**ART 288 SYLLABUS**

**DEPARTMENT OF ART**

**College of Arts and Sciences**

**Pittsburg State University**

**Fall 2018**

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*Please take note of the following information as well as the regulations. They have been established for prior versions of the course and remain in effect.*

**This Course Serves as Part of the Pitt State Pathway**

**Pitt State Pathway Mission Statement**

The *Pitt State Pathway* curriculum serves as the heart of a university education by fostering interdisciplinary competencies that typify the educated person. It is designed to facilitate the development of key proficiencies including communication and information literacy. The Pitt State Pathway curriculum provides a transformational experience that challenges students to think creatively and critically, and to immerse themselves in the productive examination of humans in their global setting. By encouraging the development of skills that promote life-long learning, *Pitt State Pathway* fosters a sense of personal responsibility, an appreciation of diversity, and an understanding of interconnectedness in our truly global society.

**Elements of the Pitt State Pathway to be Covered in this Course:**

**Human Experience within a Global Context:**

**Learning Outcome:** Students will explore global systems conscientiously*.*

**Understanding the diverse nature, meanings, or functions of creative endeavors through the study of literature, music, theater, visual arts, or related forms of expression helps us understand ourselves.** Competency in this element means:

* *Applying* cultural concepts and/or methodologies in the analysis of literary, performing, visual, or other art forms;
* *Analyzing* how literature, performance, the visual arts, or other creative endeavors respond to and influence society and culture;
* *Analyzing* creative endeavors in a contextual framework, such as critical theory, aesthetics, philosophy of art, or rhetoric;
* *Demonstrating* concepts that characterize a polycentric view of the world in contrast to an ethnocentric perspective.

This course also addresses

**the Companion Element: Non-verbal and Creative Expression**.

**Learning Outcome:** *Students will communicate effectively.*

Competently utilizes and demonstrates human response not expressed in words. These responses may or may not complement written and verbal information.

**Competency in this element means:**

• Interpreting and delivering nonverbal communication as it applies to specific contexts such as art, music, illustrations, theater, dance, digital media, or other forms of context not identified above, as appropriate.

• Demonstrating effective and appropriate delivery/presentation including, but not limited to, facial expression, eye contact, body movement, and vocal variety;

• Demonstrating professionalism;

**I. Course Description:**

The history of world art from Paleolithic times through the late Gothic. Contributions of various cultures to world civilization. Emphasis on social context and parallels between visual arts, music, literature, and the history of ideas. Writing to learn. Fall only.

**II. Purposes:**

The primary goal of this course is to enable students to understand art history within a chronological format through the study of art objects, primary/secondary sources and visual aids. Emphasis will be placed on social, political and historical contexts of the production of art objects within a multi-cultural and inter-disciplinary approach.

**III. Course Learning Objectives: \***

Upon completion of the course the student will be able to:

A. Describe, explain and discuss ways the visual arts function within various societies across time and place.

B. Explain ways economic, social, political, historical, and cultural actions and values relate to art history occurrences.

C. Discuss and/or illustrate ways various cultures have contributed to world art achievements and forms.

D. Point out and explain ways design components and concepts function in art objects across times and cultures.

E. Describe, explain and/or illustrate features that distinguish various styles by major periods, cultural traditions, and artistic qualities (e.g. elements and principles of design, media, form and content, subject and technique).

F. Discuss various styles by major periods, cultural traditions, and artistic qualities, relating them to contemporaneous or associated achievements such as literature and music.

