kent Core Fine Arts, TAG Arts and Humanities, Transfer Module Fine Arts

ARTH 22010  INTRODUCTION TO ASIAN ART (DIVG)  3 Credit Hours
The survey introduces arts of pre-modern Asia (with the exception of West Asia and Islamic art in general). Select artistic traditions in South, Southeast and East Asia are considered against their religious, socio-political and other cultural contexts. Major themes include (1) the rise of civilizations, (2) developments of various artistic forms and media, (3) the spread of Buddhism and other religions across the region and (4) transcultural relations.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global
ARTH 22021  ART HISTORY: AFRICAN ART (DIVG) (KFA)  3 Credit Hours
An introduction to the arts of Africa with an emphasis on the historical traditions of major kingdoms. Covering a spectrum of regions, students examine primarily sculptural traditions (figural and masquerade) in both royal and ritual contexts. These arts are examined within their social and cultural contexts in the service of politics, as objects of ritual and religious practice, and as evidence of aesthetic choices and achievements. The final segment of the course will address the legacy of these traditions through the colonial period and into modern times.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global, Kent Core Fine Arts

ARTH 32000  RESEARCH AND WRITING IN ART HISTORY (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
Introduction to writing styles, methodologies and academic resources for art history research. The course will focus on improving skills in writing about the visual arts through the study of formal analysis, historic context, and modern and contemporary theories and philosophies.
Prerequisite: School of Art major or minor.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

ARTH 32066  ART AND THEORY SINCE 1940  3 Credit Hours
Visual arts in a global context with emphasis on European and American artists and theory from 1940 to the present.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42001  ART HISTORY METHODOLOGIES  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52001) This course is designed to introduce students to the study of art history as a discipline increasingly marked by its diversity of approaches and emphasis on methodology and theory. This seminar will review the representative range of traditional art historical analyses and will study more recent theories of meaning and culture. The course will also examine art historical knowledge in relation to theoretical developments in other disciplines in the humanities.
Prerequisite: ARTH 32000.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42025  ART OF WEST AFRICA (DIVG)  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52025) Beginning with the art and architecture from major West African kingdoms, the course follows cultural production from the region through the colonial period and into modernism. The artists of newly-independent West African nations pioneered new visions for how Africans would participate in developing global networks.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

ARTH 42028  CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN ART: 1980-PRESENT (DIVG)  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52028) An in-depth study of African art since the late twentieth century. Focused on artists from the continent and the Diaspora, the course begins by examining the impact that colonialism, with its appropriation, exploitation and reshaping of Africa, had on the arts in Africa (1960-1980). It then analyzes a broad spectrum of modern and contemporary African art forms (painting, printmaking, sculpture, textiles, photography, performance and film) and related art history, exhibition and critical texts from the 1980s to the present, with an emphasis on such issues as patronage, the commodification of art, urbanism, national consciousness, identity formation, new media and the effects of globalization.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global

ARTH 42036  MEDIEVAL ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52036) Emphasis on major periods of Medieval art (Early Christian, Byzantine, Carolingian, Ottonian, Romanesque and Gothic), treating iconographic themes and styles in a variety of media. Works studied include architecture, manuscript painting, ivory carving, and goldsmith work, most of which were produced by or for members of the clergy, royalty, or the lay aristocracy. The course, therefore, involves significant material relating to political, economic and religious issues. It investigates problems in patronage, function, reception and censorship. A strong emphasis is given to reading primary and secondary sources.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42041  ITALIAN RENAISSANCE ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52041) Study of development of major themes in Italian art from 1200 until about 1450, emphasizing achievements of the masters and analyzing major ideas and theories of the period.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42043  THE HIGH RENAISSANCE AND MANNERISM IN ITALY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52043) Covers late 15th century and 16th century painting, sculpture and architecture in Italy. Following discussion of the High Renaissance masters, students examine the works collectively known as the Mannerists. Course gives students a firm grounding in the manifold artistic activity of the 16th century.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42044  VENETIAN RENAISSANCE ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52044) Course provides a survey of Venetian painting, sculpture and architecture from the late 1300s to the late 1500s. Upon completion students have a comprehension of the interrelationship of Venetian art with its unique environment and society.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTH 42045  ITALIAN ART FROM GIORGIO BERNINI 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52045) Course explores the development of art and architecture in Italy from the late Middle Ages to the High Renaissance period. Through an in-depth analysis of the art and history of these periods, students develop an understanding of Italy's role in the overall development of Western civilization. Particular emphasis is given to Florentine Art.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42046  BAROQUE ART OF THE 17TH CENTURY 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52046) Study of the origins of Baroque art in Italy and its spread throughout Flanders, the Netherlands, France and Spain.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42050  ART AND REVOLT IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52050) The nineteenth century is one of the most dramatic time periods in Euro-American art history. Artists and viewers experienced a number of revolutions that profoundly changed the landscape of art and politics. More specifically, nineteenth-century art was created during a violent sweep of colonial expansion, a rise in industrialization, and a revolt against the French Salon. This course considers how artists responded to these social changes by exploring art movements in France and beyond across a wide range of artistic media—including spirit photographs, Moulin Rouge posters, and cemetery sculpture. Students will examine the most canonical nineteenth-century artists while also challenging their placement in the art history canon, which was established at the expense of women and people of color.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42056  AMERICAN ART I: INDIAN WARS TO CIVIL WAR 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52056) In this first section of American art history, students will explore the evolution of American art from European conquest through the American Revolution, and stretching to the Civil War. This time period in American history is characterized by waves of social unrest followed by periods of peace that American artists reflected and shaped in their work. The American-Indian Wars and the Transatlantic slave trade also profoundly impacted the art and politics of the early United States, inspiring artists to support or protest conflicts in society with their art. Exchanges with African, Indigenous, as well as Asian and European peoples pervaded every aspect of art in the United States. In looking widely at objects such as paintings, clothing, food advertisements, and furniture, this class will examine debates about nationhood in early American art that exploded by the Civil War.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42057  AMERICAN ART II: CIVIL WAR TO CIVIL RIGHTS 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52057) In this second section and in-depth study of American art history, students will explore shifts and advancements in American art since the closing of the Civil War. New styles in abstraction and technological innovations in photography, lithography, and cinema dramatically altered the trajectory of American art and resulted in an expansion of art museums and patronage. As the United States gained economic power and expanded its borders, American art was also profoundly influenced by movements such as French Impressionism and Mexican muralism, and shaped by artists as close as Canada and as far as Australia. While American artists were debating whether to welcome “foreign” influences in their work, debates over racial segregation and women's suffrage permeated art and politics on the homefront. In looking widely at objects such as paintings, photographs, silverware, and public monuments, this class will examine the art and visual culture of the United States from the Civil War to Civil Rights movement.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42059  AFRICAN AMERICAN ART AND VISUAL CULTURE (DIVD) 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52059) This course contextualizes American artists of African descent within the wider framework of U.S. art and visual culture. In looking at a wide range of media—across painting, photography, fashion and food—students study African American visual culture and its profound impact on American art at large. Students also explore the contested concept of “race” as it intersects with the production and patronage of African American art. Furthermore, students consider the benefits and pitfalls of the field and the ways in which art historians, critics and curators have treated African American art in U.S. museums. By the end of this course, students will have a deeper understanding of African American art and its tangled identity politics.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic

