Art (ART) Courses

ART 001 Art and Architecture History: Ancient to Medieval 4 Credits
Survey of art and architecture around the globe, from the world's earliest artistic and architectural production through the 14th century, European, Middle Eastern, African, Asian and Central and South American works are covered. The course also serves as an introduction to the vocabulary, concepts, and methods of art and architectural history.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 002 Art History: Renaissance to Present 4 Credits
Survey of art and architecture from the Renaissance through the contemporary era. Examining developments in painting, sculpture, and the built environment, as well as the rise of media such as printmaking and photography, the course explores the changing form and status of the visual arts in modern culture and society.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 003 Two-Dimensional Design 4 Credits
This class will present the foundations necessary to understand, discuss and create in the two-dimensional visual world. Using variety of materials and techniques and digital media, students will explore the concepts of line, form, shape, value, texture, space and color. Required for all Architecture, Art, Art History and Design majors.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 004 Three-Dimensional Design 4 Credits
An introduction to the basic elements and principles of design. involves use of various materials to solve 3D design problems in studio and computer lab. Problem solving in variety of materials for 3D design including assemblages, models, constructions, and conceptual forms. Required for all majors in department.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 007 (FILM 007) Digital Photography I 4 Credits
Intensive work in photography as fine art using digital input and output. Lectures, demonstrations, critiques.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 011 Drawing I 4 Credits
Concepts and practice of drawing, both traditional and contemporary. Includes drawing from life and an introduction to materials and techniques.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 013 Sculpture I 4 Credits
Projects directed toward developing design in sculpture. Exploration of materials and their application. Emphasis on sculptural form as it relates to techniques.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 015 Figure I 4 Credits
Drawing and modeling in clay from direct observation of the human figure. Fundamental principles of drawing, and two- and three-dimensional design through analysis of the human form. Inclass exercises cover basic scale, proportion, structure, drawing media and techniques, and clay modeling. Emphasis on personal expression, the human figure as vehicle for narrative, abstract or formal drawings or sculpture.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 034 Plein Air Painting 4 Credits
Students will paint outdoors during weekly excursions to local sites. An additional lecture and critique period will present the fundamentals of materials and technique. Summers. No prior experience required.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 035 Painting I 4 Credits
Painting in oil beginning with color mixing and basic layering techniques. Students learn the basic mechanisms for creative expression. Emphasis on understanding the physical nature of the materials. Studio.
Prerequisites: ART 003 or ART 004 or ART 011
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 037 Survey of Printmaking 4 Credits
An introduction to the fundamentals of printmaking. Students will gain an understanding of the technical processes and the visual language of different printmaking techniques. Students examine historical approaches and context while exploring contemporary modes of expression. Students are encouraged to complete a drawing studio before taking this course.
Prerequisites: ART 003
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 052 (FILM 052) Introduction to Video Recording and Editing 4 Credits
We will consider the interaction of image, sequence, motion, time and audio with video to create associative, abstract, documentary and narrative videos. Workshops in camera use, editing, concept development, lighting, sound and DVD authoring.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 068 Color Theory 4 Credits
Application of color in design. Color in graphics, product, digital imaging, and all related fields of design.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 069 Special Topics in Art History 1-4 Credits
Directed projects for students in the history of art or architecture. Consent of instructor required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 073 Introductory Studio Practice 1-4 Credits
An introduction to the methods and techniques of studio art. Designed to acquaint the student with general studio practice, covering topics not covered in other specific studio course listings.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 077 The Laws of Light 3 Credits
In this course students will learn the laws of light and how to apply them to situations inside the studio and out. Course starts by exploring the physics of light through in class demonstrations. Then we will use different light sources and modifiers to experiment with a wide range of lighting scenarios. We will also focus on problem solving on set, as it is vital to understand what must be achieved in camera and what can be added in Photoshop.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 111 Drawing II 4 Credits
Projects in creative drawing designed to build on concepts and practices initiated in basic drawing and life drawing.
Prerequisites: ART 011
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 113 Sculpture II 4 Credits
Development of principles and techniques in Sculpture I. Modeling, casting, fabrication and carving. Emphasizes an approach to sculptural form and an exploration of the evolution of modern sculpture.
Prerequisites: ART 013
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 115 Figure II 4 Credits
Projects in figure modeling and drawing from direct observation of the human figure, designed to build on concepts and practices initiated in Figure I. Students may elect to concentrate in one particular medium, although the primary investigation of form will always incorporate both two and three dimensional work.
Prerequisites: ART 015
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 121 (WGSS 121) Women in Art 4 Credits
A history of women artists from Renaissance to present day, with emphasis on artists of the 20th and 21st century from a global perspective. We explore attitudes toward women artists and their work as well as the changing role of women in art world. There may be required visits to museums and/or artists' studios.
Attribute/Distribution: HU
ART 124 (AAS 124, GS 124) Arts of the Black World 16th-20th Centuries 4 Credits
This course covers artistic practices originating in Africa that subsequently influenced countless world cultures. The material covers artistic production and theory of arts of the enslaved populations in the AnteBellum South, early African American painting through the Harlem Renaissance, the religious arts of Haiti (Vodou) and Cuba (Santería), and contemporary production from Black Brazilian, American and European artists. Students should be prepared to attend Museums/galleries during the semester.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 125 (AAS 125, GS 125) Art and Architecture of Africa from Colonial to Contemporary Times 4 Credits
This course is structured around case studies of art and architecture from early traditions up through the present. The focus is on cultural production, religious art and architecture (local as well as Christian and Muslim traditions), craftsmanship, style, materials, trade, and international exhibition of art objects in Museums. The literature draws from art historical, anthropological, and historical analyses as well as museum studies. Students should be prepared to attend Museums/galleries during the semester.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 126 (ARCH 126, THTR 126) History of Interior Design and Decor 4 Credits
Survey of architectural interiors and décor examining public and domestic spaces and their contents in terms of period and style. Exploration of major art and design movements through the lenses of interior spaces and objects within the context of culture and society.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 131 (MUS 131) Music and the Creative Arts 3 Credits
This course examines collaborations, convergences and cross-influences between musicians, visual artists and other creatives in late 19th-early 20th century Europe and America. Students explore ways artists responded as individuals and collaborators, gain perspective on aesthetic movements including romanticism, realism, impressionism, symbolism, expressionism, futurism, dada, surrealism, and how these movements shaped the development of modernist culture. Students work with materials in the Music Department and LU Art Galleries teaching collection, studying the connections between music and visual works.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 135 Painting II 4 Credits
A sustained exploration of paint media. Students concentrate on developing a body of related images using various media and approaches.
Prerequisites: ART 035
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 152 Experimental Animation and Video 4 Credits
An exploration of time, motion and interactivity in a series of conceptual and technical projects dealing with advanced digital imaging and nonlinear video editing. We will consider the interaction of image, sequence, motion, animation, and audio with video.
Prerequisites: ART 052
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 169 Special Topics in Art History 1-4 Credits
Directed projects for students in the history of art or architecture. Consent of instructor required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 173 Special Topics in Studio Practice 1-4 Credits
Directed projects in art. Permission of instructor required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 174 (ANTH 174, ARCH 174, CLSS 174) Greek Archaeology 4 Credits
Ancient Greek cultures from the neolithic to hellenistic periods. Reconstructions of Greek social dynamics from study of artifacts.
Attribute/Distribution: SS