G. Describe, discuss and utilize various aesthetic theories and criticism criteria for judging art.

H. Freely and creatively interpret historical and contemporary art in oral, written, and visual forms.

I. Research and present art history lessons to peers.

**VII. Methods of Assessment/Evaluation:**

* 1. **Human Experience within a Global Context**: Students’ developing knowledge in this area will be assessed by way of three essay exams and three sets of online discussions as well as in-class and outside-of-class writing practices (recorded in a notebook) and a research paper (including a one-page paper topic, three-page paper proposal, and a five-page final paper). Students will also accomplish relevant criteria of Benchmark (“Recognizes that various art forms respond to and influence society and culture.”).
	2. **Non-Verbal and Creative Expression:** Students’ developing knowledge in this area will be assessed by way of three essay exams and three sets of online discussions as well as in-class and outside-of-class writing practices (recorded in a notebook) and a research paper (including a one-page paper topic, three-page paper proposal, and a five-page final paper). Students will also accomplish relevant criteria of Benchmark (“Defines the characteristics of effective non-verbal and/or creative expression”).
	3. **Course Learning Outcomes**: Quality of knowledge and understanding of concepts will be accessed by taking three essay exams and three sets of online discussions as well as in-class and outside-of-class writing practices (recorded in a notebook) and a research paper (including a one-page paper topic, three-page paper proposal, and a five-page final paper). Students will be assessed with outcome criteria posted within Canvas Rubrics specific to each assignment.

1. **Notebook:** Purchase a spiral-bound, 8 X 10 notebook and bring it to class every day. You will have 5 minutes at the end of selected class periods to record your impressions of the class and to respond to a question from that day’s lecture or discussion. In addition, you will use your notebook outside of class. Every week, you are required to analyze three images selected from your textbook by Marilyn Stokstad and Michael W. Cothren. Notebooks will be collected at various, unannounced times during the semester, so keep them current.
2. **Research Paper (5 pages)**: You can select any artist discussed in the assigned readings or in the lectures whose career fits **within the chronological and geographical parameters of this class** and write about any idea that interests you in that person’s work. You must confine yourself to a single work or a cohesive group of works or a sharply focused theme and write about the works and their meaning; do not write a biography of the artist except as it pertains to a point that you want to make about the meaning of the work.

I expect you to turn in your paper topic **(1 page)** on **Wednesday, 10/3,** and your paper proposal **(3 pages)** on **Monday, 10/22**. Your proposal should include a thesis statement, a short outline of the paper, and a concise annotated bibliography. The annotated bibliography should include at least two books and two articles published in art history periodicals or scholarly journals. Please do not include the course textbook in your bibliography. Your research paper **(5 pages)** is due on **Monday, 11/26.** Your final paper shouldcontain Xerox copies or print-outs of illustrations that you talk about in detail.

 **Note** that a good piece of writing requires a complete organization that is structured

 around a central idea. Begin your paper with an introduction and a thesis statement (tell

 your reader what you are going to say and do) and organize your arguments logically and

 coherently. Please find the grading criteria for the research paper at the end of this syllabus.

**Documentation:** It is essential to document your sources.Documentation should be according to the system of the ***Chicago Manual of Style*.** You are required to use footnotes to document your sources. Below are examples of the proper form for a footnote:

1. Douglas Crimp, “Pictures,” in *Art After Modernism* (N.Y.: The New Museum of Contemporary Art, 1992), 175-187.

 2. Peter Halley, “Nature and Culture,” *Arts 58*, no. 1 (September 1983): 64-65.

\*\*For more details, please see Sylvan Barnet, “Footnotes and Endnotes (Chicago Manual of Style) in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 334-341.

**Academic Honesty and Integrity Policy:** **Please see ARTICLE 30. ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT on page 10 of this syllabus or at** **the PSU website:**

<http://www.pittstate.edu/audiences/current-students/policies/rights-and-responsibilities/academic-misconduct.dot>

\*\*\*All assignments must be turned in on time. Extensions will be granted only in exceptional circumstances and require advance approval of the instructor. Late papers will be marked down. "Note: In order to pass this course, students must turn in all writing assignments and receive a passing grade on each."

\*\*\*On page 10 of the course syllabus, please find **the Assessment Rubric** for all writing assignments.

**An Explanation of how and when students will get formative feedback on their writing.**

After submitting their papers, within one week, students will receive graded papers with detailed, constructive criticism on their writing. I will also hold special office hours to meet with any student individually and help him or her to further expand or strengthen his or her argument.

1. **Exam I, Exam II and Final Exam**: Exams will presume that students are familiar with course lectures, discussions and readings. Students will be expected to identify images and discuss their significance within the history of art and the culture of that period. Questions may take a variety of forms, but the basic format of the examinations will be:
	1. Slide Identification. Identify artist, title, and date. Analyze or comment on the work in terms of its technique and style, iconography, art-historical significance and/or cultural and sociopolitical meanings.
	2. Slide Comparison. Identify two specific works, including artist, title, and date. Write a short essay that compares and contrasts the works. Students will need to analyze the pieces from various perspectives that are discussed in the assigned readings, lectures, and class discussions.
	3. Comprehensive Essays (only for the final exam). Write a longer essay that addresses major concerns and critical issues discussed in class and in the assigned readings.
	4. Exam dates. Exam I: **9/24**. Exam II: **10/29**. Final: **12/7**.