ARTH 42060  RUSSIAN ART 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52060) This course explores the history of Russian art starting with the legacy of Byzantium and continuing up through the end of the Soviet era, from about 1000 CE to the present. Russia's artistic movements have borrowed from a wide variety of cultures, both from groups that have attacked and conquered Russian territories as well as from groups that Russians themselves have conquered and attacked. We will focus on art that was produced in Russia as well as the cross-cultural influences that shaped and changed this art. Painting will be a dominant focus, coupled with a broad study including decorative arts like porcelain and embroidery as well as architecture, performance and illustration.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTH 42061 EARLY 20TH-CENTURY ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52061) This course explores the history of Early
20th-Century Modern Art up to the Second World War. Painting, sculpture,
and architecture will be the dominant focus, coupled with alternative
media that may include printmaking, photography, cinema, performance,
and textile arts.
Prerequisite: ARTH 22007.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42064 DADA AND SURREALISM  3 Credit Hours
Using a roughly chronological approach, students examine the profound
and lasting contributions made by the Dadaists and Surrealists, as well
as other revolutionary modernists of the early 20th century who sought
to escape the traditional and rational in art and thought with sincerity
in spite of the often superficially simple or even sometimes nihilistic
appearance of their efforts. Through an analysis of selected works from
this period and their relevant precursors, an attempt will be made to
define the progressive ideas which led to the dismantling of previous
standards and the rise of an anti-art spirit which continues today in
various guises. Primary documents are considered regularly to provide
students with a wider appreciation for the variety of media (e.g., film,
theater, typography) and the issues and characters involved.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42065 FEMINIST AND QUEER ART AND CULTURAL THEORY
(DIVD)  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52065) This advanced and interdisciplinary art
history course explores feminist and queer visual histories, with particular
attention to related cultural theories. In addition to paradigmatic
ideologies of difference and language, this course is based on
indispensable and sometimes peripheral postmodern milieus such as
politicized identities, economies and the body, the importance of
feeling and the everyday, feminist-Marxist critiques of community and
the state and notions of lived histories/narratives. In regard to structure,
this is a reading intensive course designed to empower students with
‘influential’ visual and textual languages, as well as knowledge of critical
race, gender and sexuality studies. Readings, discussions, projects and
knowledge-at-large are applicable to the artist’s studio and more broadly,
in humanities scholarship.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Domestic

