

Fall 2023, Monday/Wednesday 3:00–5:50 p.m., In-Person

Image Making & Color Theory

course syllabus: **ADES 2515.501**

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Please book appointments in 20 minute time blocks.

In-person meetings on M&W 10:00 – 11:00

Zoom appointments available: – *please email requests for all appointments*

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Image Making & Color Theory: 3 hours. In this introductory course, students will develop conceptually based analog, mixed media, and digital illustration skills and study and apply color theory.

PREREQUISITES

Students must have completed ADES 1540 successfully.

COURSE CONTENT

Image Making and Color Theory is an introductory course in which students will develop fundamental analog, mixed media, and digital illustration skills. We'll explore a range of illustration techniques and broaden critical/conceptual thinking and problem-solving skills. Additionally, we will study the theory of color attributes and interactions, color terminology and development, color applications and pragmatic color control, evocative/emotional color content development, and control and color as a primary visual communication device.

FILE UPLOAD INSTRUCTIONS

Students will use their UNT Canvas account to turn in 300 dpi CMYK PDFs for each assignment and any preliminary work required for the assignment. Specific formats for individual projects may be requested per assignment. You will be notified in class if this occurs.

BOOK: REQUIRED

Color Design Workbook: A Real-World Guide to Using Color in Graphic Design by Sean Adams

SUGGESTED READING

Illustration: A Theoretical & Contextual Perspective by Alan Male

The Art of Color: The Subjective Experience and Objective Rationale of Color by Johannes Itten

Interaction of Color: Revised and Expanded Edition by Josef Albers

Charley Harper: An Illustrated Life by Todd Oldham

COURSE OBJECTIVES

A: Develop and demonstrate proficiency in the foundational principles of image-making: critical thinking, conceptual problem solving, composition, drawing skills, craftsmanship, and execution.

B: Develop and demonstrate proficiency in analog/alternative texture making.

C: Develop an awareness of the field of image-making/illustration, its history, vocabulary, professional illustrators, and current trends or movements.

D: Develop and demonstrate proficiency in basic color theory, color analysis, and color control.

E: Develop and demonstrate proficiency in controlling emotional/intellectual communication by understanding and manipulating form & color.

F: Develop and demonstrate proficiency in visual and verbal presentational skills.

G: Develop and demonstrate disciplined attendance and work habits.

COURSE STRUCTURE

This class is primarily structured around assigned studio problems. Students and the instructor will divide their time between lectures, demonstrations, critiques, and in-class work. Students will mainly be required to complete work outside of class for the duration of the semester. Students should plan to spend two to three hours working outside of class for every hour spent working in class. Students are expected to participate in the Sophomore Portfolio Review in December upon completion of this course unless otherwise discussed with the instructor.

GRADING & EVALUATION

Students' final grades will be based on three criteria:

1. Successful completion of assigned work
2. Attendance (see attached policy)
3. Class attitude, performance, and participation

Each project is worth:

Assignment 1: Graphic Interpretation: 20%
Assignment 2: Icon Design: 20%
Assignment 3: Application of Style Mashup: 20%
Assignment 4: Social Awareness/Assigned Poster: 35%
Final Color Exam: 5%

The maximum number of points a student can earn for design and concept is a total of 100%

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Your access point for business and academic services at UNT occurs at my.unt.edu. All official communication from the university will be delivered to your Eagle Connect account. For more information, please visit the website that explains Eagle Connect and how to forward your e-mail: eagleconnect.unt.edu.

DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATION

The University of North Texas makes reasonable academic accommodations for students with disabilities. Students seeking accommodation must first register with the Office of Disability Accommodation (ODA) to verify their eligibility. If a disability is verified, the ODA will provide you with an accommodation letter to be delivered to the faculty to begin a private discussion regarding your specific needs in a course. You may request accommodations at any time. However, ODA notices of accommodation should be provided as early as possible in the semester to avoid any delay in implementation. Note that students must obtain a new letter of accommodation for every semester and meet with each faculty member before implementation in each class. For additional information, see the Office of Disability Accommodation website at disability.unt.edu. You may also contact them by phone at 940.565.4323.

If you have a disability, it is your responsibility to obtain verifying information from the Office of Disability Accommodation (ODA) and inform me of your accommodation needs. Accommodation requests must be given to me no later than the first week of classes for students registered with the ODA at the beginning of the current semester. If you register with the ODA after the first week of classes, your accommodation requests will be considered after this deadline.

GRADING POLICY

Grades assigned before an accommodation is provided will not be changed. Information about obtaining academic accommodations can be found in UNT Policy 18.1.14, at unt.edu/oda, and by visiting the ODA in Sage Hall, 167. You also may call the ODA at 940.565.4323.

