

KIST DP Course Descriptions 2011-2012

Group: Group 6

Level: HL/SL

Subject: Visual Arts

Grade: 12

Unit Number: 1

Unit Title: Thematic Unit

Approximate Duration: More than three months

Key Concepts:

Students will designate a topic derived from their chosen theme to develop a project. The Key concept will emerge from the application of the creative cycle.

LP Link: Inquirer

TOK Link(s):

Students determine TOK links based on the thematic topic of any given project completed over the two year course.

Description of the Unit:

Standard Level students have approximately 6 weeks to complete each assignment, and have fewer assessment criteria than Higher Level students, with lighter numeric value. Higher Level students must complete each assignment in approximately 4 weeks, and have extra assessment criteria that carries a higher numeric value than standard level students. Standard Level students must complete an IB recommended minimum of 8 artworks, while Higher level students must complete an IB recommended minimum of 12 artworks. All summative assessment is split between an IB external examiner, and the course teacher. All units are student designed upon a theme selected at the start of the course. Students conceptualize projects, initiate research, experiments, create artwork, evaluate their outcomes, and ultimately exhibit a cohesive body of work. Students choose a variety of media to work in, and an equally diverse set of strategies, techniques and materials.

Key Knowledge/Skills Addressed:

Students will be able to apply a variety of strategies, techniques and materials to create compositions connected by a common theme.

Students will know how to apply the creative cycle including: investigation, planning, creating, and evaluation.

Main Summative Assessment of the Unit: DP Internal Assessment