Minnesota State University Moorhead

HUM 101: Humanities Through the Arts

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: Goal 06 - Humanities/Fine Arts

An introductory, chronological examination of the arts, focusing on representative works of the Western tradition with reference to historical, literary, and other cultural developments, as well as non-Western parallels. MnTC Goal 6.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 02/14/2006 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- 1. Historical overview of Western high culture, including painting, sculpture, architecture, and literature
- 2. Geographical, historical, and political influences on Western high culture
- 3. Historical overview of Western value systems
- 4. Aesthetic criteria for art and literature

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

- 1. Identify humanistic issues mainly reflected in "high cultural" (that is, literary and artistic) developments in their socio-historical contexts from Antiquity into Modernity.
- 2. Explain humanistic issues mainly reflected in "high cultural" (that is, literary and artistic) developments in their socio-historical contexts from Antiquity into Modernity.
- 3. Demonstrate understanding of historical, literary, geographical and political knowledge attained and approached through Western high culture.
- 4. Explain how painting, sculpture, architecture, and literature function as mirrors of their sociohistorical matrix, including such cultural value systems as religion.
- 5. Evaluate painting, sculpture, architecture, and literature as expressions of human ingenuity and creativity.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

Goal 06 - Humanities/Fine Arts

- 1. Demonstrate awareness of the scope and variety of works in the arts and humanities.
- 2. Understand those works as expressions of individual and human values within an historical and social context.
- 3. Respond critically to works in the arts and humanities.
- 4. Articulate an informed personal reaction to works in the arts and humanities.

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

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G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted

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