ART 111: BEGINNING **DRAWING** Fail 2000

SECTIONS: AR 11101: MWF 8-9:50 am. AR 11102: MWF 10-11:50 am. Eiben 203

INSTRUCTOR: Walter Takeda, Eiben 205

OFFICE HOURS: Afternoons - appointment at 735-4716 sage after 4 ri ngs)

COURSE OBJECTIVES: In this class, the student learns the fundamentals of drawing in a studio performance situation (6 hours a week). In order to gauge teaching effectiveness, students will be asked to draw certain situations at the beginning of the course (the "before" drawings); at the end of the specific drawing assignment, this instructed work (the "after" drawings) will be compared to the pre-instruction "before" drawing. In this effort, please fill in the attached assessment ay fan.

As each individual is different, a hard-and-fast schedule of different drawing situations is not possible. Exercises may, but not be limited to, the following:

1. THE STRAIGHT-LINE ABSTRACTIONS: "EVERYONE INTO THE DEEP END OF THE POOL"

Complex designs comprised of straight lines will be assigned to first get you acquainted with your materials, and secondly to present an "all-at-once" orchestration. You will be presented with the totality of the visual field with its elements (line, shape, space, texture, value) and principles (unity, variety, focal point, transition, repetition) instead of studying each of the parts in separate assignments.

There is no possibility of a "before" and "after" comparison, as this complex assignment requires much explanation to execute. Nonetheless, several examples may be retained for a photographic record

2. PERSPECTIVE DRAWING -"TAKING A GIANT LEAP INTO THE 15TH CENTURY"

As opposed to the complete freedom of the ladder drawings, this project is more precisely demanding and mechanical. Freehand and mechanical one- and two-point perspective systems of geometrical objects and room interiors will be rendered. A ruler will be required for some of these exercises.

Students will be asked to draw perspectival situations before instruction. At the end of the assignment, student work will be compared to the initial drawings and photographed.

3. LINE AND SHADING EXERCISES: "BACK TO DRAWING BASICS"

The suggestive power of line, thick, thin, overlapping, will be practiced. Shading techniques suggesting volume will be The vehicle for this very important aspect of drawing will be incorporated into following two assignments; Twill be an important grading criteria value (shading)

4. LIFE DRAWING

The human body is one of me most challenging and rewarding subjects to draw. Proportion and detail of the form in several simple and challenging poses will be presented. As in the next human head assignment, a goal is the knowledgeable manipulation of the abstract design elements of shape, line, texture as well as the abovementioned value (shading).

"Before" and "After" drawings will be kept and photographed for analysis of learning progress and teaching effectiveness.

5. THE HUMAN HEAD

we first draw after the instructor to acquaint ourselves with structure and detail; students then pose for each other. As a final project, we will attempt more expression and self-portraiture, trying to go beyond ab elements and principles to more personal expression and interpretation.

"Before" and "After" drawings will again be kept to be photographed for analysis.

MATERIALS NEEDED - FOR THE SECOND DAY OF CLASS! NO TEXT SO NO EXCUSES!

- 1. Newsprint drawing pads, 18x24", preferably rough; several for semester
- 2. Black Nupastel sticks (small boxful); other choices are not very desirable:

Char-Kole, Conte crayons (softest, darkest grade)

- 3. Kneaded rubber eraser and pink pearl eraser
- 4. Eagle or Berol draughting pencil or equivalent (#314 drafting)

All materials will be **obtained** to work on the second class day. Storage for the class will be provided. **Materials** may be purchased at Hawaiian Graphics, 1931 S. **Beretania**, ph 955-6749.

ATTENDANCE is mandatory in this studio class. Anything over three **unexcused** absences will **result** in a full letter grade deduction for the course. Anything over 6 unexcused absences will result in two full letter grade drops. For example, three absences and a tardy will result in a "B" being dropped to a "C". Three unexcused tardies equals a full absence. The student will telephone the instructor BEFORE CLASS of any absence; leave a message at that number if no one answers. Leaving early constitutes a tardy.

IMPORTANT: The instructor will finish the class 15 minutes before the next hour to allow for cleanup of hands and work area; please cooperate in this endeavor. Students will not start leaving or going up to the sink to clean up before the instructor states that the class is over. If you do, you will be sternly asked to leave and take an equivalent to a tardy.

DRAWING LEVEL OR **SKILL** is a subjective judgment by the instructor, who will also assess the degree of improvement attained during the course. Please keep in mind **that** the grading in this class is probably more subjective than most other courses. Those uneasy with this fact may want to opt for the credit/no credit option if this course is not being taken to **fulfill** the general education requirement or BFA requirement. Good attendance in itself is not a guarantee of a good grade.

GRADING will **generally** be done in **class**; a letter grade will be assigned at the end of various drawing **situations**. During some of these grading sessions, the instructor will not help you. There are no **examinations** as such, so your attendance and performance is absolutely essential.