

School of Arts & Science VISUAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

ART 144-01 Pottery W 2008

COURSE OUTLINE

The Approved Course Description is available on the web @ ___

 Ω Please note: this outline will be electronically stored for five (5) years only. It is strongly recommended students keep this outline for your records.

1. Instructor Information

(a)	Instructor:	Tom Severson	
(b)	Office Hours:	Wednesday 1:00 – 3:00	
(c)	Location:	Ceramics Studio	
(d)	Phone:	370.3458	Alternative Phone:
(e)	Email:	severson@camosun.bc.ca	
(f)	Website:		

2. Intended Learning Outcomes

This is a foundation studio class. Students will be offered an overview of the history of modern ceramics with a minor reference to pre-industrial pottery. The class will become versed in a variety of hand building techniques, coil building, slab building, effective joinery as well as work on the potter's wheel. A variety of finishing techniques including, but not limited to glazing, the burnished surface in combination with pit firing, sgrafito, under glazes, luster's and decals. Students will be given an overview of loading, unloading and firing of conventional electric and gas fired kilns as well as primitive kilns

3. Required Materials

(a) Texts: <u>The Complete Potter</u> - Steve Mattison

(b) Other: Tool kit required and described in detail first class

4. Course Content and Schedule

Class hours are 9:00 to 1:00 with a lab from 1:00 to 4:00. Readings will be assigned from text followed by a quiz. Student will be responsible for an in class presentation generated from a self-selected pottery or ceramic related web site. Works completed from assignments and personal exploration will be presented for critiques scheduled throughout the term. Grading will occur at midterm and of end of term. Students will participate in all critiques and interviews.

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

(a) Assignments: 80% of final grade will be assessed from completed projects. The focus of evaluation will be on personal growth as reflected in work presented with

particular attention to technical competency and integration of fundamental artistic knowledge from pre-requisite classes. A book, journal or web review will be assigned in the beginning of the semester.

(b) Quizzes: none

(c) Exams: none

(d) Other 0% of final grade will be assessed from the ongoing use of a sketchbook to record and reflect upon student's process. Due at March and April critiques.

10% of final grade will be assessed on active participation and attendance in classes and in particular class critiques.

10% of final grad will be assessed on book review.

6. Grading System

The following percentage conversion to letter grade will be used:

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	Α		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	В		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	С		2
50-59	D	Minimum level of achievement for which credit is granted; a course with a "D" grade cannot be used as a prerequisite.	1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy E-1.5 at **camosun.ca** for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	Incomplete: A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	In progress: A temporary grade assigned for courses that, due to design may require a further enrollment in the same course. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course. (For these courses a final grade will be assigned to either the 3 rd course attempt or at the point of course completion.)

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Compulsory Withdrawal: A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.

7. Recommended Materials or Services to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

LEARNING SUPPORT AND SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

There are a variety of services available for students to assist them throughout their learning. This information is available in the College calendar, at Student Services or the College web site at camosun.ca.

STUDENT CONDUCT POLICY

There is a Student Conduct Policy **which includes plagiarism**. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of this policy. The policy is available in each School Administration Office, at Student Services and on the College web site in the Policy Section.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AS APPROPRIATE OR AS REQUIRED