UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY  
FACULTY OF ARTS  
DEPARTMENT OF ART AND ART HISTORY  
ART 323 – Digital Sculpture  
Fall 2022

Course Delivery Format:  
In person, synchronous

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MoWe 8:30AM-9:45AM/9:45AM-11:00AM  
AB 659

Course description:  
Introduces students to 3D modeling by means of digital sculpting techniques, their historical context and terminology. Provides a focus on the fundamentals of working and designing in three-dimensional space.

Prerequisites and/or corequisites:  
ART 235.

Course Objectives:  
By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:  
1. Design and model organic shapes and figures.  
2. Design and model basic hard surface objects.  
3. Output 3D models via 3D printing.  
4. Texture and render models at a basic level.

Required Textbooks of Readings:  
N/A

Course Schedule:  
Week of Sept 6: Introduction to the Class  
Week of Sept 12: Orientation to the 3D World, Mesh Density and Remeshing.  
Week of Sept 19: IMM Brushes and Nanomeshes: Venus of Willendorf assignment due.  
Week of Sept 26: zSphere Modeling: Hatshepsut assignment due  
Week of Oct 3: zSphere Modeling continued  
Week of Oct 17: Live Boolean Operations and zModeler: Seven Lucky Gods assignment due.  
Week of Oct 31: 3D printing and casting, introduction to zSketch  
Week of Nov 7: Term break  
Week of Nov 14: Surfacing: Mayan Calendar Wheel assignment due.  
Week of Nov 21: Sculptural Considerations, zSketch.  
Week of Nov 28: Rendering Concepts, Assembly in Photoshop: Woman from the French Colonies assignment due  
Week of Dec 5: Studies of Unexplained Death assignment due.

Assignments & Evaluation

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<td>Venus of Willendorf</td>
<td>Single mesh sculpting</td>
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<td>Summative textured render</td>
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Assessment expectations:

Guidelines for Submitting Assignments: Assignments will be submitted to class folder on Microsoft OneDrive, or, if that is unavailable, the IAML server: if the latter is necessary, as a result of university security measures, students will have to be on-campus or use the campus VPN to submit files.

Missed or Late Assignments: Assignments not turned in on time will receive a grade of zero, unless prior arrangements are made.

Expectations for Writing:
Writing skills are important to academic study across all disciplines. Consequently, instructors may use their assessment of writing quality as a factor in the evaluation of student work. Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum policy for details.

Additional Costs and Information:

Students are required to have a pressure-sensitive drawing tablet (roughly $100)
Students are highly urged to license a student version of ZBrush, at roughly $12/term
Students are emphatically urges to have a third-party remote backup solution

Portfolios and Assignments:
The Dept of Art and Art History will not assume responsibility for lost or stolen portfolios or course work given to instructors for grading.

Other Important Dates

For more information on term dates, add/drop/swap/withdraw dates from course deadlines and refund/payment deadlines, please see: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html
### Grading Method and Grading Scale

#### Undergraduate: [https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html](https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html)

- A grade of "C" or below may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation, see specific faculty regulations.
- The number of "D" and "D+" grades acceptable for credit is subject to specific undergraduate faculty promotional policy.

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<td>Marginal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject</td>
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<td>Fail – Failure to meet course requirements.</td>
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#### Graduate: [https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-2.html](https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-2.html)

- All grades of "C+" or lower are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements. Individual programs may require a higher passing grade.

### Learning Technologies and Requirements:

There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other relevant class resources and materials (d2L.ucalgary.ca).

To successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of Calgary, students taking online, remote, and blended courses are required to have reliable access to the following technology:

- A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest security, and malware updates
- A current and updated web browser
- Webcam (built-in or external)
- Microphone and speaker (built-in or external) or headset with microphone
- Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled
- Broadband internet connection

### Academic Standing:

For more information go to [http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html](http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html)

### Academic Accommodation:

It is the student’s responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The Student Accommodations policy is available at [https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations](https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations).

Students needing an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS) in accordance with the Procedure for
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<td>The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to the course and classroom activities. Please refrain from accessing websites and resources that may be distracting to you or for other learners during class time. Students are responsible for being aware of the University’s Internet and email use policy, which can be found at <a href="https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf">https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf</a>.</td>
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<td>All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (<a href="https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-Copyright-Policy.pdf">https://ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-Copyright-Policy.pdf</a>) and requirements of the copyright act (<a href="https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html">https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html</a>) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorized sharing of course materials (including presentations, textbooks, posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments, and exams). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html">https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html</a>.</td>
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<td>Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students’ assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary. For more information go to <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/Registrar/student-centre/privacy-policy">https://www.ucalgary.ca/Registrar/student-centre/privacy-policy</a>.</td>
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<td>Whenever you perform research with human participants (i.e., surveys, interviews, or observation) as part of your university studies, you are responsible for following university research ethics guidelines. Your instructor must review and approve of your research plans and supervise your research. For more information go to <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-5.html">http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/e-5.html</a> or <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/research/researchers/ethics-compliance/chreb">https://www.ucalgary.ca/research/researchers/ethics-compliance/chreb</a></td>
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- Wellness and Mental health resources  
- Emergency Evacuation/Assembly Points  
- Student Success and more....  
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| **Studio Procedures:** | Please view current updates from RISK and the Covidsafe page links to information on rapid testing, masking rules, vaccination regulations and documentation as well as a FAQs page, which must all be followed while in Studios.  
| **Arts Students’ Centre Program Advising:** | Have a question but not sure where to start? The Arts Students’ Centre is your information resource for everything in the Faculty of Arts. Call us at 403-220-3580 or email us at ascarts@ucalgary.ca.  
You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at [http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate](http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate) which has detailed information on common academic concerns. |
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