ARTH 42069 NATIONS AND BORDERS  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52069) Emphasizing art and visual culture since
World War II, this course considers the phenomenon of the nation-state
in the context of embodied borders and diasporas. From the historically
charged U.S.-Mexico borderlands to the Berlin Wall that divided East
and West Germany, modernity is characterized by the development
of nations and subsequent nationalism as well as the delineation of
borders and boundaries—and, once unpacked, theoretical and physical
embodiments become legible. Taking a historically-grounded and global
approach to state production and displacement, critical texts—many of
which are grounded in feminist and queer theories—will address various
interpretations of boundaries, especially national and corporeal. We will
explore the intellectual history of nation-building and subsequent textual
analyses of geographic and embodied borders. We will also study specific
art historical moments, such as the militarization of the U.S.-Mexico
frontera, Israel’s occupation of Palestine, treating East and West Berlin
as metaphor and allegory, the borderlands of queer and black identities
in the United States and present-day Euro-American imperialism. The
course format consists of rigorous class discussions guided by readings
and illustrated presentations.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42073 EPHEMERAL EXHIBITIONS: WORLD FAIRS, FESTIVALS
AND BIENNIALS  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52073) Revisiting a variety of time-based exhibition
formats throughout recent history. From Joseph Paxton’s Crystal Palace
to the Venice Biennale, students examine a globally-oriented history
of landmark exhibitions that were designed to dazzle audiences for
a few months before being dismantled. Sponsored by governments,
the corporate sector, grassroots movements, or cultural actors, the
motivations for these exhibitions are as varied as the actual format the
exhibition takes. We discuss not only the framework and ideologies
behind such projects, but also the legacies they have had on more
permanent arts institutions, as well as criticisms levied against them by
artists.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42076 HISTORIES AND THEORIES OF PHOTOGRAPHY AND
VISUAL CULTURE  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52076) Photography is embedded in every aspect of
visual culture. As such, this course is a socio-political and socio-cultural
study of photography. This course focuses on major developments in the
field, including photography’s advent, 19th-century commodity, scientific
manipulations, 20th century Modernism and postwar aesthetics. Course
also sketches political, cultural and theoretical developments and
pertinent debates regarding emergence, significance, interpretation,
perception and resonance. In addition to manifold moments in histories
and theories of photography, course examines critical approaches to the
history of art, including ecocriticism, feminism, critical race studies, queer
studies and borderlands studies. While effort will be made to survey
photography’s history, this is not taxonomy of related movements and
moments.
Prerequisite: ARTH 32066.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTH 42079  CONTEMPORARY CRAFT: HISTORY AND THEORY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52079) This course is designed to provide an overview of the history, theory, and practice of modern and contemporary studio craft, with an emphasis on North America. Students will develop an enhanced ability to identify and describe various media and styles of artistic production normally associated with “craft” genres: ceramics, textiles/fibers, jewelry/metals, glass and wood/furniture. Concurrently, an introduction to basic philosophies, pedagogical styles, and controversial issues that have shaped this unique cultural, social and artistic history will provide a framework for understanding the intersection of art, craft and design in the 21st-century.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42089  INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: ART HISTORY (DIVG) (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 52089) Travel-based international experience in art history. The primary benefit will be the observation and study of works of art, firsthand, in addition to the presentation and discussion of historical and contextual factors. Time is made available for individual investigation of specific works sites.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: International Experience
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Diversity Global, Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTH 42090  STUDY AWAY: ART HISTORY (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 52090)(Repeatable for credit) Travel-based study away in art history to and at a site or sites away from Kent State University. The primary benefit is the observation and study of works of art firsthand, in addition to the presentation and discussion of historical and contextual factors. Time is made available for individual investigation of specific work sites.
Prerequisite: School of Art major.
Schedule Type: Study Away
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTH 42091  ART HISTORY SEMINAR  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Open format course with topics announced in advance. Designed to allow detailed examination of selected topics.
Prerequisite: Junior standing; and special approval of instructor.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42092  MUSEUM INTERNSHIP (ELR)  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 52092) A supervised internship in a regional museum emphasizing the practical application of museological principles and practices.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 3-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTH 42095  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 52095) Topics vary in accordance with the interest and competence of faculty.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 42096  INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION: ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 52096) Directed independent study with art history faculty.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTH 42098  RESEARCH IN ART HISTORY (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 52098) Independent research open only to undergraduate students in art history or related fields (by special permission only).
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTH 52001  ART HISTORY METHODOLOGIES  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42001) This course is designed to introduce participants to the study of art history as a discipline increasingly marked by its diversity of approaches and emphasis on methodology and theory. This seminar will review the representative range of traditional art historical analyses and will study more recent theories of meaning and culture. The course will also examine art historical knowledge in relation to theoretical developments in other disciplines in the humanities.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52025  ART OF WEST AFRICA  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42025) Beginning with the art and architecture from major West African kingdoms, the course follows cultural production from the region through the colonial period and into modernism. The artists of newly-independent West African nations pioneered new visions for how Africans would participate in developing global networks.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTH 52028  CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN ART: 1980-PRESENT  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42028) An in-depth study of African art since the late twentieth century. Focused on artists from the continent and the Diaspora, the course begins by examining the impact that colonialism, with its appropriation, exploitation and reshaping of Africa, had on the arts in Africa (1960-1980). It then analyzes a broad spectrum of modern and contemporary African art forms (painting, printmaking, sculpture, textiles, photography, performance and film) and related art history, exhibition and critical texts from the 1980s to the present, with an emphasis on such issues as patronage, the commodification of art, urbanism, national consciousness, identity formation, new media and the effects of globalization.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52036  MEDIEVAL ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42036) Emphasis on major periods of Medieval art (Early Christian, Byzantine, Carolingian, Ottonian, Romanesque and Gothic), treating iconographic themes and styles in a variety of media. Works studied include architecture, manuscript painting, ivory carving, and goldsmith work, most of which were produced by or for members of the clergy, royalty, or the lay aristocracy. The course, therefore, involves significant material relating to political, economic, and religious issues. It investigates problems in patronage, function, reception, and censorship. A strong emphasis is given to reading primary and secondary sources.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52038  HAND MADE BOOKS AND ART  3 Credit Hours
Course examines the history of (predominantly Western) books and reading; of books as locus of several types of visual art (decoration, illustration, vision, commentary); and of visual strategies for a range of communication tasks in selected books from the Middle Ages onward. Students are prepared to understand the variety and efficacy of approaches that have been used by those producing books by hand in the past and at present.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52041  ITALIAN RENAISSANCE ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42041) Study of development of major themes in Italian art from 1200 until about 1450, emphasizing achievements of the masters and analyzing major ideas and theories of the period.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52043  THE HIGH RENAISSANCE AND MANNERISM IN ITALY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42043) Covers late 15th century and 16th century painting, sculpture and architecture in Italy. Following discussion of the High Renaissance masters students examine the works collectively known as the Mannerists. Course gives students a firm grounding in the manifold artistic activity of the 16th century.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52044  VENETIAN RENAISSANCE ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42044) Course provides a survey of Venetian painting, sculpture and architecture from the late 1300s to the late 1500s. Upon completion students will have a comprehension of Venetian art with its unique environment and society.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52045  ITALIAN ART FROM GIOTTO TO BERNINI  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42045) Course explores the development of art and architecture in Italy from the late Middle Ages to the High Renaissance period. Through an in-depth analysis of the art and history of these periods, students develop an understanding of Italy’s role in the overall development of Western civilization. Particular emphasis is given to Florentine Art.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52046  BAROQUE ART OF THE 17TH CENTURY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42046) A study of the origins of Baroque art in Italy and its spread throughout Flanders, the Netherlands, France and Spain.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52050  ART AND REVOLT IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42050) The nineteenth century is one of the most dramatic time periods in Euro-American art history. Artists and viewers experienced a number of revolutions that profoundly changed the landscape of art and politics. More specifically, nineteenth-century art was created during a violent sweep and architecture within the broader context of colonial expansion, a rise in industrialization and a revolt against the French Salon. Western culture and ideas. This course considers how artists responded to these social changes by exploring art movements in France and beyond across a wide range of artistic media—including spirit photographs, Moulin Rouge posters and cemetery sculpture. Students will examine the most canonical nineteenth-century artists while also challenging their placement in the art history canon, which was established at the expense of women and people of color.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTH 52056  AMERICAN ART I: INDIAN WARS TO CIVIL WAR  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42056) In this first section of American art history, students will explore the evolution of American art from European conquest through the American Revolution, and stretching to the Civil War. This time period in American history is characterized by waves of social unrest followed by periods of peace that American artists reflected and shaped in their work. The American-Indian Wars and the Trans-Atlantic slave trade also profoundly impacted the art and politics of the early United States, inspiring artists to support or protest conflicts in society with their art. Exchanges with African, Indigenous, as well as Asian and European peoples pervaded art in the United States. In looking widely at objects such as paintings, clothing, food advertisements, and furniture, this class will examine debates about nationhood in early American art that exploded by the Civil War.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52057  AMERICAN ART II: CIVIL WAR TO CIVIL RIGHTS  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42057) In this second section and in-depth study of American art history, students will explore shifts and advancements in American art since the closing of the Civil War. New styles in abstraction and technological innovations in photography, lithography and cinema dramatically altered the trajectory of American art and resulted in an expansion of art museums and patronage. As the United States gained economic power and expanded its borders, American art was also profoundly influenced by movements such as French impressionism and Mexican muralism and shaped by artists as close as Canada and as far as Australia. While American artists were debating whether to welcome “foreign” influences in their work, debates over racial segregation and women's suffrage permeated art and politics on the homefront. In looking widely at objects such as paintings, photographs, silverware and public monuments, this class will examine the art and visual culture of the United States from the Civil War to Civil Rights movement.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52059  AFRICAN AMERICAN ART AND VISUAL CULTURE  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42059) This course contextualizes American artists of African descent within the wider framework of U.S. art and visual culture. In looking at a wide range of media—across painting, photography, fashion and food—students study African American visual culture and its profound impact on American art at large. Students also explore the contested concept of “race” as it intersects with the production and patronage of African American art. Furthermore, students consider the benefits and pitfalls of the field and the ways in which art historians, critics and curators have treated African American art in U.S. museums. By the end of this course, students will have a deeper understanding of African American art and its tangled identity politics.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52060  RUSSIAN ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42060) This course explores the history of Russian art starting with the legacy of Byzantium and continuing up through the end of the Soviet era, from about 1000 CE to the present. Russia's artistic movements have borrowed from a wide variety of cultures, both from groups that have attacked and conquered Russian territories as well as from groups that Russians themselves have conquered and attacked. We will focus on art that was produced in Russia as well as the cross-cultural influences that shaped and changed this art. Painting will be a dominant focus, coupled with a broad study including decorative arts like porcelain and embroidery as well as architecture, performance and illustration.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52061  EARLY 20TH-CENTURY ART  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42061) This course explores the history of Early 20th-Century Modern Art up to the Second World War. Painting, sculpture, and architecture will be the dominant focus, coupled with alternative media that may include printmaking, photography, cinema, performance and textile arts.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52064  DADA AND SURREALISM  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42064) Using a roughly chronological approach, students examine the profound and lasting contributions made by the Dadaists and Surrealists, as well as other revolutionary modernists of the early 20th century who sought to escape the traditional and rational in art and thought with sincerity in spite of the often superficially simple or even sometimes nihilistic appearance of their efforts. Through an analysis of selected works from this period and their relevant precursors, an attempt will be made to define the progressive ideas which led to the dismantling of previous standards and the rise of an anti-art spirit which continues today in various guises. Primary documents are considered regularly to provide students with a wider appreciation for the variety of media (e.g., film, theater, typography) and the issues and characters involved.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTH 52065  FEMINIST AND QUEER ART AND CULTURAL THEORY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42065) This advanced and interdisciplinary art history course explores feminist and queer visual histories, with particular attention to related cultural theories. In addition to paradigmatic ideologies of difference and language, this course is based on indispensable and sometimes peripheral postmodern milieus such as politicized identities, economies and the body, the importance of feeling and the everyday, feminist-Marxist critiques of community and the state and notions of lived histories/narratives. In regard to structure, this is a reading intensive course designed to empower students with ‘influential’ visual and textual languages, as well as knowledge of critical race, gender and sexuality studies. Readings, discussions, projects and knowledge-at-large are applicable in the artist's studio and more broadly, in humanities scholarship.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52069  NATIONS AND BORDERS  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42069) Emphasizing art and visual culture since World War II, this course considers the phenomenon of the nation-state in the context of embodied borders and diasporas. From the historically charged U.S.-Mexico borderlands to the Berlin Wall that divided East and West Germany, modernity is characterized by the development of nations and subsequent nationalisms as well as the delineation of borders and boundaries—and, once unpacked, theoretical and physical embodiments become legible. Taking a historically-grounded and global approach to state production and displacement, critical texts—many of which are grounded in feminist and queer theories—will address various interpretations of boundaries, especially national and corporeal. We will explore the intellectual history of nation-building and subsequent textual analyses of geographic and embodied borders. We will also study specific art historical moments, such as the militarization of the U.S.-Mexico frontera, Israel's occupation of Palestine, treating East and West Berlin as metaphor and allegory, the borderlands of queer and black identities in the United States and present-day Euro-American imperialism. The course format consists of rigorous class discussions guided by readings and illustrated presentations.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52073  EPHEMERAL EXHIBITIONS: WORLD FAIRS, FESTIVALS AND BIENNIALS  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42073) Revisiting a variety of time-based exhibition formats throughout recent history. From Joseph Paxton's Crystal Palace to the Venice Biennale, students examine a globally-oriented history of landmark exhibitions that were designed to dazzle audiences for a few months before being dismantled. Sponsored by governments, the corporate sector, grassroots movements, or cultural actors, the motivations for these exhibitions are as varied as the actual format the exhibition takes. We discuss not only the framework and ideologies behind such projects, but also the legacies they have had on more permanent arts institutions, as well as criticisms levied against them by artists.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52076  HISTORIES AND THEORIES OF PHOTOGRAPHY AND VISUAL CULTURE  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42076) Photography is embedded in every aspect of visual culture. As such, this course is a socio-political and socio-cultural study of photography. This course focuses on major developments in the field, including photography's advent, 19th-century commodity, scientific manipulations, 20th century Modernism and postwar aesthetics. Course also sketches political, cultural and theoretical developments and pertinent debates regarding emergence, significance, interpretation, perception and resonance. In addition to manifold moments in histories and theories of photography, course examines critical approaches to the history of art, including ecocriticism, feminism, critical race studies, queer studies and borderlands studies. While effort will be made to survey photography's history, this is not taxonomy of related movements and moments.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52079  CONTEMPORARY CRAFT: HISTORY AND THEORY  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42079) This course is designed to provide an overview of the history, theory, and practice of modern and contemporary studio craft, with an emphasis on North America. Students will develop an enhanced ability to identify and describe various media and styles of artistic production normally associated with "craft" genres: ceramics, textiles/fibers, jewelry/metal, glass, and wood/furniture. Concurrently, an introduction to basic philosophies, pedagogical styles and controversial issues that have shaped this unique cultural, social and artistic history will provide a framework for understanding the intersection of art, craft and design in the 21st-century.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52089  INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repealable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 42089) Travel-based international experience in art history. The primary benefit will be the observation and study of works of art firsthand, first hand, in addition to the presentation and discussion of historical and contextual factors. Time is made available for individual investigation of specific works sites. 
Prerequisite: Graduate standing, and special approval.
Schedule Type: International Experience
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

