



AP Art History

Course Details

Course Code: 357100AW

Subject: Fine Arts

Required Prerequisites: Success with Honors level courses in Language Arts or Social Studies

Suggested Prerequisites: None

Recommended Grade Levels: 9th through 12th

Duration: Yearlong

Course Availability: A listing of when this course is offered in the current school year can be found on the [VirtualSC Current Course Offerings page](#) (opens in a new window).

Class Times: There are no scheduled class meetings for this course. However, there will be optional help sessions scheduled by the instructor throughout the semester. Instead, students are expected to work on their own to meet the deadlines posted in the course pacing guide. Students should expect to spend 7-9 hours a week working on this course.

Textbook: Gardner's Art through the Ages: A Global History 15th Edition (MindTap)

Required Course Materials: None

Outside Websites: A list of links to websites and online textbooks used in this course can be found here: [VSC Course Links Document Folder \(opens in a new window\)](#). Students will need to be able to access all of these links to access all course materials.

Final Exam: Students in this course take a VirtualSC final exam **AND** an Advanced Placement (AP) exam. Details on scheduling and taking final exams can be found on the [Final Exam Page](#) (opens in a new window) of the VirtualSC webpage.

Course Description

AP Art History is designed to introduce students to a survey level knowledge of the history of art from Ancient times to the 20th Century within the European Tradition.

Emphasis will be placed on developing a strong ability to discuss in writing historical, social, and aesthetic issues that shape and inform the work of artists in the western tradition and beyond. The course also includes selected artwork of the Africa, China, India, Japan and the Near East. Student complete this course with a basic understanding of the artistic expression of world religious traditions and cultural contexts including Judaism, Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and the belief systems of west African tribal cultures.

The course fully prepares students to excel on the Advanced Placement Art History Exam in May.

The curriculum used in this course meets the guidelines of the College Board.

Scope and Sequence

The scope and sequence used in this course is found in the [College Board Approved AP Art History Syllabus \(opens in a new window\)](#).

Students will be sent a full list of assignments and their due dates at the beginning of the course.

Current pacing guides for this course can be found on the [Current Course Offerings page \(opens in a new window\)](#) on the VirtualSC website.

Course Grades

The final grade in this course results from the following:

- Coursework: 80%
- Final Exam: 20%

VirtualSC Details

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