**GRADING:**

1. Class attendance and participation 10%
2. 3 sets of discussion questions: I (3%), II (3%), III (4%) 10%
3. Notebook I (3%), II (3%), III (4%) 10%
4. Exam I 15%
5. Exam II 15%
6. Final exam 20%
7. Research paper 20%

(paper topic 2%, paper proposal 3%, final paper 15%)

**IV. Textbooks:**

Marilyn Stokstad and Michael W. Cothren, *Art History*, vol. I, 5th edition, Pearson, 2014.

Sylvan Barnet, *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, 11th edition, Prentice Hall, 2014.

A number of assigned readings can be found on Canvas.

**V. Teaching Strategies:**

A. Slide lectures and class discussions.

B. Readings in the textbooks.

C. Student notebook and a six-page research paper about an artist and his or her work.

**VI. Content:**

A. Art terms and applications.

B. Art forms and classifications.

C. Multi-cultural and inter-disciplinary art history, Ancient through Gothic.

In the Western tradition, art has been conceived of as a manifestation of large, sweeping historical forces which privilege European art objects. This course, with its emphasis on the Western canon and employment of a linear, chronological structure, continues this nineteenth-century tradition which highlights stylistic period changes and thus provides students with valuable visual and conceptual skills. However, so-called new art historians of the late twentieth century seek to transform the survey of art into a world survey that foregrounds the complex relationships between art, its makers and users. “Western Art History” takes a critical approach that questions the canon, the traditional hierarchy of the arts and the distinction between “fine” and “utilitarian” art. Conflicts within the discipline of art history will be introduced exposing the student to the actual debate and disagreement that make up the scholarly process.

**VIII. Attendance:**

Since the lectures do not replicate the readings, most of the information you will be tested on will be offered during class sessions. Therefore, attendance at all lectures is *significant*. Attendance will be taken daily.

**No penalty for the first three absences.**

Four absences will lower the final grade by 15%. In other words, 100 points would be reduced to 85, resulting in a final grade of B instead of an A.

Five absences will lower the final grade by 30%. In other words, 100 points would be reduced to 70, resulting in a final grade of C instead of an A.

Six absences will lower the final grade by 45%. In this example the final grade would be 55 which is a failing grade. Therefore, any student who has more than five absences (for any reason) will not pass this course.

**IX. Writing to Learn Aspects of Course:**

Art History I is designated as a writing intensive course by the University. To fulfill this function, students will be asked to fulfill a number of writing assignments throughout the semester.

***Writing to Learn Statement of Intent***

A. Notebooks: Students will keep a notebook as described in section VII of the course syllabus. These will be collected periodically and without prior warning for inspection for completeness, format, clarity and quality.

B. Research Paper: All students will compose an original essay about an artist whose career falls within the chronological and geographical parameters of the course. The final paper will be 6 pages (typed, double-spaced) in length. The paper topic must be approved by the instructor.

C. In-class writing assignments: These will be composed in the student notebooks on topics relevant to the course material.

***Philosophy of Writing***

D. Clear writing promotes clear thinking. Writing about course material is a skill that can be improved with practice. In this class you will be writing often on a variety of assignments. As a result, you will become active learners able to articulate ideas in your own words and from your own perspective.

E. Writing about visual art reinforces visual literacy. We are inundated by a confusing array of visual images from television, Hollywood and advertising. Writing about works of art develops critical thinking skills which can be used to analyze and interpret all visual imagery.

**X. Special Needs:**

If you have learning disabilities or other problems that make class participation difficult, please let me know as soon as possible. In addition, refer to the PSU Student Handbook where you will find resources for students with special needs.

**XI. Concealed Carry Weapons Policy**

In this class, students will be asked on a regular basis to participate in activities, such as engaging in group work, using the board, testing without personal properties in close proximity, or performing short skits or role-playing scenarios. These activities may require students to either be separated from their bags or be prepared to keep their bags with them at all times during such activities. Students are encouraged to read the online weapons policy  (<http://pittstate.edu/dotAsset/ca5f2c95-67c7-426d-8da9-b42f5d00a936.pdf>) to ensure they understand the requirements related to concealed carry.

