Preliminary Web Course Description

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Course Instructor: Troy Hourie

Course Format:

Brief Course Synopsis:

This course introduces students to scholarly research and writing in the discipline of Theatre Studies through variable-topic theoretical inquiry and secondary research. Emphasis will be placed on the application of theory to analysis, the use of evidence, the development of a research question and the practice of scholarly writing. Using the libretto and score for a musical, students will be introduced to the research practices engaged by theatre production teams to produce a show. Students will explore dramaturgical methods producing both text and visual based research to reveal their own interpretation of the script.

Methods of Evaluation and Weight:

- Critical Analysis Paper: 25%
- Scene Breakdown: 10%
- Preliminary Visual Research Packet: 15%
- Final Presentation: 10%
- Final Research Book: 30%
- Participation: 10%

This is subject to change.

Texts and/or Resources Required (e.g. Internet access, specific textbook title, lab kit, etc.):

- Textbook: What is Scenography 2 by Pamela Howard
- Script: Nevermore: The Life and Mysterious Death of Edgar Allan Poe
- Art supplies as required to complete projects

Other information that you wish to share about the course (optional):
Students will explore research for scenic, lighting, costume, media and sound designs.