

# Niagara Falls High School

## **Visual Arts Course Descriptions**

### **STUDIO IN ART**

ART120 – 1.0 credit

This studio class covers the basics- A wide spectrum of materials and methods and Art History-Students will be expected to get involved in a continuous learning process with a desire to improve skill and create successful projects.

**This course satisfies the NYS required art credit for graduation.**

### **ADVANCED STUDIO ART**

ART230 – 1.0 credit

This course provides students with an opportunity to expand the knowledge gained and technical skills learned in Art 1. A higher level of craftsmanship, in advanced challenges in 2 and 3 dimensional media, is expected.

**PREREQUISITE: Studio in Art**

### **PRINTMAKING**

ART235 – 1.0 credit

This course teaches various methods of Printmaking such as: Silkscreen, Stamp Print, Linocut, Mono-print, Solar Print, Intaglio Engraving and Collagraph. Students also learn how to make Hand-made Paper on which to print. Drawing lessons are interspersed with the Print lessons to strengthen drawing skills

**PREREQUISITE: Studio in Art**

## **DIGITAL ART & PHOTOGRAPHY**

ART330 – 1.0 credit

This course explores Photography and Digital Imaging Techniques incorporating both Technology and Design. Students will use Professional Imaging Software to create visually stimulating projects. Students should have a strong work ethic and interest in Art and Technology.

**PREREQUISITE: Studio in Art**

## **DRAWING & PAINTING**

ART331 – 1.0 credit

If you like to paint, then this studio is for you-A variety of techniques will be explored through the use of different media including pencils, charcoal, ink, pastels, watercolor, tempera, and acrylic paints. This course is designed to help art majors reach a higher level of craftsmanship and mastery.

**PREREQUISITE: Studio in Art**

## **SCULPTURE & CERAMICS**

ART333 – 1.0 credit

This course develops the student's talent and appreciation for three dimensional work. Students will learn to use the materials and techniques of the modeler and sculptor, learning hand built, throwing and glazing techniques. Some of the materials that may be used are clay, wood, plaster, cardboard and plaster. History and contemporary trends of sculpture will be studied.

**PREREQUISITE: Studio in Art**

## **SCULPTURE & CERAMICS II**

ART333 – 1.0 credit

This course continues the learning of Sculpture & Ceramics I, with an intensive focus on high quality artwork around a variety of learning themes/visual problems. Students must be self-motivated to explore personal interests and techniques in this highly creative arena.

**PREREQUISITE: Sculpture & Ceramics I**

## **AP STUDIO ART-DRAWING**

ART450 – 2.0 credits

An intense portfolio prep class open to senior art majors. Students must have taken at least 3 successful studio class. The AP Program in Studio Art is intended for the highly motivated student who is seriously interested in the study of Art. Equivalent to an intro college level course with an AP portfolio review in May.

**PREREQUISITE: Studio in Art**