

## COURSE OUTLINE

### 1. GENERAL

<b>SCHOOL</b>	SOCIAL SCIENCES		
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	PSYCHOLOGY		
<b>LEVEL</b>	<i>Undergraduate</i>		
<b>COURSE CODE</b>	Ψ-3113	<b>SEMESTER</b>	5 <sup>o</sup>
<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	Experimental Aesthetics		
<b>TEACHING ACTIVITIES</b>		<b>WEEKLY HOURS</b>	<b>ECTS</b>
Lectures		3	6
<b>COURSE TYPE</b>	Skill Development (Seminar)		
<b>PREREQUISITE COURSES:</b>	Standard Seminar prerequisites.		
<b>INSTRUCTION/EXAM LANGUAGE:</b>	English		
<b>OFFERED TO ERASMUS STUDENTS</b>	YES		
<b>COURSE WEB PAGE (URL)</b>	<a href="https://elearn.uoc.gr/">https://elearn.uoc.gr/</a>		

### 2. LEARNING OUTCOMES

#### Learning Results

The seminar aims to present the basic experimental approach in the study of Aesthetics, from the perspective of Cognitive psychology. The experimental paradigms are analyzed extensively, as well as the data and their theoretical implications. The new field of «neuroaesthetics» and the interdisciplinary nature of the field will also be discussed.

Upon successful completion students should be able to

- Study original research papers
- Summarize papers
- Present papers
- Seek references using online databases
- Have an understanding of the basic experimental paradigms and theories in the field of Aesthetics

#### General Skills

- Search, analysis and review of data and information, using online technology.
- Designing and running a project.
- Group work
- Independent work
- Learning to think independently, creatively and deductively.

## COURSE CONTENT

1. Defining Aesthetics
2. Aesthetics as a philosophical problem
3. The idea of the «Golden Section»
4. Fechner's approach
5. Experimental paradigms
6. Neuroaesthetics
7. Cognitive Theories of Aesthetics
8. The Gestalt approach

### 3. INSTRUCTIONAL AND LEARNING METHODS - EVALUATION

<b>INSTRUCTION METHOD</b>	In class		
<b>INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES USED</b>	Use of ICT in teaching Support for learning through the E-learn online platform		
<b>TEACHING ORGANIZATION</b>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Semester Work load</i>	<i>ECTS credits</i>
	Lectures	18	0,72
	Skill Training	22	0,88
	Group assignments and exercises	65	2,60
	Independent Study	45	1,80
	<b>Course Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>STUDENT EVALUATION</b>	<p>I. Final Paper (40%)</p> <p>II. Weekly paper abstracts (30%)</p> <p>III. Individual Presentation of paper (20%)</p> <p>IV. Participation in class activities (10%)</p> <p>Evaluation language is English</p> <p>Evaluation criteria are accessible to students via the web-site of course on the UoC e-learn platform.</p>		

### 4. BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Original research papers.

