

**Nashville State Community College  
(School of Arts & Humanities)  
(Studio Art)**

**Master Course Syllabus  
2023 Fall Term – Full 15-Week Term**

**(ART-1045, Drawing I)**

Instructors, please use this template to add and enhance the information for your course and course policies. Please do not delete the headings but instead address your own policies. You can add more headings and information if needed. **Please maintain accessibility standards and delete or change the font color of the RED text before adding the syllabus to your course.**

The purpose of the syllabus is to inform you how this course is organized, what the expectations are, and how you will be graded. In addition, there is important information about how the college will operate during severe weather and how the college will communicate with you. The syllabus is not a contract. Instead, it is meant to help you succeed in this course. If any of the content changes during the course term, you will be notified.

**Course information:**

Course Title: ART 1045, Drawing I

Credits 3

Class Hours 6

**Course Description:**

To render subject matter, accurately, one must first truly understand the reality of what they are seeing; opposed to the schema that has developed in the mind. This studio art course introduces students to the fundamental techniques and materials of drawing while developing a formal artistic vocabulary. Drawings are made on a variety of surfaces using an array of materials. Observational drawing of landscapes and still-lives are the focus of this class. Non-objective drawing is also introduced.

**Instructor Information:**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Office Phone:**

**Office Location:**

**Office Hours:**

**Instructor Zoom Room link:**

## **Class Session Zoom Link Information (if virtual):**

### **Course Delivery Method**

- **On-Campus:** Course meets at a designated Nashville State Campus on (update to the days, times, and room numbers for your section)

### **Required Textbook(s) & Other Materials:**

**Textbook(s):** N/A

**ISBN:** N/A

**Supplies:** Supplies will need to be purchased at a cost of approx. \$150. All materials for class can be purchased in the bookstore, as a kit.

Once registered for your courses, go to the website [Nashville State Community College Bookstore Apparel, Merchandise, & Gifts \(bkstr.com/nsccestore/home\)](https://bkstr.com/nsccestore/home) by using you're A# or enter your course information for the most updated course materials and textbooks prior to the start of the semester. If you have issues accessing your materials/books please go here [Bookstore | Nashville State Community College \(nsccestore.com\)](https://nsccestore.nsccestore.com) for further guidance.

If you are a student registered with the Access Center and need an alternate format due to disability, please review the ADA Compliance statement below or contact your Access Center Coordinator at 615-353-3363 or [AccessCenter@nsccestore.com](mailto:AccessCenter@nsccestore.com).

**Honors Option:** Honors credit is available in some classes. If you are interested in participating in the Honors Program, please see your instructor within the first four weeks of class.

**Course Outcomes:** At the end of the term, this is what you should know and/or be able to do:

Students completing Drawing I will have a basic understanding of the tools, materials, and processes of Drawing. They will be equipped to apply their skills to a variety of applications. The utilization of drawing skills will advance their ability to conceptualize and express visual ideas. The critique process will develop critical thinking skills by encouraging students to analyze and evaluate each other's work. Developing critical thinking skills and enhancing creative problem solving will lead to a greater understanding of spatial issues.

### **Course Competencies:**

The following are detailed course competencies, or specific skills or knowledge, intended to help you achieve the course outcomes:

- Learn the vocabulary and grammar of drawing.
- Learn a variety of drawing techniques with an array of materials.
- Learn how to render subject matter, from observation, realistically.
- Examine the difference between looking and observation.
- Utilize perspective to create the illusion of space.
- Critically analyze and evaluate artwork, in a group setting.

The following are general education competencies intended to support the course outcomes:

- Create clear, well-organized compositions.
- Prepare and deliver well-organized oral presentations.
- Apply visual concepts to problems and situations.
- Use critical thinking skills.
- Apply scientific thought processes to a range of situations.

## Topics to Be Covered:

- Overview, Introductions, Drawing Exercises
  - Line through gesture
  - Line through contour
  - Perspective
  - Value
  - Charcoal Rendering
  - Pen & Ink
  - Final Project
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- Course Assessments: We will use the following assessments to demonstrate your understanding, knowledge, and skills:
    - Group Critiques of Homework Drawings
    - Individual critiques of In-class Drawing
    - Work in the Sketchbook will occur throughout the semester, plan on completing about 3 entries per week. Your sketchbook will be turned in once in the middle of the semester and is due at the end. **Your sketchbook is 25% of your grade.**
      - Fill your sketchbook with whatever you like. It is important to maintain a sketchbook or the rest of your life.

