Course Title: Graduate Seminar 529

Fall 2010
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Times: Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
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Required Texts:

*The Contingent Object of Contemporary Art*
by Martha Buskirk

*Inside the Studio: Talks With New York Artists*
by Judith Richards, David Levinthal, Mel Bochner and Janine Antoni

In 529, we will be covering a variety of materials while alternating between particular readings and discussions, presentations, informal critiques, writing exercises and shop-related demonstrations. Below is an example of a possible course schedule, although the activities may be switched or altered depending on the needs and progress of the students.

September 2\(^{nd}\): Writing Exercise A (Maps)
September 7\(^{th}\): Shop Demo: Woodshop
September 16\(^{th}\): Reading Discussion, Writing Exercise B
September 23\(^{rd}\): Shop Demo
September 30\(^{th}\): Reading Discussion, Group Studio Visits
October 7\(^{th}\): Reading Discussion, Group Studio Visits
October 14\(^{th}\): Reading Discussion, Group Studio Visits
October 21\(^{st}\): Shop Demo
October 28\(^{th}\): Writing Exercise C
November 4\(^{th}\): Reading Discussion
November 11\(^{th}\): Shop Demo: Casting Part I
November 18th: Shop Demo: Casting Part II

November 25th: Thanksgiving Holiday - NO CLASS TODAY

December 2nd: Presentations

December 9th: Presentations

Attendance is mandatory. You may not miss more than one class. If you miss more than one class, your grade will be affected negatively.

Your grade for 529 is determined by both your progress and success in this class and by the work that you show for the midterm and final reviews. Grades submitted by other faculty for your final review are factored into your grade.

You are expected to have a regular and rigorous studio practice, and need to meet with the majority, if not all, of the faculty before your final critique. I recommend meeting with one faculty member a week. You can arrange appointments by emailing faculty members.

Statement on Student Behavior:

“All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment.” (See Student’s Guide Handbook, Policies and Procedures, Conduct)

Statement on Accommodations for ADA eligible students:

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact me, and

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