ARTH 52090  STUDY AWAY: ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTH 42090)(Repeatable for credit) Travel-based study away in art history to and at a site or sites away from Kent State University. The primary benefit is the observation and study of works of art firsthand, in addition to the presentation and discussion of historical and contextual factors. Time is made available for individual investigation of specific works sites.
Prerequisite: School of Art major, and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Study Away
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
ARTH 52092  MUSEUM INTERNSHIP  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 42092) A supervised internship in a regional museum emphasizing the practical application of museological principles and curatorial practices.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 3-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTH 52095  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 42095) Topics vary in accordance with the interest and competence of faculty.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 52096  INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION: ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 42096) Directed independent study with art history faculty.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTH 52098  RESEARCH IN ART HISTORY  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTH 42098) Independent research open only to graduate students in art history or related fields.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTH 52166  HISTORIES AND THEORIES OF MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY ART  3 Credit Hours
This course examines both the visual and textual. As such we travel through contemporary moments such as Abstract Expressionism, Post-Painterly Abstraction, Nouveau Réalisme, Pop, Minimalism, Conceptual art and participatory art—to name a few. So too, this course entails a broad overview of critical and theoretical approaches often engaged by contemporary artists such as existentialism, psychoanalysis, structuralism, semiotics, feminist and queer theories, theories of modern sculpture, and theories of photography. When art and theory are taken together, modern and contemporary art underscores the cultural, sociopolitical and economic developments characteristic of the last half of the twentieth century. While time constraints restrict a consideration of every artist, a selection of practitioners will be addressed. That said, this course affirms the importance of questions rather than finite answers, celebrates ambiguity and neglects any attempt at surveying and summarizing the field of modern and contemporary art.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62000  ART HISTORY RESEARCH METHODS AND RESOURCES  2 Credit Hours
This course is designed to support research and writing at the graduate level in art history. Class time is customized to provide students with assistance in strategies required for graduate research papers and thesis preparation. Significant emphasis will be placed on becoming familiar with different methods and theories of art history research.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 2 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62091  ART HISTORY SEMINAR  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Open format course with topics announced in advance. Designed to allow in-depth examination of selected topics.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62095  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Discussion and lecture course whose topic changes in accordance with the interest and competence of the faculty. Special focus on problems and issues in the different areas of the discipline.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62096  SELECTED PROBLEMS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 9 credit hours) Course content changes each semester according to the topic, entailing discussion and lectures on specific problems issues and areas in art history.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62091  ART HISTORY SEMINAR  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Open format course with topics announced in advance. Designed to allow in-depth examination of selected topics.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62095  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Discussion and lecture course whose topic changes in accordance with the interest and competence of the faculty. Special focus on problems and issues in the different areas of the discipline.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62096  SELECTED PROBLEMS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 9 credit hours) Course content changes each semester according to the topic, entailing discussion and lectures on specific problems issues and areas in art history.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62095  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Discussion and lecture course whose topic changes in accordance with the interest and competence of the faculty. Special focus on problems and issues in the different areas of the discipline.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62096  SELECTED PROBLEMS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 9 credit hours) Course content changes each semester according to the topic, entailing discussion and lectures on specific problems issues and areas in art history.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62095  SPECIAL TOPICS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Discussion and lecture course whose topic changes in accordance with the interest and competence of the faculty. Special focus on problems and issues in the different areas of the discipline.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTH 62096  SELECTED PROBLEMS: ART HISTORY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 9 credit hours) Course content changes each semester according to the topic, entailing discussion and lectures on specific problems issues and areas in art history.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 14000  DRAWING 1  3 Credit Hours
Fundamental drawing and studio experiences; exploration of basic drawing ideas and media. Work produced in class must be retained for later portfolio presentation in ART 30001.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Arts and Humanities
ARTS 14001 DRAWING II 3 Credit Hours
Continued practice in drawing with emphasis upon dimensional representation, pictorial structure and the breakdown of formal elements. Work produced in this class must be retained for later portfolio presentation in ART 30001.
Prerequisite: ARTS 14000.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 24002 DRAWING AS A STUDIO PRACTICE 3 Credit Hours
An introduction to advanced concepts and ideas which enable the student to understand and professionally realize their drawings as a studio practice. Work produced in this course must be retained for later portfolio presentation in ART 30001.
Prerequisite: ARTS 14000 and ARTS 14001.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 24010 INTRODUCTION TO FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY 3 Credit Hours
Introductory studio/lecture course which introduces fine art photography with an aesthetic, contemporary approach. Students learn traditional and digital photographic image-making applications and the historical underpinnings of the photograph in modern art. Research paper and portfolio required. Work produced in this course must be retained for later portfolio presentation in ART 30001.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 24040 INTRODUCTION TO PRINT MEDIA 3 Credit Hours
Course gives the beginning student an overview of basic printmaking techniques and an understanding of what a print is, its form in both unique and multiple formats, and how these function in culture. Printmaking processes result in a rich array of pictorial possibilities and methodological approaches. Students are exposed to the basic techniques and concepts of relief, intaglio and monotype applications for printmaking.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Arts and Humanities