**XII. Note:** “*This course counts towards the academic component of the IKE Certificate of International Knowledge and Experience. The IKE Certificate may be earned by students in any major. The academic component consists of five courses - two semesters of a foreign language, and three courses with international content in three different disciplines. To receive the certificate, students must also complete a second component, either by studying abroad, or by participating in co-curricular activities on campus. Completion of the IKE certificate as an undergraduate is noted on a student’s PSU undergraduate transcript, although graduate students may also earn the certificate. To be added to the IKE Canvas group and start tracking your progress towards the certificate, please e-mail your GUS number in a request to* ike@pittstate.edu *.*”

--by Alexandria Mott, IKE Assistant

***\*\*\*Please come see me during office hours, or contact me by e-mail, if you have questions about any aspect of this course. I am happy to address queries and concerns.***

**COURSE SCHEDULE:**

**WEEK ONE**

**M 8/20** INTRODUCTION

**W 8/22 Chapter One: Prehistoric Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 1-12.

Film Screening and Discussion: *The Walls of Lascaux Cave* by Jacques Willemont

**F 8/24 Chapter One: Prehistoric Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 12-25.

Film Screening and Discussion: Stonehenge

**WEEK TWO**

**M 8/27** **Chapter Two: Art of the Ancient Near East**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 27-40.

**Discussion:** “The Gilgamesh Epic and Homer” by Gerald K Gresseth (Canvas)

**W 8/29 Chapter Two: Art of the Ancient Near East**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 40-47.

**F 8/31 Reading: Sylvan Barnet, *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 1-36.**

**WEEK THREE**

**M 9/3** LABOR DAY: NO CLASS

**W 9/5 Chapter Three: Art of Ancient Egypt**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 49-59.

**F 9/7 Chapter Three: Art of Ancient Egypt**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 59-70.

**WEEK FOUR**

**M 9/10 Chapter Three: Art of Ancient Egypt**

**Discussion:** John Ray, “Introduction” and “Whose Loot Is It Anyway?” in *The Rosetta Stone and the Rebirth of Ancient Egypt* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2009), pp. 1-8, 145-163 (Canvas).

**W 9/12 Chapter Three: Art of Ancient Egypt**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 70-79.

**Discussion: Sylvan Barnet, "Writing About Art" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 37-47.**

**F 9/14 Chapter Four: Art of the Ancient Aegean**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 81-92.

**Discussion: Sylvan Barnet, "Formal Analysis and Style" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, 48-68.**

**WEEK FIVE**

**M 9/17 Chapter Four: Art of the Ancient Aegean**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 92-99.

**W 9/19 Review for Exam I**

**Reading: Sylvan Barnet, "Writing a Comparison" and "Writing Essay Examinations" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 132-145, 345-350.**

**F 9/21 Study for Exam I**

**WEEK SIX**

**M 9/24 Exam I**

Written responses to the first set of discussion questions must be completed and posted on Canvas by noon.

**W 9/26 Chapter Five: Art of Ancient Greece**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 101-127.

**F 9/28 Chapter Five: Art of Ancient Greece**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 127-142.

**WEEK SEVEN**

**M 10/1 Chapter Five: Art of Ancient Greece**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 142-148.

**Discussion: Sylvan Barnet, "Analytic Thinking" *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, 69-109.**

**W 10/3 Chapter Five: Art of Ancient Greece**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 149-155.

**Sylvan Barnet, "Analytic Thinking" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 109-131.**

**\*\*\*The topic for your paper is due.**

**F 10/5 Chapter Six: Etruscan and Roman Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 157-167.

**Discussion:** Alberto Angela, “The Domus: Home for the Wealthy” and “The Slave Market” in *A Day in the Life of Ancient Rome*, pp. 28-41, 179-194 (Canvas).

**WEEK EIGHT**

**M 10/8 Chapter Six: Etruscan and Roman Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 167-176.

**W 10/10 Chapter Six: Etruscan and Roman Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 176-187.

**Discussion:** Alberto Angela, “Entering the Colosseum” and “The Colosseum, Hour of Torment” in *A Day in the Life of Ancient Rome*, pp. 293-322, 253-261 (Canvas).

