Course Syllabus

1. Program of Study:

Bachelor of Arts Program

(Communication Design)

Faculty/Institute/College:

Mahidol University International College

2. Course Code:

ICCD 240

Course Title:

Typography I

3. Number of Credits:

4 (0-8-4) (Lecture-Lab-Self study)

4. Prerequisite(s):

ICCD 230

5. Type of Course:

Required Course

6. Trimester/Academic Year:

Trimester I / Year 2

7. Conditions:

Enrollment cap: 20 students

8. Course Description:

Study of the use of typography in the overall design concept: type as communicative and creative element, organizational skills necessary for clear communication, and formative aspects of typographic symbols and arrangement.

9. Course Objectives:

After successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 9.1 Understand the evolution of letterforms and the history of typography.
- 9.2 Understand the structure of letterforms and categorize differences and similarities between typefaces.
- 9.3 Understand the relationship between typographic form and the conveyance of information.
- 9.4 Understand typographic composition and visualize typographic ideas in designing informational communication.
- 9.5 Promote and support ideas through critical evaluation and reasoning.
- 9.6 Use current terminology related to printing and digital processes and production.
- 9.7 Understand the design process: design problem-solving and solution-seeking.



10. Course Outline

	Topics	Hours			
Week		Lecture	Lab	Self study	Instructor
1	Intro to Graphic Design; Typography	0	8	4	DB
2	Lecture - History and Anatomy of Type Lab - Assign project#1, Critique and work session for project#1	0	8	4	DB
3	Lecture - Type Spacing Lab - Critique and work session for project#1	0	8	4	DB
4	Lecture - Principle of 2D for Typographic Composition Lab - Assign project#2, Critique and work session for project#2	0	8	4	DB
5	Lecture - Readability and Legibility Lab - Critique and work session for project#2	0	8	4	DB
6	Lecture - Typographic Composition and Information Lab - Assign project#3, Critique and work session for project#3	0	.8	4	DB
7	Lecture - Typographic Arrangement Lab - Critique and work session for project#3	0	8	4	DB
8	Lab - Critique and work session for project#3	0	8	4	DB
9	Lecture - Icon, Symbol, Sign, Logo, Mark and their Relationship to Typographic Composition Lab - Assign project#4	0	8	4	DB
10	Lecture - Typographic Syntax Lab - Critique and work session for project#4	0	8	4	DB
11	Lab - Critique and work session for project#4	0	8	4	DB
12	Final Exam				
Total		0	88	44	

11. Teaching Methods

- 11.1 Lecture/Lab operation
- 11.2 Group discussion and critique session
- 11.3 Self-study

12. Teaching Media

- 12.1 Textbook
- 12.2 Supplementary handouts



- 12.3 Presentation of images
- 12.4 Visual references

13. Measurement and Evaluation of Student Achievement

Students will demonstrate their ability to:

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Student achievement will be evaluated by means of:

Projects and Exercises

80%

Presentation and Participation in Class

Discussions and Critiques

20%

Total

100%

Student achievement will be graded according to College and University standard using the symbols A, B+, B, C+, C, D+, D and F.

Students must have attended at least 80% of the total class hours of this course.

14. Course Evaluation

- 14.1 Students' achievement as indicated in number 13 above.
- 14.2 Students' satisfaction towards teaching and learning of the course using questionnaires.

15. References

Textbook:

Carter, R., Day, B., & Meggs, P. (2002). *Typography design: Form and communication*. New Jersey: John Wiley & Son, Inc.

Others:

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- 6) McCreight, T. (1996). Design language. New York: Brynmorgen Press, Inc.
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- 8) Ruder, E. (2001). Typographie. Switzerland: Heer Druck AG.
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- 10) Wong, W. (1972). *Principles of two-dimensional design*. New York: Van Nostrand Reinhold.

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