

Basic Arch Comm I

ARCH - 1630 001

Course Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for the class.

Engagement Plan

I will respond to email within 1 day - if during Monday-Friday. I don't look at email on the weekend.

I will offer feedback on major assignments within 1 week.

The best way to contact me is via the Canvas Inbox or my SLCC email,
kevin.king@slcc.edu

Course Student Learning Outcomes

- Apply sketching skill and techniques to quickly and effectively communicate ideas in a short amount of time with clarity and correctness.
- Critically analyze when evaluating sketches to determine good sketching technique, correct perspective, and understand the expression of materials and context.
- Demonstrate the skills to sketch from life or from photograph efficiently and correctly.
- Demonstrate understanding of basic architectural communication conventions in plan, elevation, section and perspective.
- Demonstrate familiarity with the sketching tools and how to use them.
- Experiment and become proficient in color rendering, knowing how to use it to enhance ink drawn sketches.

Keys for Success (how to succeed in the course)

Stay on top of the assignments.

Don't give up if you get behind. Reach out to me and let's talk and work out a plan to get you on schedule.

Ask if you ever have any questions.

Required Textbook & Materials

Required Materials for the class:

Book:

There is no required book for the course.

Materials: (Substitutions are allowed, we will discuss in class)

- 1 – 100 pack 4"x6" Blank note cards
- 2 Wire Bound Hard Cover 4" x 6" 80 pages 70 lb Sketch Book
- 9 packs (15 cards each) Strathmore 140 lb. 4" x 6" Cold Press Watercolor Postcards
- 2 Watercolor Journals – 6"x6" - 36 sheets 140 lb wire bound
- 1 each of .05 mm, .1mm & .5 mm pens - pigment ink - archive quality - waterproof
- 1 Koi Watercolor Field Sketch Box w/ Brush Pen – 12 colors
- 1 Pencil Bag - optional
- 1 Mesh Bag - optional

Brief Description of Assignments/Exams

Sketching:

You will be doing in class and out of class (homework) sketches every week. Midterm and Finals are sketches that will be presented before the class and guest critics.

Most of the sketching will be done inside or outside of buildings. Travel is required for Midterm and Final sketch locations.

Assignment Schedule

Due Date	Assignment Name	Assignment Type	Points
	Final - Sketches/Watercolors /Digital Color	Assignment	500
	Final Project / Sketch & Drawings Check In -I	Assignment	50
	Final Project / Sketch & Drawings Check In -II	Assignment	50
	Midterm Ink Sketches & Watercolor Sketches	Assignment	200
	Roll Call Attendance	Assignment	0
8/26/25	MODULE 1 - In Class Assignment I - First Day Sketches	Assignment	6
8/28/25	MODULE 1 - In Class Assignment II - Second Day Sketches	Assignment	6
9/2/25	WEEK 2 - 5 Sketches	Assignment	10

Grading Scale

The Design Professions are highly competitive. It is important to learn to produce quality work in everything you do.

Keep up on your required sketches and take your Midterm and Final seriously.

Academic Integrity

It is imperative that your work is your own. 100% of the work you turn in must be created by you without the aid or help of AI or others.

How to Navigate to Canvas

Student Academic Calendar

As students you should be aware of all important dates in the semester, such as the day that courses begin and end, as well as the drop date and the last day to withdraw. To learn more about those dates, navigate to the Student Academic Calendar below:

[SLCC Student Academic Calendar](#)

Institutional Policies

As members of our academic community, we would like to invite you to review the Institutional Syllabus which covers important policies and procedures. This document contains important links for students on the code of student rights and responsibilities, academic integrity, and grading policies, Title IX and other important acknowledgements. By familiarizing yourself with this information, you can help us create a safe and respectful environment for everyone.

For more information, navigate to the Institutional Policies tab on the [Institutional Syllabus](#) page.

Learning Support and Tutoring Services

We are pleased to offer a range of tutoring and learning support services to help you achieve your academic goals. Whether you need assistance with a specific subject or want to improve your study skills, you have many options for tutoring or other support.

To learn more about the services we offer and how to access them, visit the [Institutional Syllabus](#) page under the Tutoring and Learning Support tab. We encourage you to take advantage of these resources to help you succeed in your studies. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a tutoring session, please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you in any way we can.

Advising and Counseling Support Services

At our institution, we are committed to supporting your academic and personal growth. That's why we offer a range of advising and counseling services to help you navigate the challenges of college life. To learn more about the resources available to you and how to access them, visit the [Institutional Syllabus](#) page under the Advising and Counseling Support Services tab. Our advising team and the support centers across campus are here to support you in achieving your goals and overcoming any obstacles you may face.