RISK FACTORS

Risk Factor: 2. In level 2 courses, students are exposed to some significant hazards but are not likely to suffer serious bodily injury. In this class, those risks are related to x-acto knife usage, adhesives, fumes, and repetitive stress injuries related to extended computer use. Students will be informed of any potential health hazards or potential bodily injury connected with the use of any materials and/or processes. They will be instructed how to proceed without danger to themselves or others."

Risk Factors for computer use: Several important risk factors for discomfort and injury need to be considered for prolonged computer use. These include awkward postures, high muscle loads, long durations of use, contact pressure on the body, and a high frequency of exertion. It has been shown that small reductions in exposure to these risk factors can significantly improve pain reduction and injury avoidance over time.

CHALLENGING CONTENT

The College of Visual Arts and Design is devoted to the principle of freedom of expression, artistic and otherwise, and it is not the college's practice to censor works or ideas on any of the following grounds including but not limited to; situations, actions, and language that can be personally challenging or offensive to some students. Students who might feel unduly distressed or made uncomfortable by such expressions should withdraw at the start of the term and seek another course.

EMERGENCIES

UNT uses a system called Eagle Alert to quickly notify you with critical information in the event of an emergency (i.e., severe weather, campus closing, and health and public safety emergencies like chemical spills, fires, or violence). The system sends voice messages (and text messages upon permission) to the phones of all active faculty staff and students. Please make certain to update your phone numbers at my.unt.edu. Some helpful emergency preparedness actions include: 1) know the evacuation routes and severe weather shelter areas in the buildings where your classes are held, 2) determine how you will contact family and friends if phones are temporarily unavailable, and 3) identify where you will go if you need to evacuate the Denton area suddenly. In the event of a university closure, please refer to unt.edu, Canvas, or email for contingency plans for covering course materials.

REGULAR ATTENDANCE POLICY

Good attendance and punctuality are expected for this class and will strongly affect your grades. The role will be taken at the beginning of every class. You will be considered late if you arrive after the roll has been taken. If you are late, it is your responsibility during that class period to make sure the instructor knows that you are present by leaving a note

with your name, date, and time of arrival with the instructor. If not received, you will be marked as absent. You will receive two (3) grace tardies. After the first three tardies, every four (4) tardies will equal one (1) unexcused absence. Only four (4) unexcused absences will be accepted. The fifth unexcused absence will lower your final semester grade by one letter grade. The sixth unexcused absence, excused or unexcused, will result in you receiving a failing grade (F) for the class. There are no excused absences for anything but a verifiable death in the immediate family or with a doctor's note on their stationery with a telephone number. The doctor's note must be presented at the next class. A receipt is unacceptable. If you are more than thirty minutes late, it will be counted as an unexcused absence.

4 tardies = 1 unexcused absence

The 5th unexcused absence = 1 final letter grade lower

Total 6 absences, excused or unexcused = F

If you are absent, you are responsible for contacting a class member to get any information or assignments given in class. The instructor will not use any class time to repeat missed lectures or assignments. Do not call the main office to leave the instructor a note that you are missing class for any reason. Under no circumstances should you leave a project with anyone in the main or design office. The office will not accept any projects. Incomplete daily work may result in additional unexcused absences at the discretion of the professor.

COVID-19 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Please refer to the University policy: <https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/student-health-and-wellness-center/resources/covid-19-information>

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Cell phones should be turned off when class begins. Laptops will only be opened for in-classwork. No checking personal e-mail, social media, or private text messaging will be tolerated. Failure to comply with this rule may result in point deductions in the professionalism section of your grade, rubrics, or an unexcused absence at the professor's discretion. Let your instructor know in advance if you have an extenuating circumstance concerning the above rules.

All projects are due on the day and time given at the beginning of class. No late projects will be accepted for grading. You are responsible for turning in work on time regardless of attendance.

PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism is a serious academic offense and may result in failure for an assignment, class, or removal from the University. Students caught cheating or plagiarizing will receive a "0" for that particular assignment or exam. The student will first be notified in writing via e-mail to schedule a face-to-face meeting with the instructor and another faculty member to determine the next level of action. If further action is warranted, the incident will be reported to the Dean of

Students, who may impose an additional penalty. According to the UNT catalog, the term "cheating" includes, but is not limited to: a. use of any unauthorized assistance in producing artwork or taking examinations; b. dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out assignments; c. the acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a faculty or staff member of the university; d. dual submission of a project, or re-submission of a project to a different class without express permission from the instructor(s); or e., any other act designed to give a student an unfair advantage. The term "plagiarism" includes, but is not limited to: a. the knowing or negligent use by copying of a published or unpublished work of another person without full and clear acknowledgment; and b. the knowing or negligent unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of stock imagery or other visual materials. Plagiarism is also literary or artistic theft. It is the false assumption of authorship, the wrongful act of taking the product of another person's mind and presenting it as one's own. Copying someone else's writing or art, intact or with inconsequential changes, and adding one's name to the result constitutes plagiarism.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Sexual harassment means unwelcome sex-based verbal or physical conduct that unreasonably interferes with a student's ability to participate in or benefit from educational programs or activities. For purposes of this policy, conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive if it is frequent, threatening, or humiliating in nature unreasonably interferes with or limits the student's ability to participate in or benefit from the University's educational program or activity, including when the conduct reasonably can be considered to create an intimidating, hostile, abusive or offensive educational environment. Conduct constituting sexual harassment, as defined herein, toward another person of the same or opposite sex is prohibited by this policy. Examples of conduct that might be considered sexual harassment under this policy may be found here: https://policy.unt.edu/sites/default/files/16.005SexualHarassment_0.pdf Page 2, Section 4, items a,b,c,d,e,f, and g.

