

# Tennessee Tech University - School of Art, Craft & Design

ART 2040, Printmaking-Relief, MW 9-10:50, 2 credits, Fall 2022

## Instructor Information

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## Course Information

Prerequisites: ART 1010, ART 2310, or permission of the instructor.

### Texts and References

No textbook is required. Readings and references will be made available as needed.

### Course Description

Introduction to relief printmaking techniques with concentrated work in the processes of wood cut and linoleum cut.

The course also introduces collagraph, monotype, intaglio, stencil, and lithographic processes. Given that this is a required course for the Art Education degree, particular attention will be given to how printmaking may be integrated into an educational setting.

### Course Objectives/Student Learning Outcomes

- To demonstrate knowledge of printmaking terminology, methodology, and materials
- Demonstrate responsible handling of materials for safety and efficiency
- Participate in traditional critiques and informal discussion
- Develop research and initiative in studio work to further individual creative direction
- Study historical and contemporary printmakers and approaches to printmaking
- Show experimentation and risk taking in both conception and execution
- Demonstrate the use of printmaking media and processes as tools for ideation
- Demonstrate an understanding of multiple originals through the creation of varied prints using shared elements
- Develop problem solving skills in the image and object making process

### Major Teaching Methods

This is an in-person studio course. Students will be instructed through demonstration, lecture, and regular critiques.

### Course Schedule

There will be two major projects in the course, with many demonstrations and exercises in between.

The first major project is in support of Hispanic Heritage Month. We will make an edition of large prints, culminating an event on September 16<sup>th</sup> at the Craft Center. Weekly demonstrations and exercises will prepare you for the final project, a print exchange.

### Grading and Evaluation Procedures

Grades are an indication of how well you are doing in the course.

Grades will be given with regard to the following:

- Quality and improvement in your work.
- Consistent work both in class and in the studio beyond class meetings
- Consideration and development of possible solutions to a problem
- Care and maintenance of the studio and personal equipment
- Craftsmanship, competence with materials, and presentation
- Participation in discussions and critiques
- Individual research and initiative

The Hispanic Heritage Month project will be worth 25% of your grade. The final 2-part print exchange book will be worth 25% for each part. Exercises and quizzes will be worth the remaining 25%.

No incompletes will be given except in the case of an EXTREME circumstance. Incompletes are never a good idea, and do not assume that you will be granted an incomplete simply because you stop attending class or do not turn in your assignments.

KEEP ALL WORK UNTIL THE END OF THE SEMESTER. Art students should remain aware that they will need work for scholarship applications and progress reviews.

Letter Grade	Grade Range	Meaning
A	90-100	Pushed the boundaries of the assignment. Exhibiting superior craftsmanship and presentation along with evidence of independent thinking.
B	80-89	Completed the specifications of the assignment along with good craftsmanship and aesthetic development.
C	70-79	Barely completed the specifications of the assignment.
D	60-69	Attempted to satisfy the specifications of the assignment but fell short.
F	below 60	Little or no attempt made to satisfy the specifications of the project.

## Course Policies

### Student Academic Misconduct Policy

Maintaining high standards of academic integrity in every class is critical to the reputation of Tennessee Tech, its students, alumni, and the employers of Tennessee Tech graduates. The student academic misconduct policy describes the definitions of academic misconduct and policies and procedures for addressing academic misconduct at Tennessee Tech. For details, view Tennessee Tech's policy 217 – [student academic misconduct at policy central](#).

### Attendance Policy

Attendance is mandatory, and you will be expected to be in class and on time for each scheduled meeting. Extracurricular activities are not a license for absence. Consideration will be given for a death in the family and serious illness (which may be confirmed by a doctor.) Any work missed as the result of an absence **MUST BE** completed or a substitute completed. If you miss class you are still responsible for the same quality and quantity of work as if you had been present. It is your responsibility to be prepared for the next studio after your absence. Beyond two absences, there will be a grade deduction of five points per absence. Two late arrivals (15 minutes after start of class) or two early departures (15 minutes before end of class) are counted as one absence. **Students missing seven or more classes will fail the course.**

Students who are unable to attend class for an extended period of time due to an emergency/extenuating circumstance (i.e., medical illness, hospitalization, death in the family/bereavement, military or legal obligation), may contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs at [studentaffairs@tntech.edu](mailto:studentaffairs@tntech.edu) to request an absence notification.

### Class Decorum

Be respectful in speech and action. Anything that disrupts the class or hinders the learning process is unacceptable. This includes but is not limited to cell phones, texting, social media, meals, and inebriation. Such disruptions will count as half an absence each offense. Students are responsible for regular studio cleanup.

### Class Participation

Critiques are mandatory! Critiques offer immediate feedback from peers and from the professor. Failure to attend and participate in a scheduled critique will result in a lowered grade. Progress in coursework requires outside-of-class steps. Failure to complete those steps as assigned may result in your inability to proceed with in-class studio work. Such cases will result in an absence marked. An example of this is the preparation of a surface requiring overnight drying time.

### Disability Accommodation

Students with a disability requiring accommodations should contact the accessible education center (AEC). An accommodation request (AR) should be completed as soon as possible, preferably by the end of the first week of the course. The AEC is located in the Roaden

University Center, room 112; phone 931-372-6119. For details, view Tennessee Tech's policy 340 – [services for students with disabilities at policy central](#).

## Additional Resources

### Technical Help

If you are experiencing technical problems, visit the [myTech IT Helpdesk](#) for assistance.

If you are having trouble with one of the instructional technologies (i.e. Zoom, Teams, Qualtrics, Respondus, or any technology listed [here](#)) visit the [Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning \(CITL\)](#) website or call 931-372-3675 for assistance.

For accessibility information and statements for our instructional technologies, visit the [CITL's Learner Success Resource page](#).

### Tutoring

The university provides free tutoring to all Tennessee Tech students. Tutoring is available for any class or subject, as well as writing, test prep, study skills, and resume support. Appointments are scheduled, so contact the [Learning Center website](#) for more information.

### Health and Wellness

#### Counseling Center

The Counseling Center offers brief, short-term, solution-focused therapeutic interventions for Tennessee Tech University students. The staff of the Counseling Center is available to assist students with their personal and social concerns in hopes of helping them achieve satisfying educational and life experiences. To learn more or schedule an appointment, visit the [Counseling Center website](#).

#### Health Services

Health Services offers high-quality, affordable care that is accessible and promotes the health and wellness of our Tennessee Tech community. Visit the [Health Services](#) website to learn more.

#### Pandemic Protocols

Each student must take personal responsibility for knowing and following any University protocol related to pandemics and other public health events. Students are expected to follow all directives published by Tennessee Tech on its official webpage. As conditions related to the COVID-19 pandemic change, the University's COVID-19 protocols are also likely to change. Students are expected to monitor the University's official webpage to stay up to date on public health protocols.