

ART V51A: BEGINNING CERAMICS I

History

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College

Ventura College

Discipline (CB01A)

ART - Art

Course Number (CB01B)

V51A

Course Title (CB02)

Beginning Ceramics I

Banner/Short Title

Beginning Ceramics I

Credit Type

Credit

Start Term

Fall 2022

Formerly

ART 51A

Catalog Course Description

This foundation course explores techniques and processes in ceramics through personal exploration within the context of the awareness of historical and contemporary surveys across cultures. Evaluation and critique of historical examples of ceramics from various cultures, historical periods, and aesthetic sensibilities will be discussed during the lab and lecture hours. Students will be introduced to the fundamentals of making, decorating, and firing.

Taxonomy of Programs (TOP) Code (CB03)

1002.30 - Ceramics

Course Credit Status (CB04)

D (Credit - Degree Applicable)

Course Transfer Status (CB05) (select one only)

A (Transferable to both UC and CSU)

Course Basic Skills Status (CB08)

N - The Course is Not a Basic Skills Course

SAM Priority Code (CB09)

E - Non-Occupational

Course Cooperative Work Experience Education Status (CB10)

N - Is Not Part of a Cooperative Work Experience Education Program

Course Classification Status (CB11)

Y - Credit Course

Educational Assistance Class Instruction (Approved Special Class) (CB13)

N - The Course is Not an Approved Special Class

Course Prior to Transfer Level (CB21)

Y - Not Applicable

Course Noncredit Category (CB22)

Y - Credit Course

Funding Agency Category (CB23)

Y - Not Applicable (Funding Not Used)

Course Program Status (CB24)

1 - Program Applicable

General Education Status (CB25)

Y - Not Applicable

Support Course Status (CB26)

N - Course is not a support course

Field trips

May be required

Faculty notes on field trips; include possible destinations or other pertinent information

May visit galleries or studios.

Grading method

(L) Letter Graded

Does this course require an instructional materials fee?

No

Repeatable for Credit

No

Is this course part of a family?

No

Units and Hours

Carnegie Unit Override

No

In-Class

Lecture

Minimum Contact/In-Class Lecture Hours

17.5

Maximum Contact/In-Class Lecture Hours

17.5

Activity

Laboratory

Minimum Contact/In-Class Laboratory Hours

105.0

Maximum Contact/In-Class Laboratory Hours

105.0

Total in-Class**Total in-Class****Total Minimum Contact/In-Class Hours**

122.5

Total Maximum Contact/In-Class Hours

122.5

Outside-of-Class**Internship/Cooperative Work Experience****Paid****Unpaid****Total Outside-of-Class****Total Outside-of-Class****Minimum Outside-of-Class Hours**

35.0

Maximum Outside-of-Class Hours

35.0

Total Student Learning**Total Student Learning****Total Minimum Student Learning Hours**

157.5

Total Maximum Student Learning Hours

157.5

Minimum Units (CB07)

3

Maximum Units (CB06)

3

Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs)**Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:**

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| 1 | Analyze basic techniques in working with clay, ceramic process and correctly use vocabulary related to ceramics. |
| 2 | Apply knowledge and experience in clay forming, clay construction methods, and a variety of glaze decoration techniques. |
| 3 | Apply knowledge of historic and/or contemporary ceramic art. |

Course Objectives**Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students will be able to:**

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| 1 | Employ ceramic studio safety procedures and discuss health and environmental issues involved with ceramics process. |
| 2 | Explain the history of kiln firing from primitive techniques through contemporary methods. |
| 3 | Apply construction requirements in clay forming, trimming, and decoration, taking into account the nature of clay and skills and information needed for successful results. |
| 4 | Apply knowledge and experience in using a variety of clay bodies. |

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| 5 | Apply ceramics construction principles, including but not limited to pinch, coil, soft slab, hard slab, additive and subtractive techniques, and wheel work. |
| 6 | Implement knowledge and experience of decorative techniques, including but not limited to engobes, stains, sgraffito, mishima, and glazing. |
| 7 | Examine and discuss ceramics as a major medium of artistic expression, including the history of clay and its role in historical and contemporary cultures as both an artistic form and a functional craft. |
| 8 | Present results of research and the process they used to complete projects that incorporated the research, and critique the work of others. |

