

**Number & Title of Course:**

ARC6936 Research Methods, 2 cr hrs

**Course Description:**

Research Methods introduces students to research in the arts: a critical process of systematic inquiry for the purpose of uncovering knowledge.

**Course Goals & Objectives:**

- Students will formulate a clear and systematic approach to research.
- Students will familiarize themselves with the various systematic approaches to research, historical, experimental, comparative, qualitative, and so on, in order to determine which method or combination of methods will best support their arguments.
- Students will identify the theoretical context of their work, identify a problem within that context, and propose a course of action to address the problem.
- Students will gather relevant sources, identify key individuals, regions, historical or regional data

**Student Performance Criterion/a addressed (list number and title):**

A.3, Investigative Skills; A.6, Use of Precedents

**Topical Outline:**

Faculty Presentations 10%, Oral Presentations 80%, Written Proposals 10%

**Prerequisites:**

ARC 6311- Intro to Comm Design; ARC 5364-Adv Design A; ARC 5365-Adv Design B

**Textbooks/Learning Resources:**

Readings provided by instructor.

**Offered:**

Spring Semester, each year

**Faculty assigned:**

Mark Weston (F/T)