## Grading Policy:

Your grade will reflect the time, effort, and the consideration you put into your work. All drawings will be assessed individually. Keep every drawing, as they will be assessed at the end of the semester for your final grade. You must show work at each critique, even if it is incomplete. If you do not have proper materials, it may affect your grade.

- Effort/Performance – 25%
- Knowledge of Parameters - 25%
- Craft in Execution – 25%
- Critique Participation – 25%

## Grading Scale:

Letter Grade	Percentage Range
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	<60

## FA

If you stop attending class or if you are in an online class and stop submitting assignments, but do not turn in a withdrawal form by the deadline, you are still enrolled in class. You will be given a grade of FA,

which means you have failed due to not attending class and not completing your assignments. Please refer to the current academic calendar available on the Nashville State web site, looking for the date that indicates it is the “Last Day to Earn F for Attendance (FA).” If you stop attending your course after this date, you will receive an F.

## **FN**

An FN is awarded if you have never attended your course or done any of the work in an online course.

## **Late Work Policy & Make-up Procedures for Missed Assignments and Work:**

*(Each instructor will provide their own policy)*

### **Attendance Policy**

#### **General Policy**

*(Revise this general policy to the delivery type of the course, online courses would not have absences or tardiness but provide some common sense expectations for student participation and engagement in meeting deadlines)*

- *Absences in a course may affect your final grade.*
- *Tardiness may also affect your final grade.*
- *You are responsible for all work/tests that occur during any missed course session(s) regardless of reason(s) for absence.*
- *If you are not well enough to attend a course session (class), you must notify the instructor as soon as possible before the scheduled course time.*
  - *If you are unable to notify an instructor before the scheduled course time, you must contact the instructor as soon as reasonably possible.*
- *If you have an unavoidable conflict with a scheduled course session, you must notify the instructor before the course session.*
  - *If you are unable to notify an instructor before the scheduled course time, you must contact the instructor as soon as reasonably possible.*

### **Instructor’s Policy**

The attendance policy for this course is: *(add instructor’s attendance policy)*

**For financial aid purposes, attendance** is measured by participation in the course. Instructors can determine your level of participation in several ways. Some of those ways are:

- continued attendance
- participation in on-ground or virtual class sessions
- participating in D2L as prompted
- responding to an instructor’s email
- posting to a discussion board
- completing and submitting assignments

## Technology Statement

- All classes at the College are web enhanced. “Web enhanced” means that components of the course, such as assignments and online discussions, may be located online in the class D2L/NS Online course shell and used in the course, even if the course meets in a classroom on ground.
- You must have access to a computer and an internet connection to complete assignments, engage in online discussions, and access various course materials through D2L/NS Online course shells.
- You may also be required to use free video conferencing platforms (examples: Zoom, Teams, etc.) for course sessions and meetings.
- You will be responsible for appropriate dress while on video. This means that you are expected to dress as if you were in a classroom.
- You will be responsible for a distraction free environment while on video. This means that the professor and others in the course should not be able to hear noise in your home, such as cell phones, TVs, or barking dogs. The best way to do this is to keep yourself on “mute” until you need to speak.
- You will be responsible for making sure your background is neutral. Keep in mind that students and professors come from all around the world, and you are all a part of our community. Therefore, please avoid having images in your background that may be offensive to your classmates.
- Certain publisher materials, such as textbook figures, may not work on cellphones and may require a laptop or a tablet.
- If you have questions or concerns regarding access to a computer or internet resources, please contact your instructor. Additional information is available on the [access to internet and technology website](#).

## Computer Labs

Computers are available for all Nashville State students to use at each campus during open hours. Open computer lab availability may vary from campus to campus.

You should check the NSCC website for current hours of operation.