ART 175 Introduction to Museums and Museum Professions 4 Credits
Museums preserve and interpret cultural and natural heritage for the benefit of the public, but are also complex networks of professionals whose common goal is to create knowledge, share information, and connect with their communities. Students will gain an understanding of museum origins and histories, followed by an introduction to the wide range of museum professions such as curatorial, education, collections management, conservation, exhibition design, and administration. Recommended (but not required) as the introductory course for the Museum Studies minor.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 176 (ANTH 176, ARCH 176, CLSS 176) Roman Archaeology 4 Credits
Cultures of the Roman Empire. Reconstructions of social, political, and economic dynamics of the imperial system from study of artifacts.
Attribute/Distribution: SS

ART 183 (GS 183, HIST 183) France from Medieval to Modern: Soc., Pol. & Art 3 Credits
France's artistic, cultural, social, artistic and political development from early kingship and dominance of the Church in the Middle Ages to the grandeur of Versailles in the Age of Absolutism; radical transformations of culture and society during the French Revolution and advent of the Modern Nation-State; to twentieth century developments including the two World Wars, imperialism and impact of post-war globalization. Offered in summer only through Lehigh Study Abroad Office as part of Lehigh in Paris program.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 213 Sculpture Workshop 4 Credits
An advanced studio emphasizing sculpture within a contemporary context. Through the exploration of various concepts, material processes and rigorous critique, the student works toward developing their own unique vision and practice.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Prerequisites: ART 013 and (DES 004 or ART 004)
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 215 Figure III 4 Credits
Further exploration of the human figure as the subject of art. More advanced students may elect to concentrate in either two or three dimensional representations in any media. The emphasis will be on personal interpretation and independent work with the instructor.
Prerequisites: ART 115
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 217 Studio Workshop 4 Credits
Studio Workshop is available to any student who has completed a first level discipline specific art studio such as Drawing I, Figure I, Painting I, Digital Photography I or Sculpture I and is designed for intermediate to advanced work in a specified medium. Course may be repeated.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Prerequisites: ART 011 or ART 007 or ART 013 or ART 015 or ART 035 or ART 052
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 220 Modern Art of the 20th Century 4 Credits
What was modern art, and how do we make sense of it? Modern artists revolutionized the art world of the 20th century, exploding its boundaries and conventions in ways that still challenge us today. This course explores modern art's origins and development. It offers a closer look at the leading artists, works, and debates of the period, and an introduction to the methods we use to understand and interpret them. Includes museum visits.
Attribute/Distribution: HU
ART 221 (AAS 221, GS 221) Global Contemporary Art 4 Credits
Topics include revolutionary arts, globalization, EcoArt, postcolonial arts, phenomenological, experiential and new media arts. Global feminist projects, design/build production, graffiti and popular arts are covered regularly. International Art Biennials, exhibitions and the built environment are featured. Art Theory is explored through iconographic, formal and contextual (political, social, financial) analysis. Movements are situated in historical frameworks as well as in their international scope and value. Course enrollment restricted to Junior or Senior standing students.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 222 Seminar in Art History 4 Credits
In this seminar students undertake sustained and focused study of select themes and topics from the history of art. Particular attention is devoted to learning the methods, theories, and research practices that art historians use to interpret and understand art. Seminar topics change annually.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Prerequisites: ART 002 or ART 001
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 223 Writing Your Way Into the Arts 2,3 Credits
A seminar course designed to build proficiency in the writing of personal statements, application materials, and portfolio narratives for students who are considering careers, internships, and graduate studies in the visual, performing, and creative arts or related fields. Specifically useful for juniors and seniors preparing for future opportunities after graduation. Writing intensive.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 227 (LAS 227) Latino Visual Arts and Culture in American Art 4 Credits
Because art has no country, but the artist does, is contemporary art a product of globalzation? Is Latino and Latin American art, culture and art criticism a nationalistic platform of cultures. Who's who in the current Latino and Latin American art world? Students will utilize works from the university (LUAG) collection and/or research and interview a contemporary artist at his or her studio (if possible) for essays or media projects.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 228 (LAS 228) Photography as Contemporary Art 4 Credits
