NIRMA UNIVERSITY

Institute:	INSTITUTE OF DESIGN
Name of Programme:	BACHELOR OF DESIGN
Course Code:	
Course Title:	Visualisation and Narratives
Course Type:	(Core/ Value Added Course/ Departmental
	Elective/ Institute Elective/ University Elective/
	Open Elective Any other)
Year of introduction:	Academic Year 2024-25

Credit Scheme

L	T	Practical component		\mathbf{C}		
		LPW	PW	W	S	
1			4			3

Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs):

At the end of the course, the student will be able to:

- 1. Develop visualization skills and learn to convey narratives effectively. BL 1 & 2
- 2. Analyse visual narratives (film, graphic novel, or photo series) in connection with the theoretical constructs.

BL 4, 5

- 3. Demonstrate understanding of theoretical foundations of visual story telling. BL 2, 3
- 4. Create compelling visual narratives to depict events, communicate, evoke experiences and emotions.

BL 3, 6

Contents

Total Teaching hours: 75

Units	Contents	Teaching hours
Unit 1	Visualisation Tools	20
	Drawing for illustration	
	Fundamentals of photography	
	Basics of Typography	
Unit 2	Fundamentals of Visual Storytelling	15
	Genres of stories and modes of storytelling	
	Elements of Visual Narrative: Plot, Characters, setting,	
	conflict, and resolution. Linear, non-linear, interactive	
	narratives	
	Points of view	
Unit 3	Case Studies and Analysis	15
	Case studies: Films, literature, visual communication,	
	visual art	
	Analysis of visual narratives (Films, comics, photo	
	series, journey maps, product launches, storyboards,	
	film posters, Folk traditions, Performing arts. etc.)	
Unit 4	Integrating Theoretical Constructs into Visual	25

Projects/Case Based Learning		
Application of foundational theories of narratives		
through:		
i.	Single frame visual narrative: Posters, Visual	
	articulation of idioms and proverbs	
ii.	Multi-frame visual narrative: storyboarding, photo	
	essays, metamorphosis, visual articulation of a	
	process, illustrated lectures, etc.	

Self Study			
Suggested Readings/	1. Adams, A. (2013). Ansel Adams: 400 Photographs. Ansel		
References	Adams.		
	2. Berger, J. (1972). Ways of Seeing. Penguin Books.		
	3. Mathew, D. John, <i>Principles of Design through Photography</i> ,		
	Publisher NID.		
	4. McCloud, S. (2008). Understanding Comics: Storytelling		
	Secrets of Comics, Manga and Graphic Novels . United		
	States: Harper Perennial.		
	5. Rai. R (2007). Raghu Rai's India: Reflections in Black and White. Penguin Books.		
	6. Szarkowski. J. (2007) <i>The Photographer's Eye</i> . The Museum		
	of Modern Art, New York.		
	<u>Viewing list</u>		
	Children of the Forest - An illustrated documentation on the		
	Halakki tribe by Shraddha Vaikunth Prabhu and Prof. Arun		
	Mascarenhas IDC, IIT Bombay.		
	https://www.dsource.in/case-study/children-forest/case-study-slid e-show		
	Zoo-mates-Graphic novel on the impact of hostel life on the		
	behaviour and personalities of the students by Utkarsh		
	Dhillon and Prof. Sudesh Balan IDC, IIT Bombay.		
	https://www.dsource.in/case-study/zoo-mates/play-book		
	TedEd: How to build a fictional world - Kate Messner.		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQTQSbjecLg		
	The Story of Stuff with Annie Leonard.		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9GorqroigqM		
Suggested field	Field visits for photo narratives: Narratives showing process &		
visits	making (Craft Process, Manufacturing process, Production		
	process, Making Process)		
	Field visit to create thematic photo essays on any historic		
	architecture, prolific person's life, revolutionary product, etc.		
	Field visit to a museum to understand narrativizing collections for		
	visitors		

Unit 4	Simple spatial design problems	30
	Exploration of spatial qualities like spatial enclosure,	
	depth, volume, view, orientation, etc. and tectonic	
	characteristics like form, surfaces, material, shape,	
	texture, etc. by transforming structures into spaces.	
	Impact of the materials and space on human	
	behaviour and psyche.	

	T		
Self-Study			
Suggested Readings/ References	 Ching, F., Ching, F. D. K., Adams, C. (2001). Building Construction Illustrated. Germany: Wiley. Dunn, N. (2014). Architectural Modelmaking. United Kingdom: Laurence King Publishing. Ranjan, M. P., Iyer, N., Pandya, G. (1986). Bamboo and Cane Crafts of Northeast India. India: Development Commissioner of Handicrafts, Government of India. 		
	Viewing list		
	PVCPipe Projects https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a0ZEWjg59E8&list=PLkh-a_dZqA2pENSl4-t6i9l4DZTDO5nOeJ&ab_channel=Thaitrick		
	10 Eco-Friendly Building Materials https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bsQBSVJoV04&ab_channed=GoingGreen		
	Working With Bamboo for Models Making https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S5tL-RuRLDM&ab_channel=BambooU		
	Online Resources Core77 - Design Blog (For Good Design Project Globally): https://www.core77.com/		
Suggested List of Assignments			
Suggested Case List			
Suggested field visits	Visit to Sunday Market, Ahmedabad Visit to Mangalbag Bucky Dome, Ahmedabad		

w.e.f. Academic Year 2024-25 and onwards