## Sequential Arts (IL210, 3 credits)

## Course Description:

Through a planned series of lectures, demonstrations and assignments, students will explore the medium of comics as a vehicle for storytelling and narrative communication. Using a combination of typography and imagery, student will complete assignments that will further their understanding of panel and page composition, controlling pace and mood of a story, and writing and character development. During the completion of these projects, students will be introduced to various techniques that include a mixture of computer based media and traditional media to develop preliminary sketches and complete finished pages. Emphasis will be placed on story development and the idea of the artist as creator.

Prerequisite: Illustration I

Students will:

1. Conceptualize sequential storytelling as a cultural and artistic process. (PC 5)
2. Explore various layout solutions and page paneling. (PC 1, 2)
3. Develop their own character designs, using illustration skills and techniques. (PC 1, 2, 3)
4. Investigate the potential ways in which both text and image can be combined in the narrative process. (PC 1)
5. Explore the variety of ways in which one image can relate to the next in the story process. (PC 3

Required Texts: There is no required text for this course.
Supplementary Readings: (Can be found in the library) Supplies:

- The Illustration majors work in media of their choice, and use the materials and supplies, which they already have for the Media and Methods classes, and what is included in the art kit. Most of the final assignments are in digital print format, on a good quality inkjet paper. Estimated cost for digital printing, based on $\$ 3$ per sq/ft. approximately $\$ 150$


## Supplemental Supplies:

- Materials, accessories and supplies used in Media and Methods, and art kit.

Total estimated cost: \$250

- Wacom Intuos tablet (small or medium) or equivalent (optional)

Total estimated cost: $\$ 70$ (small size) or $\$ 170$ (medium size)

- Apple MacBook Pro laptop, See laptop and Software requirements, (optional but highly recommended)

