



Syllabus

ART 310, Figure Drawing
Fort Hays State University
College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences
Department of Art and Design
Justin Price

1. COURSE INFORMATION

1.1. Credit Hours	3 credits
1.2. Semester and Year	Fall 2026
1.3. Course Prerequisites	Drawing I ART 101, Drawing II ART 102
1.4. Location of Class	CAD 219
1.5. Class Time	TT, 9:00-11:45

2. INSTRUCTOR INFORMATION

2.1. Instructor Contact Information

- Name: Justin Price
- Title: Assistant Professor
- Office Location: Schmidt Foundation Center for Art and Design, Room 215
- Office Hours: Mon/Wed 11AM-1PM, Tue/Thurs 12PM-1PM or by appointment
- Email Address: jbprice2@fhsu.edu
- Phone Number: 785-628-5919

2.2 Contact Procedure and Policy:

Email is the best contact method. I will return correspondence within 24 hours, if not sooner.

2.3. About the Instructor:

- Education and Teaching Background:
 - MFA, Painting, Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO
 - BFA, Fine Art, Academy of Art University, San Francisco, CA
- Research Areas of Interests:

Painting and drawing with an emphasis on the embodied practice of artmaking and its relationship to individual and societal experiences regarding the nature of being. <https://www.justinpriceart.com>



3. TEXTBOOK AND COURSE MATERIALS

3.1. Required Textbook(s): none

3.2. Supplementary Book(s) and Article(s): The Complete Guide to Anatomy for Artists and Illustrators, Gottfried Bammes

Article links are available on Blackboard.

3.3. Computer Requirements: Please refer to the [TigerTech webpage](#) to check the requirements. If you have any technical issues, contact FHSU TigerTech 785-628-3478, notify to the instructor.

4. COURSE DESCRIPTION

4.1. Course Description:

Building on the fundamental frameworks introduced in Drawing I and II, this course will explore techniques in various media to reinforce foundational techniques and develop a visual language in drawing the human form. The class will intensely explore the human figure as a subject to gain further knowledge of anatomy and different modes of self-expression. The class will engage through targeted projects and assignments that allow students to work with conceptual ideas. The course will also examine diverse examples of figurative works from art history and the contemporary art scene to explore various theoretical and historical topics to expand the student's perspective.

4.2. Regular and Substantive Interaction:

I will be in regular contact with you about the course, both as a group and on an individual basis. In-person communication in the classroom setting is the main way you will receive feedback for all your work. If you ever have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to reach out to discuss anything, both in-person and via email. You are always welcome to schedule time during office hours as well.

4.3. Recommendations for Success:

Attend every class and invest time outside of class totaling a minimum of 3 extra clock hours of work toward assignment production. Be active in discussions and critical analysis and be open to suggestions for improvement. Develop a working group of student peers in the class. This will help to keep you accountable to the coursework and your work ethic as well as initiating a support network. Maintain consistent communication with the instructor.



5. COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

5.1. Course Learning Outcomes/Objectives:

- Observational drawing skills
- Expressive drawing skills
- Sighting and measuring
- Visual literacy
- Demonstration of composition
- Thematic development
- Awareness of historical and contemporary art issues
- Introduction to human anatomy
- Confidence with accurate proportions and rendering

5.2. Prerequisites:

Drawing I and Drawing II

6. TEACHING, LEARNING METHODS, AND COURSE STRUCTURE

6.1. Delivery Method:

In person

6.2. Instructional Approach:

Each topic exercise and assignment will be introduced with a lecture and there will be various demonstrations throughout the semester.

6.3. Course Structure:

We will be working with a live model for most of the semester while in class.

Homework assignments each week will focus on the same topics we address in-class during a given week. Group critiques will take place at various times throughout the semester.

8. ASSESSMENT METHODS AND GRADING SCALE

Students will be graded on their effort for outside of class weekly homework assignments and their effort in the classroom each week working with the live model. There are 2000 points for this course. The grade you earn for this course depends on the total number of points you earn throughout the semester. The assessment methods and grading scale are as follows:



Assessment Methods	How Many	Unit Points	Total Unit Points	Percentage
Homework	12	100	1200	60
Final	1	400	400	20
In class work and critique participation	16	25	400	20
Total Points			2000	100%

900 – 1,000 = A (90.00% and above)
 800 – 899.99 = B (80.00%–89.99%)
 700 – 799.99 = C (70.00%–79.99%)
 600 – 699.99 = D (60.00%–69.99%)
 <600.00 = U (below 60.00%)

9. STUDENT ASSISTANCE AND RESOURCES

- 9.1 [FHSU Blackboard Student Tutorials](#)
- 9.2 [Student Accessibility Services](#)
- 9.3 [Health and Wellness Services](#)
- 9.4 [Career Development](#)
- 9.5 [Technology Services](#)
- 9.6 [Tebo Library Research Help and Tutorials](#)
- 9.7 [Academic Tutoring](#)
- 9.8 [Writing Center](#)

10. COURSE POLICIES

10.1. Class Attendance:

Attendance is required for all classes. Excused absences include those with a doctor's note or notification through Student & Wellness Service, a death in the family (reported to the Office of Student Affairs), or participation in an off-campus, officially approved group activity. Students must inform the instructor if absences occur. **More than three absences lower final grade; six absences result in failure.** Arriving on time is mandatory, 3 late arrivals will equal one absence. Because this is a studio class, arriving on time means being set up with all your equipment and being ready to go at the time class starts.

10.2. Class Participation:

Participation in group critiques and discussions is mandatory. Complete all in-class and at-home assignments, even if absent and present them by the



due date.

10.3. Assignment Due Date:

All project deadlines are final. Late submissions will drop one letter grade per class period. Absences do not excuse missed deadlines.

10.4. Procedures for Assignment Submission:

All assignments and feedback will take place in-person on the due date. You do not need to upload photos of your work to Blackboard. If you are sick or cannot make it to class for whatever reason on the day of assignment due date, you may upload the assignment to Blackboard or email me photos of it before the class period begins and it will not be counted late. You will still be counted absent though.

10.5. Other Course Policies:

Each student is responsible to clean up their workspace at the end of class and return the room to normal.

11. UNIVERSITY POLICIES

11.1. [Academic Honesty](#)

11.2. [Attendance](#)

11.3. [Withdrawal](#)

11.4. [Title IX Policy](#)

12. ADDITIONAL ITEMS REQUIRED BY COLLEGE, DEPARTMENT, OR PROGRAM

Your Student Fee will cover the materials we will be using during the semester. You are only responsible for purchasing a personal sketchbook at least 9"x12". I always recommend choosing a sketchbook that feels inviting, that you see yourself investing time and effort in. Touch the paper, consider its binding and other physical qualities. I have always found sketchbooks that I purchased with more thought and care were the ones that I filled most thoroughly and have resulted in being a continued resource for my own work going forward. The first portion of the semester your homework will be in your sketchbook. Additionally, having a sketchbook as part of your daily operation as an artist is of critical importance.