A history of photography in an in-situ class, at the LUAG Teaching Collection Visual Laboratories and Integrated Open Storage classroom. The course will explore the power of photographs as a dominant 21st Century universal visual art form, emphasizing Latino and Latin American photography. The students will progressively work their way through today’s explosive array of digital, one channel video, photobase and conceptual discourses of our remix culture through evolutionary image-making of the 20th and 19th Century, and the uses of photographic processes that have enriched our perceptions and our world. Readings, group discussions and individual research. The course will conclude with a final project/paper: a one figure or theme paper and a small group/team project (to be determined later). This will constitute the transformative approach to study the state of photography today.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 229 Special Topics in Art History 1-4 Credits
ART 229. Special Topics in Art History (1-4) Directed projects for advanced students in the history of art or architecture. Consent of instructor required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 273 Special Topics in Studio Practice 1-4 Credits
Individually directed projects for advanced students capable of undertaking independent creative work in studio art. Consent of instructor required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 275 Museum Collections and Exhibitions 4 Credits
Museums often consider their collections as “core” to their work, and even their reason for existence. But how do museums move beyond simply being “object warehouses” and activate their collections to create public value? This course analyzes how museums care for, manage, and present their collections to the public through a range of formats, including exhibitions. Students will engage in hands-on learning and will contribute to a project at the Lehigh University Art Galleries (LUAG).
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 276 Museum Education and Interpretation 4 Credits
Museum collections can remain remarkably silent unless they are activated by skilled professionals charged with facilitating connections between objects and people. In this course, students investigate the critical role of museum educators, from gallery teaching to program development. Students will also explore other interpretive areas of museum work, from exhibition texts and labels to digital media and audio guides. Student will have the opportunity to teach objects for the public at the Lehigh University Art Galleries (LUAG).
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 277 (FILM 277) Digital Photography II 4 Credits
An opportunity to produce a unified body of work and to explore digital photography on a deeper level with an emphasis on conceptually driven images. Experimental process encouraged.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Prerequisites: ART 007 or FILM 007
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 300 Apprentice Teaching 1-4 Credits
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.

ART 317 Departmental Capstone 4 Credits
Departmental Capstone is offered to seniors and qualified juniors and is taught collectively by the departmental faculty. Students focus on understanding and articulating their own interests and vision through research, written work, creation of new works of art, and critique. Instructor permission required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 350 Special Topics in Graphic Design and Theory Seminar 1-4 Credits
Current topics in graphic communication theory and practice. will cover preparation, production, and formulation of individual portfolio. Selected readings and discussions in professional ethics as well as legal issues in the field will be covered.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Prerequisites: ART 253 or DES 253
Attribute/Distribution: ND

ART 356 Advanced Seminar in Art History 4 Credits
In this upper level seminar, students undertake advanced study of select themes and topics from the history of art. Special emphasis is accorded to the practical application of art historical methods, theories, and research practices. Students pursue advanced research projects related to the seminar topic, which changes annually.
Prerequisites: ART 001 and ART 002 and ART 220
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 370 Special Topics in Museum Studies 1-4 Credits
Special topics related to museum studies. Directed projects in museum and exhibition related fields. Consent of instructor required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: HU

ART 373 Studio Art Internship 1-4 Credits
Practical infiel experience in an artist's studio or art-related apprenticeship opportunity. Requires approval a semester in advance by instructor and host organization.
Attribute/Distribution: ND
ART 375 Museum Internship 1-4 Credits
Internship under professional supervision in all areas of museums and/or related organizations, regionally, nationally or abroad in well established or accredited institutions. Students must initiate contact/application. A contractual agreement or letter of acceptance is required. Consent of department required.
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.
Attribute/Distribution: ND

ART 389 Honors Project 1-8 Credits
Repeat Status: Course may be repeated.