

THEA 2310: INTRODUCTION TO THEATRICAL DESIGN

SUL ROSS STATE UNIVERSITY

Course Syllabus

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Class meets: MWF 10-10:50am

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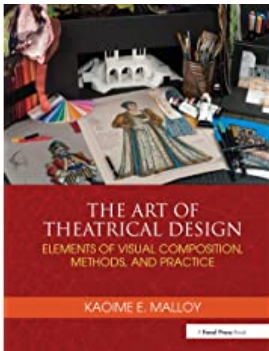
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REQUIRED TEXT: The Art of Theatrical Design, Elements of Visual Composition, Methods, and Practice by Kaoime E. Malloy; 2015 Taylor & Francis; ISBN: 978-1-138-02150-1 paperback



DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

A study of theatrical design and implementation of varied approaches and concepts.

GOALS OF COURSE:

1. To gain knowledge and understanding of scenic, costume, lighting and sound design and production as it applies to theatre.

2. To understand key elements and principles of theatre design.
3. To learn to decipher and analyze the needs of theatre script from a design and production viewpoint.
4. To incorporate a variety of drawing, constructing and presentation techniques.
5. To participate in oral discussions and visual presentations of your work.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

1. A working SRSU e-mail account. **It is not recommended to use outside emails like gmail or yahoo emails. This class must be communicating via SRSU official emails only. Check daily, especially before class.**
2. A working SRSU blackboard account to access all slides/handouts/announcements, etc.
3. A 2” notebook binder with pockets to keep all handouts/scripts and notebook paper. I highly recommend that all students take good notes each class period.
4. Art supplies as instructed for design projects.
5. Outside research.

Participation in class discussions is imperative. As in any discussion, willingness to participate is the key to understanding and accepting different points of view, criticism, and basic understanding of the relevant material.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS: A combination of readings from the text, note taking on all readings, purchase art supplies as instructed, come to class prepared to work,

ATTENDANCE & PARTICIPATION: Attendance is necessary! Attendance will be taken each scheduled class period in accordance with University and Departmental Policy and will count as part of the daily work grade. In accordance with the student handbook, after 9 hours of absences, the student will be dropped from the course with an “F”. If a student is tardy and misses the roll call, they will be charged with one absence. It is up to your professors’ discretion whether an absence is excused or unexcused.

CELL PHONES, texting and engaging in activities unrelated to this class are all strictly prohibited during class time. This means, NO electronic devices are allowed in the class. You must take hand-written notes during class.

GRADING: Assignments are valued as follows: The assignments below are outlined. Please note that attendance and class participation is also part of this grading system.

GRADING SYSTEM

LETTER GRADE

Class Participation/Attendance	100 pts	
Midterm Exam	100 pts	A = 895-1000
Final Project	200 pts	B = 795-894
Project #1	150 pts	C = 695-794

Project #2	150 pts	D = 595-694
Project #3	150 pts	F = Less than 595
Project #4	<u>150 pts</u>	
Total Possible Points:	1000 pts	

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: Students in this class are expected to demonstrate scholarly behavior and academic honesty in the use of intellectual property. A scholar is expected to be punctual, prepared, and focused; meaningful and pertinent participation is appreciated. Examples of academic dishonesty include but are not limited to: Turning in work as original that was used in whole or part for another course and/or professor; turning in another person's work as one's own; copying from professional works or internet sites without citation; collaborating on a course assignment, examination, or quiz when collaboration is forbidden.

SRSU DISABILITY SERVICES: Sul Ross State University (SRSU) is committed to equal access in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act of 1973. It is SRSU policy to provide reasonable accommodations to students with documented disabilities. It is the student's responsibility to initiate a request each semester for each class. Students seeking accessibility/accommodations services must contact Rebecca Greathouse Wren, LPC-S, SRSU's Accessibility Services Coordinator at 432-837-8203 (please leave a message and we'll get back to you as soon as we can during working hours), or email rebecca.wren@sulross.edu. Our office is located on the first floor of Ferguson Hall (Suite 112), and our mailing address is P.O. Box C-122, SUI Ross State University, Alpine, Texas

TECHNICAL SUPPORT: SRSU 24/7 Blackboard Technical Support: Toll Free: 888.837.6055.

Email: blackboardsupport@sulross.edu

SRSU LIBRARY SERVICES:

The Bryan Wildenthal Memorial Library in Alpine offers FREE resources and services to the entire SRSU community. Access and borrow books, articles, and more by visiting the library's website, library.sulross.edu. Off-campus access requires your LoboID and password. Check out materials using your photo ID. Librarians are a tremendous resource for your coursework and can be reached in person, by email (srsulibrary@sulross.edu), or phone (432-837-8123).

The Southwest Texas Junior College (SWTJC) Libraries at Uvalde, Del Rio, and Eagle Pass.

Offer additional access to library spaces and resources. Del Rio, Eagle Pass, and Uvalde students may also use online resources available through SWTJC website, <https://library.swtjc.edu>. The SWTJC Libraries serve as pick-up locations for Inter-Library Loan (ILL) and Document Delivery from the Alpine campus.

CLASSROOM CLIMATE OF RESPECT:

Importantly, this class will foster free expression, critical investigation, and the open discussion of ideas. This means that all of us must help create and sustain an atmosphere of tolerance,

civility, and respect for the viewpoints of others. Similarly, we must all learn how to probe, oppose and disagree without resorting to tactics of intimidation, harassment, or personal attack. No one is entitled to harass, belittle, or discriminate against another on the basis of race, religion, ethnicity, age, gender, national origin, or sexual preference. Still, we will not be silenced by the difficulty of fruitfully discussing politically sensitive issues.

STUDENT SERVICES:

Student services are designed to assist students in the development of their full academic potential and to motivate them to become self-directed learners. Visit:

<https://www.sulross.edu/section/311/student-support-services>

MARKETABLE SKILLS:

Strong oral and written communication skills.

Strong analytical skills.

Strong team work and collaboration skills.

LIST OF ART SUPPLIES – to be provided separately the first day of class

COURSE CALENDAR

A semester course calendar will be available to students and will be discussed in class the first day. This will also be posted on blackboard.