

Course Description #645400A and 645500B

This study of the visual designs in our environment focuses on cultural influences and social significance. Architecture, crafts, decorative arts, environmental design, communication arts, design in commerce and industry, as well as fine arts, are analyzed and discussed. Drawings, paintings, sculptures and prints are studied for the way they reflect the personal, social, or cultural concerns and interests of people in various countries and time periods. Basic art skills are used. Studio projects and textbook assignments are assigned.

Grading Policy:- this is an estimate of how your grade will be determined:

50% - Summative Assignments (Major Art Projects)

- completed project on time
- met project objectives
- craftsmanship (how carefully & neatly you handled project)
- written work included with a project
- Studio management (how you treated the materials & studio space)

40% - Formative Assignments (Preparatory work)

- sketch assignments
- reading assignments
- handouts
- warm-up activities
- critiques
- quizzes

10% - Homework for practice

"In compliance with the MCPS policy on reteaching and relearning, students may have the opportunity to resubmit a minor project one time after private consultation with the teacher and reteaching/relearning the skills necessary to successfully obtain the objective of the assigned project. This does NOT apply to the final project for each quarter."

- Work submitted on the due date can be reassessed one time. The most recent grade will be kept.
- Work that is submitted late (after the due date, but before the deadline date) will be worth 10% less and cannot be submitted to be reassessed.
- Work submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. You will receive a zero.
- Final projects and exams may not be re-taught or reassessed.
- The last assignment of the quarter cannot be re-taught or reassessed.
- Binders and the last assignment of the quarter cannot be reassessed.
- In order to receive a minimum grade of 50%, students must turn in the assignment by the deadline date. (See MCPS grading policy)

What I expect from you and what you should expect from each other:

- come to class on time
- clean-up and take care of your own materials (aprons are optional, some are available)
- come prepared – with your ID, plan book, pencil & materials, and a good attitude
- no food, no drink, no candy
- RESPECT yourself, the materials & tools, your teacher, and the artwork
- Remember you are a student at MBHS and will be expected to comply with all school policies as described in your MBHS Planbook.

Due to the extreme budget cuts in MCPS, we must assess a student fee each semester of \$5. This required course fee will cover the components of all take home projects. Please make your check payable to MBHS and submit to the teacher by September 11, 2015

I have read the classroom rules and school policy. I agree to abide by them. Date _____

Student Printed Name _____ Phone _____

Student Signature _____ email _____

Parent Signature _____ email _____

Daytime Phone _____ (cell) _____