

**STUDIO SYLLABUS FOR DESIGN STUDIES 302
CORE PEER MENTOR SEMINAR / DESIGN STUDIES 131**

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CLASS MEETS: Tuesdays 6:10 – 7:00 P.M.
Design Building (room posted on ISU Schedule of Classes)

OFFICE HOURS: T/TH 2:00 – 3:30, 5:00 - 6:00 (through October 16th)
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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This seminar concentrates on providing guidance and support to the Peer Mentors who have been assigned to assist instructors and students in studio sections of Design Studies 131, Design Representation. The weekly meetings will include discussions and exercises designed to help facilitate effective mentoring.

LEARNING OUTCOMES AND COURSE STRUCTURE:

The effectiveness of Peer Mentors in this course is directly related to the drawing competencies learned in Design Studies 131. One important aspect of these meetings will be to review these fundamentals and discuss various ways of assisting students enrolled in 131. The following list indicates topics to be covered during the seminar:

- Review of Sighting Techniques for Measuring Angles and Proportional Relationships
- Review of the processes of "Constructing" a drawing
- Review of Constructing Rounds
- Review of the Fundamentals of One and Two Point Linear Perspective
- Review of Drawing with Value
- Review of Drawing with Color
- Critiquing Student Work
- Fostering of Critical Awareness in 131 Students
- Awareness of Drawing Instructional Resources and Opportunities
- Providing Guidance and Advice in 131 Portfolio Student Program Applications

- Dealing with Challenging Situations, Effective Teaching Strategies
- Providing Information About Your Program to Interested Students

REQUIREMENTS:

You are required to attend your DsnS 102 section at least two hours per week. 131 Faculty will respond to an end-of-semester evaluative questionnaire regarding your performance. Unsatisfactory performance may result in your removal from the section and possible failure of the course.

All mentors working in 131 are expected to attend all evening seminar meetings. Those who are mentoring for the second time are also required to attend these seminar sessions.

Two excused absences are permitted in DsnS 131 and two are permitted in DsnS 302. Unexcused or repeated absences and poor performance in either DsnS 131 or DsnS 302 may result in DsnS 302 course failure and/or removal from your assigned DsnS 131 section.