## D2L/NS Online and myNSCC

It is your responsibility to check your email in **both** D2L/NS Online course shells and your @my.nsc.edu (student email) on a regular basis. These are the official communication channels between the college and you. You are responsible for the information communicated through these email channels. D2L/NS Online emails contain specific course information and @my.nsc.edu emails contain important information from college offices, such as Financial Aid.

[Go to myNSCC](#)

[Go to D2L/NS Online](#)

## ADA Compliance Statement

If you need accommodations due to a disability, please do not hesitate to reach out to our Access Center. Disabilities for which you can receive accommodations include documented physical, emotional, and/or learning conditions. Nashville State is committed to supporting your success, and we encourage

you to get assistance if needed. If you require accommodations for any courses in which you are enrolled, contact the Access Center at 615-353-3363, or e-mail [accesscenter@nsc.edu](mailto:accesscenter@nsc.edu).

### **Classroom Misconduct**

Disruptive conduct is not allowed in the classroom. Disruptive conduct is any behavior that prevents students from learning and interferes with the ability of the instructor to teach. This may change from course to course; therefore, your individual instructors will give you guidance on what qualifies as “disruptive conduct” in their courses. Please review the [Nashville State Student Code of Conduct policy](#). Please be aware that children are not allowed in class or to be left unattended on campus.

### **Academic Misconduct**

You have started this academic journey to prepare for a future career. Because of this, it is important that you learn the materials being presented in your courses. For this reason, cheating, in any form, robs you of your opportunity to learn and master the material that will enable you to succeed in that future career. Nashville State has a clear [Academic Misconduct Policy](#) that you are expected to follow. In addition, your instructors will clarify what Academic Misconduct looks like and the consequences for violations in each course that you take. The instructor has the authority to assign an “F” or a “zero” for such violations or for the term grade.

*(Each instructor will outline his/her expectations for academic integrity and provide individualized information about consequences for academic misconduct.)*

### **Academic Early Alert System**

If you are not doing well in your course, your instructor may send you an Early Alert through your @my.nsc.edu email. This email will go to your academic advisor and Student Success advisor, as well. If you get an Early Alert, contact your instructor immediately. Instructors send these when they want to help you figure out how to get extra support to pass the course. An Early Alert does not mean that you have already failed the course. Rather, it means you are in danger of failing the course if you do not change your learning strategy. Please use an Early Alert to your advantage and as an opportunity to improve your grade.

### **RAVE Emergency Alert System**

You can log in to this free alert system to receive text messages about emergencies related to NSCC campuses through the [RAVE app \(https://www.getrave.com/login/nsc\)](#). The instructions for this are listed below.

- Your RAVE Username is your NSCC email address.
- If you've never received an email from RAVE with your password, or if you need to reset your password, select “Forgot your password?” and a new password will be emailed to you.
- Should the RAVE system indicate “user not found”, select Register and create your own RAVE account.

### **Student Wellness**

Your well-being is important to us. With this in mind, the college has several resources available to provide support when needed:

- [Free tutoring](#) can assist you beyond the classroom to help you make the most of your college education.
- [These resources](#) include NSCC email, scheduling, online courses, textbooks, tech check out and support, computer labs on campuses, academic advising, financial advising, COVID-19 information and procedures on campuses.
- [Services](#) that help with bus passes, food, childcare, textbooks, housing, financial counseling, personal counseling, suicide prevention, health insurance.

### **Equity Statement**

Nashville State Community College strives to ensure that each student receives what that student needs to be successful, with goals of success beyond the classroom. We understand and practice ideals of equity and inclusion for our students by embracing a full spectrum of experiences, viewpoints, and intellectual approaches in order to overcome barriers to success.

### **Inclement Weather & Campus Closings**

You get notices about campus closings in these places: text messages from RAVE and [the Nashville State website](#).

Even when campuses are closed, you are still responsible for completing all assigned work. Check D2L/NS Online for a message from your instructor so you do not miss important assignments and due dates, which may change due to the campus closure.

### **Class Cancellation Policy**

Our instructors post messages about cancelling classes in the [D2L/NS Online](#) course shells and/or on the classroom door on campus. These messages can be found in the News and Content section or the Email tab in the online shell. Please check these to be sure that you take advantage of opportunities for learning and points toward your grade.