Course Content

Lecture/Course Content

1. Clay and construction (Objs. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8)
 - a. Technical skills, clay materials, and construction processes such as pinch, coil, and slab and extruder techniques
 - b. The nature of clay and the skills and information needed for successful results
 - c. Ceramics vocabulary
 - i. Clay and clay bodies
 - ii. Greenware phase
 - iii. Bisqueware phase
 - iv. Glazeware phase
 - v. Kilns and firing
 - vi. Firing processes
 - d. Clay bodies and glazing—lecture and demonstration
 - i. Definition
 - ii. Materials
 - iii. Physical properties
 - iv. Characteristics
 - v. Engobe techniques
 - vi. Glazing techniques
 - vii. Decorative techniques
 - e. Clay process techniques
 - i. Wet mix
 - ii. Dry mix
 - iii. Semi-dry mix
2. Surface development (Objs. 1, 2, 6, 7)
 - a. Decorating techniques including texture, slip, glaze, and firing
 - b. Historical and contemporary applications as they relate to surface decoration
 - c. Elements and organizing principles of ceramics that integrate diverse culture, historical and contemporary styles, including but not limited to sgraffito, mishima, and additive and subtractive techniques
3. Composition and discussion (Objs. 7, 8)
 - a. Fundamentals of composition and how they relate to form making and surface development
 - b. Preparation for a final critique of completed projects
4. Historical and contemporary ceramics works: Overview of ceramics as a major medium of artistic expression, including the history of clay and its role in historical and contemporary cultures as both an artistic form and a functional craft. (Objs. 2, 7)
 - a. Greek and Early ceramics
 - b. Middle Eastern ceramics
 - c. Pre-Colombian and Ancient Peruvian ceramics
 - d. Chinese ceramics
 - e. Japanese ceramics
 - f. Korean ceramics
 - g. African ceramics
 - h. Contemporary ceramics

5. Studio safety and operation (Objs. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6)
 - a. Introduction to the ceramic work space
 - i. Studio safety: a. Cleanup procedures b. Airborne hazards c. Hazards of touching materials d. kiln hazards
 - ii. Classroom organization
 - iii. Work stations appropriate for specific uses
 - b. Maintenance and operation of studio tools, equipment, and facilities
 - i. Kiln
 - ii. Potter's wheel
 - iii. Banding wheel
 - iv. Slab roller
 - v. Hand building tools

Laboratory or Activity Content

Laboratory provides supervised practical experience allowing students to apply the information and/or techniques learned in the lecture portion of the course to achieve beginning I level proficiency in ceramics

1. Ceramic studio cleanup and safety procedures (Obj. 1)
 - a. Cleanup procedures
 - b. Airborne hazards
 - c. Hazards of touching materials
 - d. Kiln hazards
2. Class critiques of student work (Obj. 8)
3. Research and proposal for art work inspired by historical and contemporary ceramics works (Objs. 7, 8)
4. Decoration—can include all but not limited to: (Objs. 3, 6)
 - a. Carving
 - b. Engobe/Mishima
 - c. Stains
 - d. Glazing
5. Building functional and sculptural forms using multiple building methods; methods of building can include all but not limited to: (Objs. 3, 4, 5)
 - a. Pinch
 - b. Coil
 - c. Slab
 - d. Throwing on potter's wheel
 - e. Combining methods
 - f. Functional forms
6. Functional forms—can include all but not limited to: (Objs. 3, 4, 5)
 - a. Bowls
 - b. Mugs
 - c. Vases
 - d. Pitchers
 - e. Bottles
 - f. Plates

Methods of Evaluation

Which of these methods will students use to demonstrate proficiency in the subject matter of this course? (Check all that apply):

Written expression
 Problem solving exercises
 Skills demonstrations

Methods of Evaluation may include, but are not limited to, the following typical classroom assessment techniques/required assignments (check as many as are deemed appropriate):

Individual projects
 Journals
 Laboratory activities
 Objective exams
 Oral analysis/critiques
 Oral presentations

Portfolios
Quizzes
Research papers
Skills demonstrations
Skills tests or practical examinations
Other (specify)

Other

One-on-one conferences

Instructional Methodology

Specify the methods of instruction that may be employed in this course

Audio-visual presentations
Class activities
Class discussions
Computer-aided presentations
Demonstrations
Distance Education
Field trips
Group discussions
Instructor-guided interpretation and analysis
Instructor-guided use of technology
Internet research
Laboratory activities
Lecture

Describe specific examples of the methods the instructor will use:

- Provide guidance to students to help them identify cultures or periods of personal interest as inspiration for their construction projects
- Exhibit PowerPoint presentations showing comparisons of historical and contemporary examples of functional and sculptural works
- Arrange accompanied or unaccompanied museum visits to introduce ceramic creations from various cultures and time periods
- Demonstrate ceramics construction method including but not limited to pinch, coil, soft slab, hard slab.
- Demonstrate surface decoration with color inlay, slip, sgraffito, mishima, additive and subtractive techniques
- Demonstrate on potter's wheel the making of a basic cylinder

