



SLCA SYLLABUS 2018-2019

INTRODUCTION TO GRAPHIC DESIGN

Mission Statement: SouthLake Christian Academy exists for the sake of God's glory and mission; proclaiming the gospel and discipling the whole person in all aspects of God's reality.

Course Description: Introduction to Graphic Design is a course set up to teach students about form and message development with an emphasis on visual concepts and digital design. This course will include lectures, group discussions, presentations and creative work. Participation in discussion and critique is vital to the success of this class. Class assignments will include doing research, reading from handouts, making presentations, and completing digital projects.

Course Objectives:

The goal of this course is to further your understanding of the basic objectives, principles, and methods used in graphic design. The projects are designed to provide a range of opportunities for creative problem solving within practical constraints, and to give students a basic understanding of digital design tools. Students will also learn how to build a professional portfolio.

Required Material:

USB drive at least 8 Gb

Evaluation:

The course will be evaluated as follows:

- **Homework & class work** refer to the school policy.
- **Projects** will make up 70% of the grade. Projects will be due at the end of each quarter, at least four per quarter.
- **Quizzes** will make up 20% of the grade. Quizzes may cover weekly material covered in class.
- **Extra Credit** will be available at teacher's discretion.

Honor Code:

Students will abide by the honor code statement "I shall neither give nor receive help on assignment" for all assignments unless specifically exempted by the instructor. Violations of the honor code pledge will result in a zero for the assignment; actions will follow the school's policy on cheating. Examples of violations to this policy include (but are not limited to) giving or receiving help on any in-class or take-home test, essay, or quiz, plagiarism of material on take-home essays, and discussion of any quiz, test, or essay questions with students who have not yet completed that assignment.

Classroom Expectations:

- Follow the rules and procedures listed in the SouthLake handbook.
- Respect your teacher and other classmates. No talking while teacher is talking or while others are presenting their material in class.
- Be in class when the bell rings. Tardiness will be tracked by the front office.
- No food, drinks, or gum in the classroom with the exception of water in a clear, squirt bottle.
- Be prepared for class. Always bring required materials.

Consequences:

- **Proper classroom behavior is expected at all times.**
- First offence will be a warning.
- Second offence student sent to office.