# **BrooksInstitute**

## **Course Syllabus**

#### **ACADEMIC FREEDOM STATEMENT**

Brooks Institute is committed to protecting and encouraging the principles of academic freedom. Academic freedom provides the foundation for scholarship, teaching and learning, and reflects the Institutes fundamental mission to promote collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity. Essential elements for the intellectual vitality of a college include: the ability to exchange ideas and concepts freely, to explore and disseminate new knowledge, and to speak openly as a professional and as a private citizen. All are encouraged to promote a learning environment that provides opportunities for the free exchange of ideas between faculty, staff and students.

## **Programmatic Student Learning Outcomes/Mission**

Graduates of the MS in Scientific and Technological Imaging are prepared to meet the challenges of communicating science, technology, and innovation, through visual media. Graduates will leverage skills in project management to ensure the effective production, integration, archiving and distribution of media content in support of scientific research, education, museum collections and research documentation, preservation, and communication.

### **Program Description**

The Master of Science in Scientific and Technological Imaging (MSSTI) is a four-semester, 36-credit, low residency master's program. The program provides an advanced course of study that requires students to explore and effectively apply scientific and technical media imaging methods to meet the challenges of communicating scientific knowledge, technological innovation, research findings, museum collections, and related content to a diverse global audience. The program stresses project and production management skills to ensure the effective production, integration, archiving and distribution of media content.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

Upon completion of the program, students should be able to:

- Apply critical thinking skills to analyze and create effective visual media to educate, inform, and communicate to a global audience (Visual Literacy, Problem Solver)
- Create media content using diverse scientific and technical imaging methods and tools to communicate, interpret and document subject matter (Adept, Global)
- Effectively manage media assets to ensure efficient workflow, distribution, sharing and stable archiving (Adept)
- Identify, articulate and apply ethical principals in relation to visual and verbal media representations, and business/professional practices (Ethics)
- Communicate clearly and effectively, both orally and in writing, in a professional environment (Communication)
- Apply an understanding of project and business management to successfully organize and complete projects as an individual and in collaborative teams (Collaboration)

Course Title Course Code	Above and the second of	
Credit Hours	2 Semester	
Prerequisites MSS636 Specialized Photo Applications I		

Course Type 100% Online Delivery

Instructor TBA

**Email** 

Telephone

Term Start/End Date

## **Course Description**

This advanced level course allows the opportunity for individual students to go into greater depth in particular subject/imaging technique areas, or to explore new areas. Students could expand their capabilities in the areas of magnification imaging, computer graphics imaging, spectral imaging, or other methods while applying acquired project management skills to these self-directed and team projects. Projects in this course must be approved by the instructor, and must be at a more advanced level or involve different methods from MSS636.

## **Learning Objectives**

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

- 1. Create media content using diverse scientific and technical imaging methods and tools to communicate, interpret and document subject matter
- 2. Document and analyze production practices and systems testing and use that documentation as a reference for future work
- 3. Communicate clearly and effectively to communicate specialized imaging methods
- 4. Apply an understanding of project management to successfully organize and complete projects as an individual and in collaborative teams
- 5. Use advanced, specialized image capture methods to produce images that will contribute to developing the student's capabilities portfolio

Required Textbook(s): none

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**Course Outline** 

**Week 1:** Course introduction; Lesson: Survey of the field; pre-production and planning. Synchronous meeting for course orientation and introduction

Week 2: Lesson: Case Study: Applying imaging technology to communicate science, technology and collections

Week 3: Lesson: Exploring outside resources

Week 4: Lesson: Production analysis – specialized equipment and methods

Week 5: Lesson: Production analysis – specialized equipment and methods

Week 6: Lesson: Synchronous meeting for check-in and discussion

Week 7: Lesson: Production analysis – specialized equipment and methods

Week 8: Lesson: Student project presentation, analysis, and discussion of the work presented

Week 9: Lesson: Student project presentation, analysis, and discussion of the work presented

Week 10: Lesson: Student project presentation, analysis, and discussion of the work presented

Week 11: Lesson: Student project presentation, analysis, and discussion of the work presented

Week 12: Lesson: Student project presentation, analysis, and discussion of the work presented

Week 13: Lesson: Student project presentation, analysis, and discussion of the work presented

Week 14: Lesson: The Production Notebook: Outcomes

Week 15: Lesson: Final assessment and summative discussion

### GENERAL ASSESSMENT CRITERIA AND METHODS OF EVALUATING STUDENTS

Letter grades (A, A-, B+, B, etc.)