ARTS 24051 INTRODUCTION TO SCULPTURAL PRACTICE 3 Credit Hours
Course provides a firm grounding in the rudiments of sculpture and sculpture's expanding field. Drawing on historical, aesthetic and technical strategies of generating and understanding sculpture, students are guided toward the realization of three-dimensional form. Discussions of materials, processes and hands-on practice empower the student to move from concept to completed work, engendering a better understanding of how sculpture is situated within the context of culture and society at large. Students explore the formal properties and expressive potential of materials, including mold making and casting, wood, metal and experimental media. Readings, slide presentations, discussions and critiques help provide the vocabulary for such an understanding.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 24061 INTRODUCTION TO PAINTING 3 Credit Hours
Acrylic-based media is used to introduce the fundamentals of building a painting, the development of a sophisticated painting vocabulary, and a confident understanding of color. Emphasis on observational painting from life through varied techniques, with an introduction to tools, processes and best studio practices. Work must be retained for later portfolio presentation in Art 30001.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 25310 FOUNDATIONS IN WEAVING 3 Credit Hours
Weaving – the systematic interlacement of two elements – is a direct way to construct a plane while simultaneously creating surface imagery. Integration of structure and surface provides the foundation for exploration with a focus on the development of constructed form to create compositional fields. Students are introduced to weaving on the four-shaft floor loom through the study of basic weave structures, fiber types, dye processes and yarn composition. The predictability of loom-controlled weaves is complicated with the exploration of hand dyed yarns and a variety of weaver-controlled techniques including tapestry, brocade and inlay. Study of the global, historic and contemporary position of weaving as an artistic discipline occurs through readings, presentations and class discussions. Overall, emphasis is placed on the development of a strong technical language to further expression with an awareness of from where materials and techniques come. In this intensive hands-on class, students produce both experimental compositions and finished works. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.
Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 25400 CERAMICS I 3 Credit Hours
An introduction to the use of clay as applied to the design and construction of utilitarian and sculptural forms. Major emphasis is on developing hand building skills and wheel throwing techniques. Instruction in the basic understanding of clay bodies, glazes, decoration and firing of high-fire stoneware ceramics.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: TAG Arts and Humanities

ARTS 25600 INTRODUCTION TO GLASS WORKING 3 Credit Hours
Introduction to studio glass through technique and brief history. Both basic glass blowing and glass casting techniques and problems are covered.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 25700 INTRODUCTION TO JEWELRY METALS 3 Credit Hours
Introduction to basic jewelry and metalsmithing techniques including cold connection, sheet fabrication, forming and finishing. Emphasis on advancing design skills and critical analysis. Exposure to historical and contemporary works.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34002 FIGURE DRAWING 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Extensive studio practice of traditional and contemporary approaches to the human figure. Critical analysis of the figure from the Renaissance through postmodernism. Students work from a nude model.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24002.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34003 DRAWING: STRUCTURE AND EXPERIMENTATION 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Extensive exploration of advanced drawing concepts and ideas as strategies for experimentation with process and materials.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24002.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34043 INTAGLIO 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This class is designed to give the intermediate student an overview of various intaglio processes in relationship to contemporary art practice. During this hands-on studio experience, students will apply principles and techniques taught in class into the evolution of their own personal aesthetics. The resulting visual statements will combine those principles, techniques, and aesthetics with ideas and conceptual content.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24040.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34044 SCREENPRINT 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This class is designed to give the intermediate student an overview of screenprint techniques in relationship to contemporary art practice. During this hands-on studio experience, students will apply principles and techniques taught in class into the evolution of their own personal aesthetics. The resulting visual statements will combine those principles and aesthetics with ideas and conceptual content.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24040.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34045 LITHOGRAPHY 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This class is designed to give the intermediate student an overview of various lithographic processes in relationship to contemporary art practice. During this hands-on studio experience, students will apply principles and techniques taught in class into the evolution of their own personal aesthetics. The resulting visual statements will combine those principles and aesthetics with ideas and conceptual content.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24040.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34050 LIFE MODELING 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum of 6 credit hours) Traditional life modeling course in which students work almost exclusively from observation. The focus is on developing skills with clay, understanding the human form, understanding proportions, learning how to make armatures as well as developing a personal and expressive way of approaching the figure.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24051.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34051 SCULPTURAL OBJECT 3 Credit Hours
Course builds on ARTS 24051 with a greater emphasis on content, proficiency, technical expertise, craftsmanship and understanding of contemporary sculpture. Students explore the object in space, delineating issues of scale, materiality, representation, abstraction, metaphor and hybridity. Drawing on historical, aesthetic and technical strategies of generating and understanding sculpture, students are guided toward the realization of more sophisticated and complex ways of handling materials and incorporating meaning. Discussions of materials, processes and hands-on practice empower the student to move from concept to completed work, engendering a better understanding of how sculpture is situated within the context of culture and society at large. Readings, slide presentations, discussions and critiques help provide the vocabulary for such an understanding.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24051.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 34052  TIME ARTS  3 Credit Hours
This interdisciplinary course investigates the fundamentals of time-based media and its intersection with sculptural practice. Students build on concepts from ARTS 24051 to gain a broader understanding of multiple methods of making including performance, video, site and situation-specific works, as well as the use of traditional sculptural materials. Discussions of materials, processes and hands-on practice empower the student to move from concept to completed work engendering a better understanding of how sculpture is situated within the contemporary art world. Readings, slide presentations, discussions and critiques help provide the vocabulary for such an understanding.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24051.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34053  SITE AND INSTALLATION  3 Credit Hours
This interdisciplinary course builds on concepts introduced in ARTS 24051, and expands on a variety of approaches in developing site-specific installations by considering the relationship between object/context, public/private, interior/exterior and urban/rural. Through the manipulation of materials, found objects and time-based media, students are introduced to concepts of space, intention, site and intervention through experimental approaches. Students further develop an understanding of material and context through in-depth readings, lectures and critical dialogue. Sculptural techniques, performance, photography and video art are covered and incorporated into the course. Studio time is supplemented by readings, lectures and site visits around campus.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24051.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34061  INTERMEDIATE PAINTING  3 Credit Hours
Continuation of painting from observation with an introduction to oil paints and mediums. Students will look outside of the still life at various subjects including spatial dynamics, the figure, and abstracted imagery. Introduction to oil painting tools, processes, and best studio practices.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24061.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34062  PAINTING STRATEGIES: PROCESS AND CONTENT  3 Credit Hours
This course focuses on conceptual prompts relative to contemporary issues to encourage a variety of processes and material approaches to making paintings. Students continue the idea of building a painting through the iterative process of making, analyzing, and editing their work throughout the semester. The painting is a live surface, a place to collect and record information, and this course insists that students consider a wide range of formal and conceptual choices to best address content. Each project will be initiated with rigorous research and further supported by exposure to visual examples of historic and contemporary painting, readings, written responses, seminar-style discussions, and numerous critiques of both in-progress and finished work.
Prerequisite: ARTS 34061.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 34063  PAINTING STRATEGIES: IMAGE AND CONTENT  3 Credit Hours
This course investigates various contemporary painting strategies through the use of images as source materials, with a strong emphasis on narrative. Moving away from direct observation and towards the abstraction of imagery, students will be asked to approach their practice through research, preliminary studies and sketches, and a self-driven investigation of the use of images to create concept. Various prompts will be assigned and are designed to provide students with a stronger understanding of the use of found, self-produced, or appropriated imagery as reference for their work, while helping each student build a direction for their painting practice. We will look to other mediums such as film, photography, collage, and advertising to inform the painted image and improve the reading of contemporary painting. We will look to other mediums to better contextualize the painted image in contemporary art.
Prerequisite: ARTS 34061.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35095  STUDIO ART: SPECIAL TOPICS  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Specialized courses in studio art that focus on specific techniques and media.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35302  FELTMAKING  3 Credit Hours
Felt is an anti-fabric. Unique among textiles, feltmaking is the only method of cloth construction that wholly denies the grid. Through hands-on intensives and independent research, students engage the unique attributes of feltmaking through planar, pictorial and dimensional outputs. Felt’s relationship to conceptual art, post-modernist sculpture, kitsch and camp are explored alongside the study of its social and cultural position within the global history of textiles. Material and technical vocabularies are framed through course texts, presentations and critical discussions. Students output studies and realized works which engage felt as an artistic medium. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.
Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35305  TEXTILES: ACCESSORIES - DESIGN AND PRODUCTION  3 Credit Hours
Focus is on the design and production of textile accessories using the structural process of weaving. Texture, material, and color are critically and creatively considered in relation to the development of unique functional objects. Professional design objectives are presented.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 35310  OFF-LOOM  3 Credit Hours
This course focuses on the architectural aspects of interlacement. Moving off the loom, students construct with thread, yarn and other long flexible materials to transform line into planar or sculptural form. Explorations engage space and the pliability of textiles to emphasize the physical and tactile aspects of the materials and construction methods inherent to fiber. Processes such as plaiting, netting, knotting, looping, wrapping, coiling, ropemaking and basketry provide a foundational vocabulary in the exploration of dimensional textiles. The use of traditional materials are combined with found materials to further engage the question of material meaning. Students approach the sensibilities of weaving outside of highly technologized looms by working with direct and accessible tools to find freedom in the pursuit of experimental form. These material and technical vocabularies are framed through course texts, presentations and critical discussions. Students output studies and realized works which engage relief, sculpture and space. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.

Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.

Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35311  PRINT FOR TEXTILES AND ALTERNATIVE SURFACES  3 Credit Hours
As a holistic exploration of printed textiles, this course presents a range of processes for printing on cloth and alternative substrates. The use of inks, dyes, resists, discharges and additional chemical processes are introduced and explored. Students create hand-drawn, computer generated and photographic images to explore foundational print vocabularies such as block printing, mono printing, screen printing, multiples, color relationships, composition, repeat patterns, color layering, CMYK and experimental alternative processes. The relevance of printed textiles in the expanded field of contemporary art is emphasized. Interdisciplinary and experimental uses of the printed surface are encouraged throughout the development of personal research and practice. Critical discussion of core texts and individualized research occur in tandem with studio activity. Students produce studies and fully realized artworks developed through in-process discussions and presented in formal critique settings. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.

Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.

Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35312  DIGITAL TEXTILES  3 Credit Hours
With connections to technology and industry, textile practices employ digital platforms to speculate form and simulate materiality. Building off these techno-industrial strategies, students engage hybrid making that moves between the screen and material to imagine textile futures. Workshops present a digital textile vocabulary encompassing digital design, repeat and pattern layouts and material simulation. Student work is output through digital fabrication resources at the DI HUB. Coursework considers practices that engage textiles across experiential and technological platforms in contemporary art and design. Essential to this inquiry, students participate in critical discussions of core texts alongside their own making. Studio production engages digital design and outsourced fabrication. This work yields studies and fully realized artworks developed through in-process discussions and presented in formal critique settings. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.

Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.

Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35313  BACKSTRAP WEAVING  3 Credit Hours
This rhizomatic potential of weaving is exemplified with backstrap weaving where looms are constructed and altered freely according to the improvisational vision of the weaver. Working from this orientation, this course engages the fluidity of the backstrap loom to transgress binary thinking, and further integrate skill building alongside conceptual development. Students combine traditional and experimental materials with the exploration of four-selvedge cloth, brocade and double cloth to develop a rigorous vocabulary. Visual, pictorial, architectural, sculptural, performative and nomadic practices are explored in a polynary pursuit of weaving. Making occurs in concert with the study of woven cosmologies that predate the modernist lineage. Studio production oscillates between generating material vocabularies and self-directed making workshopped through regular critiques. This coursework considers weaving expansively to disrupt dominant paradigms that define textility through technological and social binaries. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.

Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.

Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 35316  DYE AND COLOR  3 Credit Hours
Color is a uniquely slippery element that can shift before our eyes just as it inflects social, political and emotional meaning upon the visual world. In this course, dyes are an interface to explore the formal and conceptual possibilities of color. Students are introduced to natural and synthetic dye technologies, and develop vocabulary in immersion dyeing, direct application of dyes, dye resists and dye discharges. Alongside material outputs, students investigate the social, economic and historic position of dyes and dyestuffs. Consideration of color as a source of content is a primary point of focus. Coursework includes studio activity, critical discussion of core texts and individualized research. Students produce studies and fully realized artworks developed through in-process discussions and presented in formal critique settings. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.
Prerequisite: Accessories minor or School of Art major or School of Fashion major or Textiles minor.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35400  FUNCTIONAL APPROACHES TO CLAY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Intermediate ceramics course focused on creating functional pottery utilizing the wheel and hand building. A range of techniques are demonstrated to build skills and understanding of pottery making, design, function, surface decoration and the concept of made forms. Students learn how to make clay and glazes from dry materials as well as how to fire a gas kiln.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25400.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35401  SCULPTURAL APPROACHES IN CLAY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An intermediate course focusing on all aspects of sculptural ceramics. Course may include explorations in three-dimensional form, the human figure, mold making, multiples and installation.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25400.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35602  FLAMEWORKED GLASS  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An investigation of techniques, tools, equipment and materials involved in glass lampworking processes. The course covers basic melting, shaping and blowing with a glass flameworking torch.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35603  GLASS BLOWING  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Further exploration of glass blowing techniques. Design, form, color and execution are emphasized.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25600.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35604  SCULPTURAL AND KILN-FORMED GLASS  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An overview and exploration of sculptural and kiln-formed glass techniques. Casting, pattern making, mold making and cold construction are covered. Design, form, content and technical execution and understanding operations of equipment are emphasized.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35700  JEWELRY CONCEPTS AND TECHNIQUES  3 Credit Hours
An in-depth exploration of jewelry making techniques such as enameling, casting, stone setting, mechanisms and fabrication. Conceptual development and design skills are emphasized. To gain a deeper understanding of the subject, historical and contemporary works are viewed and discussed.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25700.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35701  METALSMITHING CONCEPTS AND TECHNIQUES  3 Credit Hours
Course offers an in-depth exploration of larger scale fabrication, mechanisms, chasing and repoussé and hammer working techniques (raising, forging and shell forming). Conceptual development and design skills are emphasized. To gain a deeper understanding of the subject, historical and contemporary works are viewed and discussed.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25700.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 35704  ENAMELING CONCEPTS AND TECHNIQUES  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An in-depth exploration of vitreous enameling techniques on two-dimensional surfaces. Champlévé, cloisonné and sifted enamel approaches are highlighted. Conceptual development and design skills are emphasized. To gain a deeper understanding of the subject, historical and contemporary works are viewed and discussed.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25700.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44002  ADVANCED DRAWING FOR ALL DISCIPLINES  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 54002) An advanced drawing course, open to all studio disciplines, with an emphasis on students pursuing individually conceived problems in close consultation one-on-one with faculty.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and ARTS 24002.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 44010 ADVANCED FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY    3 Credit Hours
Combined studio/lecture course offering more advanced, conceptual approaches to the contemporary applications of photographic imaging for artists. Students work with larger scale printing formats, more involved research and greater depth of involvement with the photographic medium.
Prerequisite: ARTS 24010 and ARTS 30001.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44011 DIGITAL FINE ART PHOTOGRAPHY    3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 54011) Students develop their technical and conceptual skills in fine art digital photography, and develop a contemporary approach to working with the medium. Students explore various photographic and digital techniques, and form an awareness of such techniques in contemporary photography.
Prerequisite: Minimum C grade in ART 10022.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 5 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44043 ADVANCED PRINT MEDIA    3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 9 credit hours) Advanced printmaking course with emphasis on students producing new, individually conceived visual works in print media in close consultation with faculty.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and ARTS 34043 or ARTS 34044 or ARTS 34045.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44045 ART OF THE BOOK    3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 54045) An introduction to artists' books. A variety of binding methods and strategies for creating art through alternative and traditional book forms are introduced. Students complete projects and develop a personal visual language through the book form.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44046 PAPERMAKING    3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 54046) This course introduces students to both traditional and experimental uses of handmade paper. This course combines presentations, demonstrations, group brainstorming sessions, field trips and critiques to apply towards papermaking projects. An artist research presentation and final presentation are required to encourage students to engage in outside resources and self reflect on semester-long growth. Papermaking techniques include but are not limited to: European sheet formation, pulp pigmenting, pulp painting, stenciling, embedding, paper casting and sheet wrapping. Paper fibers incorporated in this course include but are not limited to: abaca, cotton, flax and mulberry. Both two-dimensional and three-dimensional approaches to papermaking are explored. Exploration and experimentation are encouraged with equal demands on craft.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44051 ADVANCED SCULPTURAL PRACTICE    3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Course is self-directed, in which students create a series of sculptural works in consultation with the instructor and through ongoing student-led presentations, discussions and in-progress and final critiques. Emphasis is on creating a body of work throughout the semester that is informed by and demonstrates an awareness of contemporary practice in terms of approaches to content, form and presentation. Students can work in a variety of ways: object making, installation, site-based and/or time-based approaches. Research and writing are emphasized. Readings, slide presentations, discussions and critiques help provide context and vocabulary for student development.
Prerequisite: ART 30001 and ARTS 24051; and ARTS 34051 or ARTS 34052 or ARTS 34053.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44060 ADVANCED PAINTING: PRACTICE AND THEORY    3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Advanced painting course with an emphasis on pursuing individually conceived problems in close consultation with faculty.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and ARTS 34061; and ARTS 34062 or ARTS 34063.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44070 DIGITAL FABRICATION IN STUDIO ART    3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 54070) This course is an introduction to digital fabrication technologies as they relate to a studio practice. Mastery of software skills enables one to better explore object-making as a medium of personal expression. In addition to technical skills, the course will introduce relationships between form, subject matter, and content. Projects will include technical and conceptual problem solving, design lessons, object making and short student lead initiatives to connect to maker spaces and industries that can support future making. Instructor facilitated discussions between students will form a community of mutual learning.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44091 VARIABLE CONTENT SEMINAR: STUDIO ART    3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Slashed with ARTS 54091) Contemporary issues related to visual arts are explored through presentation, lecture, and discussion. Guest speakers augment staff.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 44096 INDIVIDUAL STUDY: STUDIO ART    1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Additional study in area of student’s choice in consultation with advisor.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and a major in Studio Art; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 2-12 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 44098  RESEARCH IN STUDIO ART (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Studio research in the visual arts.
Prerequisite: Junior or senior standing.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTS 4492  INTERNSHIP OR PRACTICUM IN STUDIO ART (ELR)  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An undergraduate, experience-based learning activity carried out in a visual arts setting. Emphasis is on the goals of connecting ideas, concepts, and skills developed in coursework to applications in new or different contexts, demonstrating how this experience has broadened students' understanding of their discipline, and reflection on the significance of the experience.
Prerequisite: A major in the School of Art; junior or senior standing; and special approval of faculty sponsor.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 3-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTS 45080  KENT BLOSSOM ART  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Studio exploration of selected concepts in studio art: painting; drawing; sculpture and expanded media; print media and photography; ceramics; glass; jewelry; metals and enameling; textiles. Content varies with each section offered.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-12 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 45089  INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: STUDIO ART (DIVG) (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) A Kent State faculty-led study abroad experience in studio art that integrates traditional classroom learning with experiential activities and site visits outside the United States.
Prerequisite: Studio Art major; and special approval.
Schedule Type: International Experience, Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Diversity Global, Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTS 45090  STUDY AWAY: STUDIO ART (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Studio art disciplines at a site at or away from Kent State University.
Prerequisite: Studio Art major.
Schedule Type: Study Away
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTS 45095  SPECIAL TOPICS: STUDIO ART  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Specialized courses in studio art that focus on specific techniques and media.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-12 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45098  SENIOR THESIS RESEARCH AND PROPOSAL (ELR)  1 Credit Hour
(Repeatable for credit) Preparatory course, which acts as an exploratory period for students to develop their ideas - conceptually, thematically and materially - through research, writing and physical material studies. Upon successful completion, students may continue with ARTS 45099.
Prerequisite: Major in Studio Art; senior standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 1.6 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTS 45099  SENIOR THESIS EXHIBITION (ELR)  3 Credit Hours
This course prepares students for the challenges of a creative professional practice in their chosen discipline. As the culmination of undergraduate studies, the course serves as a capstone experience for students in their chosen concentration. Provides students an opportunity to independently develop and create a body of work for exhibition and oral review with faculty. Requires the completion of an undergraduate thesis and professional caliber photo documentation of the exhibition.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Project or Capstone
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

