

Creative Arts

SUA regards imagination and creativity as essential qualities for global leadership. Creative Arts courses help students develop these qualities through individual and collaborative endeavors.

All Creative Arts courses are designed to fulfill the following goals:

- 1. Direct experience of the creative process in at least one artistic medium.
- 2. Appreciation for the universal human creative spirit.
- 3. Enhancement of creative thinking and problem-solving as skills that can be transferred to other endeavors.
- 4. Creation of a non-competitive community for individual and collaborative work.

The student learning outcomes for Creative Arts courses are:

- Creative Artwork Students will demonstrate development and improvement of skills or craft in the artistic medium in which they work, including the understanding and appropriate use of materials and techniques, resulting in successful completion of their artistic end product.
- 2. Tools of Creativity Students will demonstrate development and improvement of internal skills that foster the creation of art, including expanded aesthetic appreciation, improved perceptual abilities (e.g., listening, seeing, comprehending), and flexible imagination.
- 3. General Creative Processes Students will demonstrate development and improvement of attitudes and abilities that support creative endeavor in general, such as openness to exploring new possibilities, lateral thinking/brainstorming and, in specific situations, the ability to work in teams across artistic disciplines.

Students can take additional Creative Arts courses as electives at any time; more information and the full listing of courses including those that may count toward general electives are available on the Creative Arts Program page.