northwestern university DEPARTMENT OF ART HISTORY

Quarter/Year

Course Number

Day/Time

Instructor

Winter 2017

ART-HIST 391

F 10:00-12:50

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Course Title

Undergraduate Methods Seminar



This seminar introduces the students to a range of arthistorical approaches and to the writings of key figures in the history of the discipline. We will address two basic but difficult questions: What is art history? And how did it get this way? Through a series of short writing exercises, we will examine ways of thinking and writing concretely and rigorously about works of art in different mediums, and across different cultures. Intended for undergraduate majors.

Required Textbooks

Assessments

Readings will be posted on the course website

Short weekly assignments; one 10-page final paper