PLS 303 Introduction to Floral Design- 81898 & 81899

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Class: TR 3:00p-3:50p
Lab: TR 4:00p-4:50p

Course Description: (as in catalog) Hours: 3
Introduction to the history and uses of floral art in society. Principles and elements of design will be discussed and demonstrated using floral materials.

Student Learning Outcomes:
Skills:
Identify commonly used flowers/plants in floral arrangements
Create various floral arrangements
Knowledge:
Importance of holidays and special occasions to the floral industry
Proper handling of care of plant/floral material
Principles of Floral Designs
Elements of Floral Designs

Class Format:
The format for this course will vary from traditional lecture, group discussions, video presentations, group work and many hands on lab activities.

Course Information:
Text (not required)
The Art of Floral Design Third Edition
Norah T. Hunter

Final Exam
Tuesday, December 15th 1:15-3:15pm

Grading Policy
Exams (2 @ 100 points each) 200
Cumulative Final Exam 100
Flower Quizzes (5x20 points each) 100
Lab Activities (10 X 10 points each) 100
Portfolio 150
Cumulative Lab Final 50
Participation 100

Grade Distribution:
A 720-800
B 640-719
C 560-639
D 480-559
F <=479

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Course Lecture & Lab Outline
September 1&3 - Intro to Floral Design, Safety, Wiring Techniques & Bow Lab
September 8&10 - Functional Design, Corsage & Boutonniere
September 15&17 - Functional Design, Processing Flowers & Asymmetrical
September 22&24 - Design Principles & Elements, Symmetrical Fan & Triangle
Sept 29 & Oct 1 - Design Principles & Elements, Round Design
October 6&8 - Design Principles & Elements, Flat Design & Dish Gardens
October 13&15 - Design Principles & Elements, Homecoming Mums
October 20&22 - Fall into Country
October 27&29 - Important Holidays, Bud Vase & Vase
November 3&5 - Sympathy work, Funeral Sprays
November 10&12 - History of Floral Design, Wedding
November 17&19 - Wedding
November 24&26 - Foil Wraps & Thanksgiving Break
December 1&3 - Pot Décor & Wreaths
December 8&10 - Lab Final

Class Attendance Policy:
Attendance is mandatory for PLS 303. There will be hand-ons activities with fresh flowers almost every time we meet. The lab activities will not be able to be made up if missed, because I cannot guarantee fresh flowers outside of class time. You should always contact instructor ahead of time if you will miss lecture or lab that day. In the case of an excused absence, an alternative assignment or make-up will be discussed. Also, attendance is also incorporated into your participation points. If you are not in class you cannot participate.

Professionalism:
Students are expected to attend class and/or laboratory as scheduled. Their participation in class discussion and instructional activities should follow the basic principles of common courtesy and decency. Rude and disruptive behavior, as well as cheating, in any form, will not be tolerated. The use of tobacco products in the classroom, laboratory, or field trip sites is prohibited. Inappropriate conduct will not be tolerated. Failure to comply with instructor’s guidelines may result in suspension from class for the remainder of the day’s instruction. Repeat offenses may result in additional consequences.

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Students with Disabilities:
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:

Office of Student Disability Resources and Services
Texas A&M University-Commerce
Gee Library Room 132
Phone (903) 886-5150 or (903) 886-5835 Fax (903) 468-8148
StudentDisabilityServices@tamuc.edu

Office Hours:
Monday and Wednesday 1:00-5:00pm
or by appointment