J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number:  ART 101  Credits:  3

Course Title:  History and Appreciation of ART I

Course Description:  Presents the history and interpretation of architecture, sculpture, and painting. Begins with prehistoric art and follows the development of western civilization to the present. Prerequisites: English placement recommendation for ENG 111 and satisfactory completion of ENG 4 if required by reading placement test. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
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Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a.  Distinguish periods and recognize the various styles from each other;
b.  Master the basic vocabulary of art history;
c.  Visually analyze works of art;
d.  Identify the techniques and media in a work; and
e.  Formulate and express thoughtful personal analyses of art works.

Major Topics to Be Included:
a.  Prehistoric art
b.  Egyptian art
c.  Ancient Near Eastern art
d.  Aegean art
e.  Greek art
f.  Etruscan art
g.  Roman art
h.  Early Christian art
i.  Islamic Art
j.  Early Medieval art
k.  Romanesque art
l.  Gothic art

Effective Date of Course Content Summary:  Spring, 2009