Representative Course Assignments

Writing Assignments

1. Group and individual critiques
2. Written assignments, which may include
 - a. Quizzes/exams
 - b. Essays/reports (on ceramic work seen during museum visits, for example)
 - c. Notebook documenting results of research, in-class lecture information, and construction and glazing techniques used on projects

Critical Thinking Assignments

- Critical evaluation (practical, written, and/or oral) of ceramic works through references to historical and contemporary developments, trends, materials and approaches in ceramics
- Critical evaluation and selection of the best tools to apply and compositions to develop in creating ceramic objects

Reading Assignments

Reading assignments may include:

1. Textbook readings related to aspects of the subject matter identified in the course outline
2. Topics readings from Ceramics Monthly magazines
3. Library readings on the history of ceramics

Skills Demonstrations

Work on clay projects that use techniques such as:

- Pinch
- Coil
- Soft slab
- Hard slab

Problem-Solving and Other Assignments (if applicable)

1. Field trips may be required, in the form of:
 - a. Monthly visits to the campus gallery
 - b. Visits to area museums, studios, or galleries
2. Developing solutions to assigned problems involving, for example:
 - a. The use of glazes
 - b. The additive process
 - c. The subtractive process

Outside Assignments

Representative Outside Assignments

1. Reading assignments may include:
 - a. Textbook readings related to aspects of the subject matter identified in the course outline
 - b. Topics readings from Ceramics Monthly magazines
 - c. Library research related to students' chosen projects
2. Field trips may be required, in the form of:
 - a. Monthly visits to the campus gallery
 - b. Visits to area museums, workshops, or galleries

Articulation

C-ID Descriptor Number

ARTS 230

Status

Submitted to C-ID

Equivalent Courses at 4 year institutions

University	Course ID	Course Title	Units
CPP	ART 130A	Foundations of Ceramics	3
CPP SLO	ART 245	Ceramics I	4
CSUB	ART 216	Introduction to Clay and Ceramics	5
CSUCI	ART 207	Ceramics	3
CSUC	ARTS 260	Introduction to Ceramics	3
CSUDH	ART 1112	Ceramics I	4
CSUF	ART 106A	Beginning Ceramics	3
CSULB	ART 251A	Introduction to Ceramics:Handbuilding	3
CSULA	ART 1520	Survey and Studio:Introduction to Ceramics	3
CSUN	ART 267	Introduction to Ceramics	3
CSUS	ART 50	BEGINNING CERAMICS	3
CSUSB	ART 254	Beginning Ceramics	3
SDSU	ART 226	Introduction to Ceramics	3
Humboldt State	ART 290	Ceramics I	3
SFSU	ART 245	Ceramics 1	3
SJSU	ART 46	Introduction to Ceramics	3
SSU	ARTS 229	Beginning Ceramics	2-4
UCI	ART 51	Basic Ceramic Sculpture	4

Comparable Courses within the VCCCD

ART M70 - Beginning Ceramics I

District General Education

A. Natural Sciences

B. Social and Behavioral Sciences

C. Humanities

C1. Fine/Performing Arts

Approved

D. Language and Rationality

E. Health and Physical Education/Kinesiology

F. Ethnic Studies/Gender Studies

Course is CSU transferable

Yes

CSU Baccalaureate List effective term:

F1995

CSU GE-Breadth

Area A: English Language Communication and Critical Thinking

Area B: Scientific Inquiry and Quantitative Reasoning

Area C: Arts and Humanities

C1 Arts: Arts, Cinema, Dance, Music, Theater

Denied

Date Proposed:

F1995

Date Denied:

F2020

Expiration term:

Fall 2020

Area D: Social Sciences

Area E: Lifelong Learning and Self-Development

Area F: Ethnic Studies

CSU Graduation Requirement in U.S. History, Constitution and American Ideals:

UC TCA

UC TCA

Approved

IGETC**Area 1: English Communication****Area 2A: Mathematical Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning****Area 3: Arts and Humanities****Area 3A: Arts**

Denied

Date Proposed:

F2020

Date Denied:

F2020

Expiration term:

Fall 2020

Area 4: Social and Behavioral Sciences**Area 5: Physical and Biological Sciences****Area 6: Languages Other than English (LOTE)****Textbooks and Lab Manuals****Resource Type**

Textbook

DescriptionCobb, Sunshine. *Mastering Hand Building: Techniques, Tips, and Tricks for Slabs, Coils, and More*. Voyageur Press, 2018.**Resource Type**

Textbook

DescriptionCarter, Ben. *Mastering The Potter's Wheel: Techniques, Tips And Tricks For Potters*. Voyager Press, 2016.**Resource Type**

Textbook

DescriptionPeterson, Jan, and Susan Peterson. *The Craft and Art of Clay: A Complete Potter's Handbook* (5th edition). Laurence King Publishers, 2012.**Resource Type**

Textbook

DescriptionWoody, Elsbeth. *Handbuilding Ceramic Forms* (1st edition). Allworth Press, 2008.**Resource Type**

Textbook

Classic Textbook

No

Description

Watson, Oliver. *Ceramics of Iran: Islamic Pottery from the Sarikhani Collection*. Sarikhani Collection, 2020.