**F 10/12 FALL BREAK: NO CLASS**

**WEEK NINE**

**M 10/15 Chapter Six: Etruscan and Roman Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 188-203.

Alberto Angela, “Roman Dress” in *A Day in the Life of Ancient Rome*, pp. 45-62 (Canvas).

**W 10/17 Chapter Six: Etruscan and Roman Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 204-213.

**Discussion:** Alberto Angela, “The Imperial Forum, A Marble Wonderland” in *A Day in the Life of Ancient Rome*, pp. 226-233 (Canvas).

**F 10/19** **Work on Paper proposal**

**WEEK TEN**

**M 10/22 Chapter Seven: Jewish and Early Christian Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 214-222.

Alberto Angela, “Encounter with a Deity” in *A Day in the Life of Ancient Rome*, pp. 119-128 (Canvas).

\*\*\***Paper proposal** (a thesis statement, a short outline of the paper, and a concise annotated bibliography) **is due**.

**W 10/24 Review for Exam II**

**F 10/26** **Exam II**

Written responses to the second set of discussion questions must be completed and posted on Canvas by noon.

**WEEK ELEVEN**

**M 10/29 Chapter Seven: Jewish and Early Christian Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 223-231.

**W 10/31 Chapter Eight: Byzantine Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 232-248.

Film Screening and Discussion: Church of Hagia Sophia

**F 11/2 Chapter Eight: Byzantine Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 248-263.

**Discussion:** Patrick Henry, “What Was Iconoclast Controversy About?”, pp. 16-31. (Canvas)

**WEEK TWELVE**

**M 11/5 Chapter Eleven: Chinese and Korean Art before 1279.**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 330-343.

Sylvan Barnet, "How to Write an Effective Essay" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 182-192.

Film Screening and Discussion: The Great Wall

**Discussion:** Lothar Ledderose. “A Magic Army for the Emperor” in *Ten Thousand Things: Module and Mass Production in Chinese Art* (Princeton University Press, 1998).

**W 11/7 Chapter Eleven: Chinese and Korean Art before 1279.**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 343-348.

**Discussion**: Wang Zheng, “Creating a Feminist Discourse” in *Women in the Chinese Enlightenment*, pp. 35-66 (Canvas).

**F 11/9 Chapter Eleven: Chinese and Korean Art before 1279.**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 348-355.

**Sylvan Barnet, "Style in Writing" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 193-225.**

**WEEK THIRTEEN**

**M 11/12 Chapter Eleven: Chinese and Korean Art before 1279.**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 356-359.

**Discussion:** Daniel L. Overmyer, “Kuan-yin: The Development and Transformation of a Chinese Goddess” in *The Journal of Religion*, Vol. 82, No. 3 (Jul., 2002), pp. 418-423 (On Canvas).

Maria Reis-Habito, “The Bodhisattva Guanyin and the Virgin Mary” in *Buddhist-Christian Studies*, Vol. 13 (1993), pp. 61-9 (Canvas).

**W 11/14 Chapter Twelve: Japanese Art before 1333**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 360-369.

**F 11/16 Chapter Twelve: Japanese Art before 1333**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 369-376.

**WEEK FOURTEEN**

**M 11/19 Chapter Twelve: Japanese Art before 1333**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 376-381.

**W 11/21** THANKSGIVING BREAK: NO CLASS

**F 11/23** THANKSGIVING BREAK: NO CLASS

**WEEK FIFTEEN**

**M 11/26 Chapter Fifteen: Early Medieval Art in Europe**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 428-457.

**Sylvan Barnet, "Art-Historical Research" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 226-243.**

\*\*\***Research paper** **is due.**

**W 11/28 Chapter Sixteen: Romanesque Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 458-473.

**Sylvan Barnet, "Writing a Research Paper" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 270-306.**

**F 11/30 Chapter Sixteen: Romanesque Art**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 474-493.

**Sylvan Barnet, "Manuscript Form" in *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, pp. 307-344.**

**WEEK SIXTEEN**

**M 12/3 Chapter Seventeen: Gothic of the Twelfth and Thirteenth Centuries**

Reading:

Marilyn Stokstad, *Art History*, pp. 494-529.