FINANCIAL AID

Each University of North Texas student is entitled to certain rights associated with higher education institutions. See unt.edu/cssr for further information.

A student must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to continue to receive financial aid.

Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA in addition to successfully completing a required number of credit hours based on total registered hours per term. Students cannot exceed attempted credit hours above 150% of their required degree plan. If a student does not maintain the required standards, the student may lose their financial aid eligibility.

If you consider dropping this or any other course at any

point, please be advised that the decision to do so may have the potential to affect your current and future financial aid eligibility. Please visit financialaid.unt.edu/satisfactory-academic-progress-requirements for more information about financial aid Satisfactory Academic Progress. It may be wise for you to schedule a meeting with an academic advisor in your college or visit the Student Financial Aid and Scholarships office to discuss dropping a course before doing so.

You must use your UNT email address to communicate with professors. You may forward your UNT email to a private e-mail address via your My UNT settings.

RETENTION OF STUDENT RECORDS

Student records pertaining to this course are maintained in a secure location by the instructor of record. All records such as exams, answer sheets (with keys), and written papers submitted during the course duration are kept for at least one calendar year after course completion. Coursework completed via the Blackboard online system, including grading information and comments, is stored in a safe electronic environment for one year. You have a right to view your record; however, information about your records will not be divulged to other individuals without the proper written consent. You are encouraged to review the Public Information Policy and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

(FERPA) laws and the university's policy in accordance with those mandates at the following link: essc.unt.edu/registrar/ferpa.html

STUDENT EVALUATION OF INSTRUCTION

Student feedback is an essential part of participation in this course. The student evaluation of instruction is a requirement for all organized classes at UNT. This short survey will be made available at the end of the semester to provide you with an opportunity to evaluate how this course is taught.

ACCEPTABLE STUDENT BEHAVIOR

Student behavior that interferes with an instructor's ability to conduct a class or other students' learning opportunities is unacceptable and disruptive and will not be tolerated in any instructional forum at UNT. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior will be directed to leave the classroom. The instructor may refer the student to the Dean of Students to consider whether the student's conduct violated the Code of Student Conduct. The university's expectations for student conduct apply to all instructional forums, including university and electronic classrooms, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The Code of Student Conduct can be found at deanofstudents.unt.edu/conduct – Also see Zoom Etiquette below.

SUCCEED AT UNT

UNT endeavors to offer you a high-quality education and provide a supportive environment to help you learn and grow. And, as a faculty member, I am committed to helping you be successful as a student. Here's how to succeed at

UNT: Show up. Find Support. Get advised. Be prepared. Get involved. Stay focused.

To learn more about campus resources and information on how you can achieve success, go to success.unt.edu.

The instructor reserves the right to make adjustments/changes to the course syllabus with or without notice.

COMPUTER AND CONNECTIVITY REQUIREMENTS

Students are required to have computer access, Web browser software, and Internet connectivity for this course. Phones and tablets may be used as supplementary devices, but not for primary video conferences and Zoom screen-sharing. Zoom will be the classroom's video conference software. Please be familiar beforehand with various Zoom features available to you within the Web application. Online training within Zoom is available. It is highly recommended that you have access to a high-resolution scanner for some of these assignments. Scanner functionality is generally built-in to most desktop printers. Scanning features can be accessed through Adobe Photoshop. Adobe also offers mobile applications for creating useful digital textures and brushes. You can find these in the mobile app online store that is compatible with your mobile phone platform.

ZOOM ETIQUETTE (if required)

- Arrive a few minutes early.
- Dress appropriately for class.
- Turn your video on and engage in-class conversations.
- Stage your video area. Get off the sofa if possible.
- More light is better.
- Look into the camera. Adjust the camera to eye level.
- Test your own tech setup before class starts.
- Raise your hand and notify your professor to ask a question
- Find a quiet space, but one where you can also speak up when called upon.
- Stay muted if you're not talking.
- Don't multi-task conducting other business or academic activities during class.
- The Zoom chat is not private. Don't type things you don't want others to see.
- Please don't eat during class. Breaks will be given periodically.
- Don't conduct other private things during class.
- Stay focused and participate.
- Don't invite other people who aren't in the class.

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