Resource Type

Textbook

Classic Textbook

No

Description

Gerritsen, Anne. *The City of Blue and White: Chinese Porcelain and the Early Modern World*. Cambridge University Press, 2020.

Resource Type

Textbook

Classic Textbook

No

Description

Sorkin, Jenni. *Live Form: Women, Ceramics, and Community*. University of Chicago Press, 2016.

Library Resources

Sufficient Library Resources exist

Yes

Distance Education Addendum

Definitions

Distance Education Modalities

- Hybrid (1%–50% online)
- Hybrid (51%–99% online)
- 100% online

Faculty Certifications

Faculty assigned to teach Hybrid or Fully Online sections of this course will receive training in how to satisfy the Federal and state regulations governing regular effective/substantive contact for distance education. The training will include common elements in the district-supported learning management system (LMS), online teaching methods, regular effective/substantive contact, and best practices.

Yes

Faculty assigned to teach Hybrid or Fully Online sections of this course will meet with the EAC Alternate Media Specialist to ensure that the course content meets the required Federal and state accessibility standards for access by students with disabilities. Common areas for discussion include accessibility of PDF files, images, captioning of videos, Power Point presentations, math and scientific notation, and ensuring the use of style mark-up in Word documents.

Yes

Regular Effective/Substantive Contact

Hybrid (1%–50% online) Modality:

Method of Instruction	Document typical activities or assignments for each method of instruction
Asynchronous Dialog (e.g., discussion board)	Regular use of asynchronous discussion boards encourages various types of interaction and critical thinking skills among all course participants. Questions and topics posed will allow students to discuss, compare and contrast, identify, and analyze elements of the course outcomes. Other discussion boards may be used for Q&A and general class discussion by students and instructor to facilitate student success and strengthen student learning outcomes.
E-mail	E-mail, class announcements and various learning management system tools such as “Message Students Who” and “Assignment Comments”, will be used to regularly communicate with all students on matters such as clarification of class content, reminders of upcoming assignments and/or course responsibilities, to provide prompt feedback to students on coursework to facilitate student learning outcomes, or to increase the role of an individual educator in the academic lives of a student. Students will be given multiple ways to email instructor through both the learning management system inbox and faculty provided email accounts.
Face to Face (by student request; cannot be required)	Students will have direct face-to-face contact with instructor during weekly class meetings. This time will provide the opportunity for students to discuss and ask questions about the material to facilitate student learning objectives and course outcomes. The instructor will also hold weekly, scheduled office hours for students to be able to meet and discuss course materials or individual progress. Students can request additional in-person or web conferencing meetings with faculty member as needed. Faculty may encourage online students to form “study groups” in person or online. Note: For hybrid classes, face-to-face class time will provide opportunities for students to discuss amongst themselves (in groups or pairs) and ask questions about the material to facilitate SLOs and course outcomes.
Other DE (e.g., recorded lectures)	Faculty may use a variety of ADA compliant tools and media integrated within the learning management system to help students reach SLO competency. Tools may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Recorded Lectures, Narrated Slides, Screencasts o Instructor created content o VC Online Library Resources o Canvas Peer Review Tool o Canvas Student Groups (Assignments, Discussions) o 3rd Party (Publisher) Tools (MyOpenMath) o Websites and Blogs o Multimedia (YouTube, Films on Demand, 3CMedia, Khan Academy, etc.)
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Examinations

Hybrid (1%–50% online) Modality

On campus
Online

Hybrid (51%–99% online) Modality

On campus
Online

Primary Minimum Qualification

ART

Review and Approval Dates

Department Chair

MM/DD/YYYY

Dean

MM/DD/YYYY

Technical Review

MM/DD/YYYY

Curriculum Committee

12/07/2021

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MM/DD/YYYY

Curriculum Committee

12/07/2021

Board

MM/DD/YYYY

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12/13/2021

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Reviewer Comments

Michael Callahan (mcallahan) (Mon, 16 Aug 2021 22:51:14 GMT): Rollback: Please see my email of 08-16-21, Subject: ART V51A - Edits and SLOs.

Michael Callahan (mcallahan) (Wed, 01 Sep 2021 20:21:18 GMT): Rollback: Please see my email of 09-01-21, Subject: ART V51A - New CSLO needs to be Submitted.

Bob Moskowitz (bmoskowitz) (Mon, 22 Nov 2021 16:30:45 GMT): Department Approval

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