J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number:  ART 106  
Credits: 3

Course Title:  History of Modern Art

Course Description: Surveys the history of modern architecture, sculpture, painting, and graphic arts in representational and non-representational forms. Focuses on the periods and movements that influenced the arts of the Twentieth Century. Emphasizes contemporary art forms, particularly the interaction between art and society, industry, and design. Prerequisite: Placement in English 111 or placement in Co-requisites EGL 111 and ENF 3. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: This course will satisfy a Humanities/Fine Arts elective, and will also serve to inform anyone wanting to know more about the history of modern art.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
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Student Learning Outcomes:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a. Recognize the different styles and identify specific works and the name of the artist;
b. Understand the underlying philosophy for the various movements in the modern period and identify those qualities in an art work;
c. Formulate and express their own thoughtful opinion of art works; and
d. Recognize the techniques and media used in a work.

Major Topics to Be Included:
a. Neoclassicism and Romanticism
b. Realism and Impressionism
c. Post-Impressionism, Symbolism, and Art Nouveau
d. Twentieth Century Painting
e. Twentieth Century Sculpture
f. Twentieth Century Photography
g. Post-Modernism

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