

Department of Art Syllabus

- I. ART 6463 *Ceramics: Directed Problems I*, 3 Credit Hours
- II. PREREQUISITES
ART 5462
- III. TEXTBOOK
None
- IV. COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course is for the purpose of directed experience in ceramics. Courses are designed with flexibility whereby the graduate student may continue an advanced level of work in ceramic projects determined according to individual need and specific area of interest. The student will submit a proposal that establishes specific goals and objectives that must be approved and supervised by the professor of record. (Lab fee required)
- V. RATIONALE
In preparing for a future in either teaching ceramics or individual art production, the graduate ceramics student requires “capstone” courses which allow for more independent expression, examination, and research for their own body of work. These classes allow for that independence in subject matter and technique while still providing the guidance and critical insight of a professor in the field. The goals and objectives of the course will be determined collaboratively between the professor and student with a mutual focus on the student’s long-term career goals in their medium.
- VI. LEARNING OBJECTIVES AND OUTCOMES
The student will present a proposal to the professor of record, which will specify what objectives they would like to accomplish within the framework of the course. These objectives and outcomes will vary based on the student and their aesthetic goals for individual expression. It is expected that the number, difficulty, conceptual depth, and technical skill of pieces produced during these classes will be at the level of a graduate student.
- VII. COURSE TOPICS
The topics of the courses will, as with the objectives and outcomes, be determined by the student’s aesthetic goals for their individual work. It is understood that the topics covered will be equivalent to that of an advanced graduate student.

VIII. EVALUATION

See Department of Art Syllabus Addendum for Grading Scale and Evaluation.

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