Janina Koziarska-Kowalik, “The Gothic Chapel: Building and Construction” in *The Chapel of Lublin*, pp. 3-34.

**W 12/5**  **Review for Final**

**F 12/7: Final**

Written responses to the third set of discussion questions must be completed and posted on Canvas by noon.

**Grading Criteria for the Research Paper:**

**“A”** papers demonstrate a sophisticated, original, unified argument or thesis, developed logically and persuasively. They show deep understanding of the texts and provide solid evidence for all arguments. Sentences and paragraphs clearly weave together a coherent structure to support the thesis. Mechanical errors are rare.

**“B”** papers state a clear thesis and solidly demonstrate good ideas and insights that are perhaps more common and less original than those in “A” papers. Assertions are supported by evidence and logic, although they may be strengthened by further elaboration. Organization and style are of generally high quality marred only by occasional inconsistencies.

**“C”** papers demonstrate an effort to address the assignment, but suffer from relatively meaningless theses. Insights and ideas are fairly obvious. Logic may falter at times. Misuse of language may begin to interfere with the ability to convey the author’s meaning. Stylistic mechanical errors are more numerous.

**“D”** papers state only a vague thesis—or no thesis at all. Arguments, and therefore the evidence to support them, are absent, replaced by a crude rehashing of the text or by uninformed personal opinion. This work displays very weak cohesion and organization, and suffers from severe language problems.

**“F”** papers demonstrate minimal, unacceptable effort. Papers partially or wholly plagiarized, or not turned in, will receive a failing mark and 0 points.

“ARTICLE 30. ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

Education at the university level requires intellectual integrity and trust between faculty and students. Professors are obliged to master their subject and present as fair an account of it as possible. For their part, students are obliged to make an honest effort to fulfill both the letter and the spirit of course requirements. Academic dishonesty violates both integrity and trust. It jeopardizes the effectiveness of the educational process and the reliability of publicly reported records of achievement.

Academic dishonesty by a student is defined as unethical activity associated with course work or grades.

It includes, but is not limited to:

Giving or receiving unauthorized aid on examinations,

Giving or receiving unauthorized aid in the preparation of notebooks, themes, reports, papers or any other assignments,

Submitting the same work for more than one course without the instructor's permission, and,

Plagiarism. Plagiarism is defined as using ideas or writings of another and claiming them as one's own. Copying any material directly (be it the work of other students, professors, or colleagues) or copying information from print or electronic sources (including the internet) without explicitly acknowledging the true source of the material is plagiarism. Plagiarism also includes paraphrasing another individuals' ideas or concepts without acknowledging their work, or contribution. To avoid charges of plagiarism, students should follow the citation directions provided by the instructor and/or department in which the class is offered

Unless otherwise stated by the instructor, exams, quizzes, and out-of-class assignments are meant to be individual, rather than group, work. Hence, copying from other students’ quizzes or exams, as well as presenting as one's own work an assignment prepared wholly or in part by another is in violation of academic honesty.

The above guidelines do not preclude group study for exams, sharing of sources for research projects, or students discussing their ideas with other members of the class unless explicitly prohibited by the instructor. Since the violation of academic honesty strikes at the heart of the educational process, it is subject to the severest sanctions, up to and including receiving an "F" or "XF" (an "XF" indicates the "F" was the result of academic dishonesty) for the entire class and dismissal from the university.

When an instructor has a reasonable good faith belief that a student(s) has committed academic misconduct, that instructor has the sole discretion to give the student an F on the assignment/test to which the student committed academic misconduct or an F for the entire course. If such an F negatively affects the student’s final grade in the course, that student(s) may appeal the final grade pursuant to the current Pittsburg State University Catalog’s Grade Appeal process.

When the instructor wishes to impose an "XF", and/or more severe sanctions, he or she must first notify their department chair, dean, and the University’s Academic Honesty Committee Chairperson in writing. In addition, the same procedure applies if similar sanctions seem warranted for a student(s) or former student(s) who have assisted in a serious act of academic dishonesty.

