Teaching Load Statement for Faculty in the Department of Art and Art History

Studio Art/Design: Full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty are expected to carry an average annual teaching load of approximately 15 credit hours, or 5, three-credit courses in a 9 month year. Generally, faculty teach a 3/2 or 2/3 load. Faculty do not receive formal teaching load credit for supervising individual directed studies projects, graduate essays, or thesis projects. MFA studio courses and MFA committee work are also not credited toward the teaching load. This teaching load has been in effect since WSU changed from a quarter system (A&AH, 2/2/2 load) to a semester system, ~1985.

Art History: Full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty are expected to carry an average annual teaching load of approximately 12 credit hours, or 4, three-credit courses in a 9 month year. Faculty generally teach a 2/2 load. Faculty do not receive formal teaching load credit for supervising individual directed studies projects, graduate essays, or thesis projects. This teaching load has been in effect since 2001.

Lecturers and Senior Lecturers: Full-time, non-tenure-track, faculty in art history and in studio art/design typically have a higher teaching load than do tenured and tenure-track faculty. Lecturers usually teach a 3/3 load.

Teaching Load Exceptions:

1) The department chair is usually assigned, one, three-credit course.

2) The department associate chair is usually assigned two or three, three-credit courses.

3) The department graduate officer receives a one-course reduction per academic year.

4) Full-time faculty members who undertake extraordinary administrative assignments may receive a one-course reduction (as outlined in the University Policy for Establishing Workloads for Faculty).

5) The CFPCA course buy-out policy applies to faculty members requesting a reduction in teaching load because of research responsibilities.

Overall Workload: The teaching load is balanced with research activities as well as service responsibilities in accordance to the departmental promotion and tenure factors, college policy, the university promotion and tenure factors, and university policy.

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