

AP Summer Work 2019-2020

You will have three assignments to compete over the course of the Summer. Each piece should take 8-10 hours, including planning and sketching time. These assignments will count toward the Breadth (range of approaches) portion of your AP portfolio. These pieces are due on the first day of class Fall 2019 and will be graded, so bring them to class.

Assignment 1: Develop a landscape, interior, exterior, or cityscape.

How can I do this?

Take pictures of several viewpoints of whatever you choose. Then, research, conceptualize, and compose a drawing based on your own photographs. Use your choice of medium! Format, size, and choice between color vs. black and white are all free choice and reflect your voice and ideas. Focus on organization, contrast, proportion, and scale.

Assignment 2: Develop a figure drawing in black and white.

How can I do this?

Draw a live (clothed) figure on white paper using charcoal (either chalk, vine, or pencil charcoal). Focus on the proportion and positive/negative space in your image. Begin with 30 second sketches. Use your sketchbook so you have a record of progress! Advance to several 20 minute "sittings". You may use directional lighting from a lamp or window. Be sure to pay attention to the background – no floating figures. Again, format, size, and choice of charcoal utensil is up to you. Focus on proportion, value, and have a focal point.

Assignment 3: Design a current event info. graphic

How can I do this?

Choose a current event or issue and create an informative graphic that helps others understand this issue. For inspiration, you may want to view old political posters. When planning your design, consider the use of space and leading the viewer's eye through the information in a clear, direct way. Format, size, and medium is up to you. Focus on emphasis, balance, and movement (all principles of design).

*Please remember that AP art guidelines do not allow the use of image sourcing. All images must be original concepts. However, if you choose to source an image for assignment 3, you must significantly alter it so that it depicts your own work and point of view.