



**BAKER COLLEGE  
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES**

**HUM3610 Art Appreciation  
3 Semester Hours**

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**Student Learning Outcomes & Enabling Objectives**

1. Explore how to understand works of visual art.
  - a. Describe how a work of art looks.
  - b. Discuss the content of works of art (what the work of art is about, its meaning, subject matter, theme, purpose).
  - c. Interpret the meanings of works of art.
  - d. Recognize and discuss the different forms of art (the visual elements, principles of design).
  
2. Acquire a basic knowledge of the visual arts from prehistoric times to the present.
  - a. Recognize and explore significant artists and major works of visual art.
  - b. Identify and discuss the characteristics of works of art from different periods, regions, and styles.
  - c. Examine the various materials and techniques that are used in art making.
  
3. Explore the significance of the visual arts for the human experience and history.
  - a. Investigate how art connects humans across time and place.
  - b. Examine how humans use art as a form of visual communication.
  - c. Analyze what art reveals about the artist, culture, and the context in which it was created.
  - 3d. Recognize how art changes over time.

**Big Ideas and Essential Questions**

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- Viewing Art
- Art as Part of the Human Experience
- Historical Perspective

**Essential Questions**

1. What is art?
2. What is the significance and value of art?
3. How can art enrich our lives today?
4. What is the role of art and artists throughout history?

5. What is the role of the viewer of art?

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**Effective: Fall 2017**