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COURSES

First-Year Experience Seminar
UGST 109

1 credit

Understanding Contemporary Art

ART 101

Core Education Arts & Letters (>1)

4 credits

CALENDAR

First FIG Meeting

You will get to meet your FIG classmates, FIG Assistant (FA), and Faculty before classes start!

Check your FIG page in September
to find out more details.

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ABOUT THIS FIG

First-Year Experience Seminar

A good question for an artist to ask is “what troubles you most in society?” Let’s explore what roles art can play. Contemporary artists have many different tools to tackle the current issues. How are they using their visual languages to communicate and address their concerns? We’ll examine the ways that art creates ties among the artists themselves, with viewers, local communities and to the world; we’ll take a deep dive into the content introduced in ART101. We’ll play various art-centric games, ask difficult questions, and host discussions, so we can really get to know one another. During this FIG, we’ll also visit the Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art on campus and the Design Library within the College of Design to learn how to effectively use these resources. The ties created in this FIG will last forever!

Understanding Contemporary Art

Examines contemporary developments in specific media of visual art. Each year groups of three faculty from three different areas team-teach the class. Explore the materials & processes used today in each field & cross-disciplinary elements. Learn how to interpret & evaluate contemporary artwork using a critical framework. Students will examine artwork through in-class presentations, magazines, journals, the web, and attending art shows and visiting artist lectures on campus and around Eugene.

NEXT STEPS

After you're registered for your FIG, you will want to check out the Meet Your FIG page (<https://fyp.uoregon.edu/fall-2021-figs>). This page will have everything you need to know before the beginning of fall term, including how to email your FIG Assistant, your summer assignment, and when you will be meeting your FIG for the first time in September. In order to prepare for your coursework and be notified about important academic deadlines you will want to download the "Canvas" and "Navigate" apps to your devices. Also, be sure to visit the FYE Community page in September, which has all the resources you'll need to achieve success in your first-year (<https://fyp.uoregon.edu/community>). If you have questions about anything, make sure you email your FIG Assistant – they are here to help!



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