ARTS 45300  JACQUARD: DIGITAL WEAVING  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) The digitally interfaced jacquard goes beyond the limitations of the floor loom, allowing for direct control of individual threads to enable image/materialization. Incorporating mediation and handwork, students explore the historical and conceptual interstices of digital technology, weaving and picture-making. This advanced course investigates the tensions between digital interfaces and material outputs while engaging their cooperative possibilities. Inquiries into the implications of aesthetics, skill and technology are explored alongside the relationship of cloth and image. A vocabulary of woven constructions, patterns, colors and textures are developed using the digital jacquard loom. Coursework incorporates the computer, handweaving, reading, research and critical dialogue. A personal laptop computer is required for this course. We reclaim the jacquard as a hand loom to articulate form that can only emerge through the confrontation and synthesis of body and technology. The weaver embodies the cyborg. Students who do not meet the prerequisites may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.
Prerequisite: ARTS 45314 or ARTS 45351; and junior standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45301  TEXTILES: ADVANCED STUDIO  3 Credit Hours
Structured time for individual investigations in textiles. Emphasis on self-designed study. Bi-weekly presentations of contemporary work in textiles and weekly discussions or critiques with open studio.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 45307  TEXTILES: WEAVING AND COLOR   3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 55307) This course will provide students with an opportunity to explore numerous techniques that emphasize the interaction of color in relation to the unique interlacement process of weaving. Use of different looms (including the floor and frame) will provide the means to integrate color with patterns and image in the connection of warp and weft. Immersion dyeing will be introduced along with specialized direct dye application methods.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45308  TEXTILE ARTS AND GENDER   3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 55308) Textile Arts and Gender is designed as an exploratory learning experience. Through weekly readings and discussions, students will engage with historical and contemporary ideas of how textiles relate to gender and how this informs contemporary textile art practice. Simultaneously, students will be learning textile art techniques chosen because of their close association with historical notions of the feminine, the decorative, and the domestic. Students will also study the contemporary use of these same techniques in textile works that explore the concepts of gender, feminism, and subversion.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45314  PRACTICES IN WEAVING: TAPESTRY   3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 55314) (Repeatable for credit) This intensive studio course considers tapestry expansively as an interface through which weaving contributes to aesthetics and meaning according to its own logic and history. Woven form is realized in collaboration with the tectonic grid of the loom, yielding a unique relationship to image-making; the structural surface and the image it bears are one and the same. Working with multi-harness floor looms, students engage this question through rigorous material explorations. Vocabulary is expanded through the study of double cloth, discontinuous/supplementary wefts and dye processes. The position of weaving as a progenitor of abstraction and the role of color as a catalyst for meaning are essential points of inquiry. Critical discussion of core texts and individualized research occur in tandem with studio activity. Students produce studies and fully realized artworks developed through in-process discussions and presented in formal critique settings. This work considers the practice of weaving as an expansive playground to complicate the paradigms of contemporary art with textility. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25310.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45351  PRACTICES IN WEAVING: LOOM-THINKING   3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 55351) (Repeatable for credit) This intensive studio course focuses on weaving and its relationship to the evolving landscape of contemporary art. Working with multi-harness floor looms, students engage rigorous questions in imagery, sculptural form and spatial intervention. Vocabulary is expanded through the study of complex woven constructions, hand and digital drafting and dye processes. Emphasis is placed on developing fluency with the language and logic of the loom. Here, students enter the space of “loom-thinking” to create, mutate, subvert and interrupt weave drafts and thread interlacements in the production of woven form. Through their developing technical virtuosity, students push the algorithmic sensibility of weaving toward visual and material poetics. Critical discussion of core texts and individualized research occur in tandem with studio activity. Students produce studies and fully realized artworks developed through in-process discussions and presented in formal critique settings. This work considers the practice of weaving as an expansive playground to complicate the paradigms of contemporary art with textility. Students who do not meet the prerequisite may register for the course with special approval. Please speak to an advisor for more information.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25310.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45400  ADVANCED CERAMICS   3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Course is designed to assist and guide students in developing their own personal art practice, concepts and skills using the ceramic medium. Personal research and critical thinking are emphasized during class discussions and critiques.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and ARTS 35400 or ARTS 35401.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45500  ADVANCED GLASS WORKING   3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Individual exploration of sculptural and hot glass techniques. Design, form, content and execution strongly emphasized. Introduction to studio facility design, construction and maintenance.
Prerequisite: ART 30001; and two of the following courses: ARTS 35602, ARTS 35603 and ARTS 35604.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45700  JEWELRY DESIGN AND PRODUCTION   3 Credit Hours
Course examines strategies and techniques to effectively enter the jewelry field. Industrial applications to produce multiples, research into specialized markets and packaging of work are addressed. Design and professional practice skills are emphasized.
Prerequisite: ARTS 35700.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
ARTS 45705 CAD FOR JEWELRY 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 55705) Students develop a set of comprehensive computer-aided design (CAD) skills to be utilized in a variety of studies such as sculpture design, jewelry making and many others. CAD skills are developed through the investigation of laser cutting, 3D modeling, project planning and 3D printing. Mastery of these techniques enable students to better explore object-making as a medium of personal expression. Although there are many technical components to learn, the instructor also focuses on the relationship between form, subject matter and content.
Prerequisite: ART 30001 and ARTS 25700.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45707 CONTEMPORARY APPROACHES IN METALSMITHING 3 Credit Hours
Course introduces students to current trends in the creation of metalsmithed objects. "Materialsmiting", new technologies and industrial applications are joined with historically important metalsmithing principles in the ideation and creation of new works. Research and conceptual development are emphasized.
Prerequisite: ART 30001 and ARTS 35701.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 45708 BODY ORNAMENTATION 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 55708) Course addresses the expanding theories and techniques used to adorn the body within jewelry metals and enamel. New technologies, material exploration and contemporary practices in adornment are presented. Conceptual development and research are emphasized.
Prerequisite: ARTS 25700.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 54002 ADVANCED DRAWING FOR ALL DISCIPLINES 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 44002) An advanced drawing course, open to all studio disciplines, with an emphasis on students pursuing individually conceived problems in close consultation one-on-one with faculty.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 54005 ART OF THE BOOK 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 44005) An introduction to artists’ books. A variety of binding methods and strategies for creating art through alternative and traditional book forms are introduced. Students complete projects and develop a personal visual language through the book form.
Prerequisite: Master of Arts degree or Master of Fine Arts degree; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 54045 DIGITAL FABRICATION IN STUDIO ART 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 44045) This course introduces students to both traditional and experimental uses of handmade paper. This course combines presentations, demonstrations, group brainstorming sessions, field trips and critiques to apply towards papermaking projects. An artist research presentation and final presentation are required to encourage students to engage in outside resources and self reflect on semester-long growth. Papermaking techniques include but are not limited to: European sheet formation, pulp pigmentation, pulp painting, stenciling, embedding, paper casting and sheet wrapping. Paper fibers incorporated in this course include but are not limited to: abaca, cotton, flax and mulberry. Both two-dimensional and three-dimensional approaches to papermaking are explored. Exploration and experimentation are encouraged with equal demands on craft.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 54046 PAPERMAKING 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 44046) This course introduces students to both traditional and experimental uses of handmade paper. This course combines presentations, demonstrations, group brainstorming sessions, field trips and critiques to apply towards papermaking projects. An artist research presentation and final presentation are required to encourage students to engage in outside resources and self reflect on semester-long growth. Papermaking techniques include but are not limited to: European sheet formation, pulp pigmentation, pulp painting, stenciling, embedding, paper casting and sheet wrapping. Paper fibers incorporated in this course include but are not limited to: abaca, cotton, flax and mulberry. Both two-dimensional and three-dimensional approaches to papermaking are explored. Exploration and experimentation are encouraged with equal demands on craft.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

