ART 355 Art of the 19th Century (II)

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Course Description:

This course will examine the art of the second half of the nineteenth century. The primary focus will be on the developments which led to the emergence of the modernist trends in paintings which formed the foundation for twentieth century art. Through out the course attention will be paid to the social and cultural context in which the art evolved. Discussion will also include some discussion of sculpture

and architecture as time permits.

Objective:

Rather than provide an accumulation of facts for memorization, it is the objective of this course to facilitate the students' development of an understanding of the vital changes that occurred in the visual arts during the later half of the 19th century and led to modern art in the 20th century.

Format:

Slide/lecture with group discussion on assigned readings.

Text:

Required

Robert Rosenblum and H. J. Janson. 19th Century Art,

Englewood Cliffs, Prentice-Hall Inc., 1984.

Other material as assigned during the tem.

Suggested Reading (Library reserve)

Linda Nochlin. Realism, Penguin Books, London, 1971.

Impressionism and Post-Impressionism 18774-1904, Prentice-Hall Inc., Englewood Cliffs, 1966. Evaluation:

Assignment 1 10% Mid-term exam 30% Term Project 20% Final Exam 40%

Lecture Topics:

Class lectures will follow a similar order as that of the required course but will include additional material drawn from other sources. Examinations will be based therefore, on both lecture and text material.

(As emphasis will be placed on student involvement with the material dates for specific lectures is not feasible. All material will be covered however.)

1848-1870

Introduction to 19th Century Art
Responses to Revolution
Millet
Courbet
Materialism Versus Idealism
Poverty and Piety
Manet and the Painting of Modern Life
Towards Impressionism
Mid-term Examination

1870-1900

Impressionism Versus Academic
Realism to Aestheticism
Search for a New Style: Post Impressionism
Cezanne
Seurot and the Science of Painting
Van Gogh
Gaugin and the Origins of Symbolism
Fantasy, Mythology emotion and social order
Anguish and the Origins of Expressionism
Mysticism, erotica and the Fin de Sicole
Final Examination