

Contemporary artistic movements

Academic Year: (2022 / 2023)

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Department assigned to the subject: Department of Humanities: Geography, Contemporary History and Art

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Type: Electives ECTS Credits : 3.0

Year : Semester :

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

None.

OBJECTIVES

The students will learn how to:

- Analyze an artistic image in its constituent elements and in the frame of the art movement(s) it belongs to.
- Study a given work of art in relationship to its historical context, and understand the evolution of art and the art world in the 20th century in its major features.
- Understand the cultural and symbolic values of an art piece.
- Evaluate and comprehend primary sources and art history texts, in order to be able to understand the nature of artistic activities and their social, political and economic implications.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

The course analyzes Contemporary Art and Architecture from its origins to our days. For this, they focus on several key moments, true inflection points of contemporary art that correspond to the ways of interpretation of it.

1. Color as a tool for painting transformation. Impressionism and the origins of modern art. Postimpressionism, Pointillism, Neoimpressionism. Fauvism
2. The analytical view: Cubism and the transformation of art from the volume of things. Futurism
3. The Modern Movement in Architecture. Functionalism, Rationalism, International Style. The Constructivism.
4. The spiritual view: Kandinsky, Malevich, Mondrian and abstraction.
5. The subjective view: expressionism and surrealism.
6. The Organic Architecture. From the Houses of the Prairie to the Guggenheim of NY.
7. The intellectual view: Duchamp, from Dadaism to conceptual art.
8. The Cabin of Heidegger and Luis Isadore Kahn.
9. The ironic view: Warhol and pop art.
10. The artist as a work of art or the arts of action. Art and social commitment.
11. Architecture of deconstruction and recycling.
12. Video Art and Net - Art.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

The grade will be based on the continuous evaluation plus the exam, with the following percentages:

- 10% attendance and participation in class
- 40% individual work
- 50% final exam

Unjustified absences from class prevent the continuous assessment from being applied.

In order for the practices to be average with the exam, the latter must be passed with five (5) points or more (out of a total of 10). If the exam is not passed, no average is made with the practices.

% end-of-term-examination:	50
% of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...):	50

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