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Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 54049 VARIOUS CONTENT SEMINAR: STUDIO ART 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 44049) Contemporary issues related to visual arts are explored through presentation, lecture and discussion. Guest speakers augment staff.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

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ARTS 54192  INTERNSHIP OR PRACTICUM IN STUDIO ART  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 44192) An undergraduate, experience-based learning activity carried out in a visual arts setting. Emphasis is on the goals of connecting ideas, concepts, and skills developed in coursework to applications in new or different contexts, demonstrating how this experience has broadened students' understanding of their discipline, and reflection on the significance of the experience.
Prerequisite: A major in the School of Art; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Practical Experience
Contact Hours: 3-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 55080  KENT BLOSSOM ART  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 45080) Studio exploration in the visual arts, including ceramics, drawing, glass, jewelry-metals-enameling, painting, print media and photography, sculpture and expanded media and textiles.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-12 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 55089  INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE: STUDIO ART  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 45089) A Kent State faculty-led study abroad experience in studio art that integrates traditional classroom learning with experiential activities and site visits outside the United States.
Prerequisite: Studio Art major; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: International Experience, Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

ARTS 55090  STUDY AWAY: STUDIO ART  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 45090) Study away in studio art disciplines at a site at or away from Kent State University.
Prerequisite: Studio Art major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Study Away
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

ARTS 55095  STUDIO ART: SPECIAL TOPICS  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Slashed with ARTS 45095) Specialized courses in studio art that focus on specific techniques and media.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-12 other
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Prerequisite: Studio Art major; and graduate standing; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 55708  BODY ORNAMENTATION   3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with ARTS 45708)(Repeatable for credit) Course addresses the expanding theories and techniques used to adorn the body within jewelry metals and enamel. New technologies, material exploration and contemporary practices in adornment are presented. Conceptual development and research are emphasized.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 64000  GRADUATE SEMINAR I: STUDIO ART   3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This graduate seminar intends to bring together graduate students working across disciplines to facilitate their participation in creating a framework for understanding the practice of art-making in relation to the contemporary global and cultural terrain.
Prerequisite: ARTS 64000; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

ARTS 64014  GRADUATE STUDIO: PRINT MEDIA AND PHOTOGRAPHY I   1-9 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Advance research-based, hands-on studio course providing a context for individual creative projects in the Print Media and Photography concentration.
Prerequisite: ARTS 64040; and print media and photography concentration in the studio art major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 64040  GRADUATE STUDIO: PRINT MEDIA AND PHOTOGRAPHY I   1-9 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Research-based, hands-on studio course providing a context for individual creative projects in the Print Media and Photography concentration.
Prerequisite: Print media and photography concentration in the studio art major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 64050  GRADUATE STUDIO: SCULPTURE AND EXPANDED MEDIA I   1-9 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Research-based, hands-on studio course providing a context for individual creative projects in the Sculpture and Expanded Media concentration.
Prerequisite: Sculpture and expanded media concentration in the studio art major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-18 other
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(Repeatable for credit) Advanced research-based, hands-on studio course
providing a context for individual creative projects and cultivating a
personal direction in the Jewelry, Metals, Enameling concentration.
Prerequisite: Jewelry, metals and enameling concentration in the studio
art major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 65701  GRADUATE STUDIO: JEWELRY, METALS, ENAMELING II
1-9 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Advanced research-based, hands-on studio course
providing a context for individual creative projects and cultivating a
personal direction in the Jewelry, Metals, Enameling concentration.
Prerequisite: ARTS 65700; and jewelry, metals and enameling
concentration in the studio art major; and graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Studio
Contact Hours: 2-18 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP

ARTS 65991  SEMINAR IN STUDIO ART  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Contemporary issues and professional concerns
in studio art explored through presentations, lectures, and discussion.
Graduate faculty and guest speakers.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter