General Education Arts and Aesthetics Elective

Through studying the arts, students explore the expressive impulse that inspires the creative process and come to understand the arts as a vehicle for discovering value and meaning within one’s own culture and other cultures. Students learn to observe, listen and experience from multiple points of view. They also interpret and analyze aesthetic elements to experience art more powerfully.

Course Criteria
Courses that qualify for arts and aesthetics credit will:

- Develop in students fundamental knowledge and skills to be informed participants in artistic appreciation and/or creation;
- challenge students to experience and think critically about the artistic works;
- develop sensory and aesthetic awareness, and
- engage students in activities that apply knowledge and demonstrate understanding and synthesis of course content.

Student learning outcomes:
- Examine and discuss an art form or genre in artistic, historic, or cultural contexts;
- Analyze and critique aesthetic qualities in a work or works of art, and
- Apply aesthetic principles to interpret and respond, create, or perform a work of art.

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