# **Aesthetic Appreciation and Creation**

### **Introduction:**

This course not only explains aesthetics and aesthetic education theory, but also analyzes the phenomenon and form of beauty. It aims to help students understand aesthetic ideal and interest, cultivate their aesthetic care, and increase their aesthetic knowledge and improve their aesthetic accomplishment and quality in this "journey of beauty". The course consists of ten parts:

The first chapter aims to inspire students' thinking and stimulate them to love beauty and want to pursue beauty, appreciate beauty, create beauty and convey beauty.

The second chapter is about the origin and context of theoretical knowledge and development of Chinese and Western aesthetics and aesthetic education, then forming the basic theoretical framework and theoretical background;

Chapter 3 to chapter 12, take specific forms of artistic expression as examples, such as calligraphy, poetry, tea art, painting, sculpture, artifacts, architecture, city, music, dance and so on ,in order to improve students' aesthetic appreciation ability, to grasp the method of art appreciation, to shape perfect personality, guide students to have lofty spiritual pursuit, and achieve a beautiful life and a beautiful university.

The course is taught in English with bilingual subtitles and more than 110 lecture videos plus several practical videos. As a supplement to the course content, the actual operation video vividly presents the contents of the class and increases the interest of learning.

This course is aimed at a wide range of audiences, including Chinese university students, international students in China, and people from all walks of life who are interested in aesthetics and aesthetic education.

### **Objectives**

 Through the study of this course, students can systematically understand the basic theoretical knowledge of aesthetics and aesthetic education, and master the general laws of aesthetic activities.

- Strengthen the training of students' thinking ability and method consciousness, and consciously apply it to the aesthetic appreciation of art and life practice, cultivate and improve the aesthetic accomplishment, aesthetic sentiment and aesthetic creativity.
- To train students to have a deeper understanding of the essence of traditional Chinese art, establish correct cultural views and cultural confidence, and shape perfect personalities.
- With the help of new media means, adapt to the changes in the mode of education and thinking brought by the media reform, and achieve the optimal teaching effect under the new media environment.

#### **Instructor**

Qiu Jing, professor, doctoral supervisor, senior crafts artist, and university-awarded famous teacher of College of Art and Design, Nanchang University. She is the leader of a provincial high-level undergraduate teaching team based at Nanchang University, an outstanding ideological and political teacher awarded by the Ministry of Education, an ideological and cultural creativity expert recognized by Jiangxi Provincial Government Propaganda Department, and a proposition expert of National Occupation Skill Appraisal. She is also a member of Jiangxi Provincial Art Education Committee, China Fashion Designers Association, China Fashion Color Association, "1% Project" Fund Council, and Jiangxi Provincial Professional and Technical Qualification Evaluation Committee.

**Tao Jingyu,** female,PhD candidate, School of Humanities, Nanchang University. Her research interests include linguistics and cultural management. Participated in several national and provincial projects. She has two years overseas Chinese teaching experience and has won many honors. She won the title of "Excellent Instructor" in Jiangxi Provincial Chinese Language Competition for Foreign Students for four times.

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**Peng Diyun,**Doctor of Management, Professor,doctoral supervisor at the School of Economics and Management, Nanchang University,the main research areas are macro-economy and policy, regional and industrial economic management, enterprise strategic management and international business management. Chinese traditional wisdom on management and tea culture lovers, innovative entrepreneurship tutor for college students, expert of Jiangxi provincial think-tank.

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#### Schedule

This course will be started on August 30th, 2021 and will be held about 16weeks.

## **Course Methodology**

This course adopts a variety of teaching methods, using inspiration, discussion, case analysis and other specific teaching methods to guide students to actively think about the theme of "aesthetic".

This course allows students to arrange their own learning time, so that they can arrange their learning plan more scientifically.

Each class is generally less than 20 minutes, and the teaching is focused, concise and clear. A large number of pictures and videos are included in the course, so that students can understand the learning content more intuitively. The questions and discussions after class are conducive to consolidating the learned knowledge and stimulating students' motivation to further think and study independently.

## **Learning Requirements**

Learners are required to conduct online video learning, complete related assignments and tests, and actively participate in online forum activities.

## **Course Contents**

章节 顺序	章节名称(英 译)	章节介绍	知识点英译
1	Chapter One: Encounter Beauty	This chapter is the introduction of the whole course, mainly to guide students to understand the meaning of "beauty", so as to lead to and other concepts. And put forward "aesthetic throughout all aspects of life" the basic consensus.	Aesthetic aesthetic education
2	Chapter Two: Looking back at Beauty	This chapter mainly introduces the origin of Chinese and Western aesthetic thought and the development history of aesthetic education, thus forming the theoretical basis of this course.	2.1 Wake up the discovery of beauty 2.2 Introduction of western aesthetic thought and aesthetic education thought 2.3 Introduction of Chinese traditional aesthetic thought and aesthetic education thought 2.4 The growth and cultivation of modern youth and aesthetic education
3	Chapter Three: The beauty of Calligraphy	This chapter mainly discusses the history of Chinese character, the development of Chinese character, the writing tool and so on. Based on the culture and art of Chinese characters, it makes a detailed and deep appreciation from calligraphy, seal cutting and design, and guides the students to appreciate and discover the	<ul> <li>3.1 The beauty of Chinese characters</li> <li>3.2 The beauty of calligraphy art</li> <li>3.3 The beauty of seal carving art</li> <li>3.4 The beauty of modern design of Chinese characters</li> </ul>

		beauty of Chinese characters from	
		the aesthetic point of view.	
		This chapter is mainly	4.1Elegant songs through
4	Chapter Four:	represented by the Book of Songs,	thousands of years
	The beauty of	Ci of Chu, Poetry of Tang Dynasty,	4.2The Tang poems of the
	Poetry	and Ci of Song Dynasty, so as to	prosperous times
	Tocary	feel the beauty of traditional	4.3Whisper of shallow sing song
		Chinese literature.	ci
		Based on the understanding of	
		the origin, culture, variety and	
		drinking of tea, this chapter	
		further introduces the beauty of	5.1A magical Oriental leaf
	Chapter Five:	tea art and its six essential	5.2 The six main elements of Tea
5	The beauty of	factors. Finally, taking some	Art
	the Tea Art	famous teas as examples, we	5.3Tasting and feeling of tea
	Chapter Six: The Beauty of Painting	appreciate the whole process of	
		brewing tea in detail, thus has the	
		more direct-viewing feeling to the	
		tea skill beauty.	
		Based on the understanding of	
		the origin, culture, variety and	
		drinking of tea, this chapter	
		further introduces the beauty of	6.1The Beauty of Painting
		tea art and its six essential	6.2Appreciation of Traditional
6		factors. Finally, taking some	Chinese painting
		famous teas as examples, we	6.3Appreciation of Western
		appreciate the whole process of	painting
		brewing tea in detail, thus has the	
		more direct-viewing feeling to the	
		tea skill beauty.	
	Chapter Seven: The beauty of the sculpture	this chapter mainly talk about the	7.1Cultural language of sculpture
		Cultural language of sculpture	design
		desig,then take the artistic	7.2The artistic language of figure
7		language of figure sculpture	sculpture
		and religious sculpture as	7.3Art language of religious
		examples,guide students to feel	sculpture
		the beauty of sculpture art.	
8	Chapter Eight:	This chapter mainly discusses the	8.1 The beauty of the Utensil

	The beauty of	beauty of the Utensil, focusing on	8.2 the ancient Chinese, Greek
	the Porcelain	the ancient Chinese, Greek and	and Roman Utensil design culture
		Roman Utensil to appreciate the	
		beauty of their design culture.	
9	Chapter Nine: The beauty of Architecture	This chapter begins with The beauty of traditional Chinese architecture, then introduces the beauty of six schools of Chinese architecture and the beauty of western architectural.	9.1 The beauty of traditional Chinese architecture 9.2 The beauty of six schools of Chinese architecture 9.3 The beauty of western architectural 9.4 Comparison of the beauty of Chinese and Western architecture
10	Chapter Ten: The beauty of City	This chapter, in the form of the two parts above and below, focuses on the introduction of urban design and how to find the beauty of urban design.	10.1 The beauty of urban design(1) 10.2 The beauty of urban design(2)
11	Chapter Eleven: The beauty of Music	This chapter mainly appreciates the beauty of music, and Chinese traditional musical instruments as an aesthetic object, detailed understanding of the development of musical instruments and aesthetic characteristics.	11.1 the beauty of traditional Chinese music
12	Chapter Twelve : The beauty of Dance	This chapter mainly appreciates the beauty of dance, after introducing the basic types of dance, mainly from the aesthetic point of view to teach how to appreciate the beauty of dance.	12.1 The beauty of Dance
13	Chapter Thirteen: The Beauty of Sports	This chapter mainly discusses the beauty of sports and the importance of sports to healthy life.	13.1 The Beauty of Sports
14	Chapter Fourteen:	This chapter discusses the beauty	14.1The Beauty of Labour

	The Beauty of Labour	of Labor, and through several dedicated workers to illustrate that labor is the source of wealth, but also the source of happiness.	
15	Chapter Fifteen: The beauty of Science and Technology	This chapter discusses about the beauty of Science and Technology And takes animation design, industrial design, costume design and many other designs as examples to further enjoy the beauty of Science and Technology	15.1 The beauty of Science and Technology(1) 15.2 The beauty of Science and Technology(2)
16	Chapter Sixteen: Aesthetics&Cre ation	This chapter combines the aesthetic and creative as the end of the course, summarizes the different aesthetic ways, and takes the creative aesthetic as the end of aesthetic education.	Aesthetics&Creation