

# Duncan University Essentials—Class Schedule



Working with clay has been a part of civilization since its beginning. Through the centuries, what once was an art derived from necessity gave way to ceramic pieces that were sought after not only for function, but also for their beauty. Ceramics is as important to us today as it has ever been in both function and beauty.

Course Overview Essentials 101: Earth, Color and Fire is designed to introduce the process of decorative ceramics (from the earthen clay state to the fired piece) and color theory. Students will create decorative low-fire ceramic pieces using slip, ceramic molds, underglazes and a kiln.

Upon course completion, students will have essential knowledge required to successfully create a variety of pieces from quality cone 04 ceramic bisque.



Course Overview Essentials 102: Seasonal Colors is designed to introduce the process of decorative painting, glaze layering and the use of specialty products. Students will learn sponging, stenciling, blending and use of blocking agents.

Upon course completion, students will have essential knowledge required to successfully use and apply a variety of Duncan products, including, EZ Strokes Translucent Underglaze, Concepts Underglaze for Bisque, Envision Glazes, Satin Glazes, Wax Resist and Mask N Peel.



Course Overview Essentials 103: Classic Colors is designed to introduce the additional glaze products and overglaze products. Students will learn brush stroke work, to properly apply decals, fired gold and mother of pearl.

Upon course completion, students will have essential knowledge required to successfully use and apply additional Duncan Products, including, Crystal Glazes, Crackle Glazes, how to band on a banding wheel, apply Premium Gold, Mother of Pearl and decals.



Course Overview Essentials 104: Acrylic Colors is designed to introduce all Duncan Non Fired products. Students will learn how dry brush, tole paint, layer colors and much, much more.

Upon course completion, students will have essential knowledge required to successfully use, opaque stains, translucent stains, quick crackle, metallic, pearls and non fired snow.

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