The student's overall grade for this class is derived from a combination of online instructional activities, class participation (discussion forum postings), assignments, quizzes and exams, projects, and final project/final exam. Only the instructor can authorize exceptions to class policies, deadlines or grades. Students must confirm (in writing) any exceptions to class policies or deadlines with the instructor. Class work is weighted as follows:

Grade Weighting		
Course Area	%	
Participation	10	
Production Documentation	10	
Communication/Presentations	10	
Media Portfolio	70	
Total	100%	

Grading Scales Percent Letter Numeric			
93–100	Α	4.00	
90–92	A-	3.70	
87–89	B+	3.30	
83–86	В	3.00	
80–82	B-	2.70	
77–79	C+	2.30	
73–76	С	2.00	
70–72	C-	1.70	
67–69	D+	1.30	
60–66	D	1.00	
0–59	F	0.00	

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### **DEFINITIONS OF CRITERIA USED IN GRADING**

Outstanding = A	Outstanding work, showing insight and demonstrating excellence in skill and craft. Work goes well beyond what is		
	required		
Superior = A-, B+	Superior work, shows clear understanding and thorough demonstration of skill and craft		
Good = B, B-	Competent work, clear understanding, often showing creativity and good use of skills		
Satisfactory = C+, C, C-	Adequate understanding, inconsistent demonstration of		

	skills, some elements missing or problems with priorities
Unsatisfactory = D, F	Lacks understanding, inadequate amount of time and ef-
_	fort demonstrated, many missing elements, inconsistent
	participation, skill and craftsmanship not demonstrated

#### **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY STATEMENT**

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- Plagiarism Submitting as one's own work, in whole or in part, words, ideas, art, designs, text, drawings, images, reels, etc. that were produced by another person without attributing that person as the rightful source of the work. Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to: using words, word passages, pictures, etc. without acknowledgement; paraphrasing ideas without quotation marks or without citing the source; submitting work that resembles someone else's beyond what would be considered a tolerable coincidence; ideas, conclusions, information found on a student paper which the student cannot explain, amplify or demonstrate knowledge upon questioning.
- Accessory to Dishonesty Knowingly and willfully supplying material or information to another person for the purpose of using the material or information improperly.
- Falsification or Alteration of Records and Official Documents The following are examples of acts under this category, but the list is not exhaustive: altering academic records, forging a signature or authorization on an academic document, or falsifying information on official documents, grade reports, or any other document designed to attest to compliance with school regulation or to exempt from compliance.
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#### **CREDIT ASCRIPTION ADDENDUM**

MSS646 Specialized Photo Applications II - 2 semester credit hours

Type: 100% Online Delivery

Credit Ascription – The amount of hours spent to participate in the course and complete projects, and the assignment alignment with Course Learning Objectives

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The following indicates the **minimum** number of hours per assignment:

Week	Assignment Title	Hours	Assignment Objectives
	Synchronous online meeting	1.5	2,3,4
1	<ul> <li>Discussion Forum participation</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	<ul> <li>Online multimedia presentation and/or research</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
2	<ul> <li>Discussion Forum participation</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
3	and/or research		, ,
	<ul> <li>Discussion Forum participation</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation and/or research	1.5	2,3,4
4	<ul> <li>Discussion Forum participation</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
_	Online multimedia presentation and/or research	1.5	2,3,4
5	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
6	Online multimedia presentation and/or research	1.5	2,3,4
	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5

	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2.2.4
7	and/or research	1.5	2,3,4
	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
	and/or research	1.5	2,3,4
8	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
_	and/or research	1.5	2,3,4
9	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
10	and/or research		_,0,.
10	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
11	and/or research		, ,
11	<ul> <li>Discussion Forum participation</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
12	and/or research		
	<ul> <li>Discussion Forum participation</li> </ul>	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
13	and/or research		
	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
14	Online multimedia presentation	1.5	2,3,4
	and/or research	4 -	0.0.4
	Discussion Forum participation	1.5	2,3,4
	Assignment Production	2	1,2,3,4,5
15	Summative discussion and final	3	40045
Tetal	review / Looking forward	70	1,2,3,4,5
Total		73	