University Academic Honesty Committee

The Academic Honesty Committee is convened under the auspices of the Provost. It is composed of nine members. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee is responsible for appointing six of these members. All must be full-time members of the teaching faculty. Members chosen by the Executive Committee serve staggered two-year terms. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee shall make its appointments at the beginning of the academic year. In addition to its six faculty members, the Academic Honesty Committee shall include three student members. Two (2) students of senior status shall be appointed by the Student Government Association. An additional (1) student shall be appointed by the Graduate Student Association. The students from both organizations will be appointed annually and at the beginning of the Fall semester.

The Vice President of the Faculty Senate will serve as the Academic Honesty Committee Chairperson. If the Vice President of the Faculty Senate is excluded because of possible bias, the President of the Faculty Senate will appoint a temporary chair. The Academic Honesty Committee Chairperson is responsible for advising the Provost on cases involving alleged student academic dishonesty.

The committee may impose one or more of the following sanction(s):

The imposition of a grade of "XF"

The addition of a permanent note on the student's transcript indicating his/her participation in a serious act of academic dishonesty (such as taking an exam for another student)

Disciplinary probation

Suspension

Expulsion from the university

The decision made by the Academic Honesty Committee may be appealed to the Provost.The following procedures shall be adhered to:

Step 1: The instructor charging a student with academic dishonesty shall submit a written request for hearing to the Chairperson of the Academic Honesty Committee, giving full detail of the alleged act(s) of academic dishonesty and send copies of the request to their department chair and dean. The Chairperson of the Academic Honesty Committee will then convene the committee and inform its members of the details of the incident. The aforementioned request shall be forwarded by the Chairperson of the Academic Honesty Committee to the student(s) charged with academic dishonesty. The committee shall then schedule a hearing to be held within fifteen (15) class days from the time of the instructor’s request.

Step 2: The instructor, and student(s) charged with academic dishonesty, will be notified of the time and date of the said hearing at least five (5) class days before the hearing is to be held. The instructor, and student(s) charged with academic dishonesty may seek advice concerning the hearing from any person such as a faculty member or department chairperson. The instructor and each student(s) may also be accompanied to the hearings by an advisor. The student(s), at their own cost, has the right to provide a transcriptionist at their hearing. Note: The university attorney has the right to be present at any Academic Honesty Committee hearing.
The two parties, the instructor and student(s) charged with academic dishonesty, may each request removal of any one member of the committee. This request shall be presented to the chairperson of the committee in writing at least two (2) class days prior to the time of the hearing. After the request for removal has been made the chairperson will notify the individual and the respective individual will be removed from the hearing.

Step 3: The Academic Honesty Committee will conduct an appropriate hearing and may gather additional evidence pertaining to the issue.
During the hearing, the instructor, student(s) charged with academic dishonesty, and witnesses with direct first hand knowledge of the incident shall have the opportunity to testify (within the guidelines and time frames established by the committee). Hearings are evaluations by members of the university community and are not legal proceedings. Cross-examination is the prerogative of the instructor, the student(s) charged with academic dishonesty, and the committee. For future reference, the hearing shall be audio tape recorded (Committee deliberations on sanctions shall not be recorded). During the entire process the proceedings of the committee shall be closed and confidential, unless the matter becomes the subject of litigation.

Step 4: Within five (5) class days of the conclusion of the hearing, the committee will render a written opinion concerning its findings, as well as a written verdict which the Provost will impose.

Step 5: Upon notification of the imposed sanction, the student(s) will have five (5) class days to appeal to the Provost. This appeal must be in a written format and must provide detail for the reason of the appeal.

Step 6: Once the Provost receives the appeal, he/she will have 8 class days to review the hearing and, in consultation with the President, render a decision. The Provost may uphold, or overturn the Academic Honesty Committee’s sanction(s) or propose an alternate penalty which the student may accept.

Removal of Sanctions

After two (2) years have elapsed, the student may present a written request for removal of the imposed sanctions to the Provost. If the request is not granted, the student may present up to 4 more requests for removal but in no case can the student present more than 1 request per year academic year.

If the request is granted, the student will be returned to good standing with the university and /or have the notification of the disciplinary action removed from their transcript, provided that no other sanction for academic dishonesty has been imposed in the interim. It shall be at the Provost's discretion to determine what fairness requires.”

--This quote is directly taken from the PSU Website at

http://www.pittstate.edu/audiences/current-students/policies/rights-and-responsibilities/academic-misconduct.dot