Studio Art is an advanced art class designed for those students who are interested in pursuing the study of art or design at the college level. This course is also for students who exhibit a high degree of interest and/or aptitude and wish to continue to develop their artistic and design abilities for personal enrichment. Studio Art presumes an intermediate to advanced painting and drawing ability. Students who enroll in this class have typically taken Art 1. Studio Art is a comprehensive art course that is predominantly studio (production) oriented, but also integrates aesthetics, art criticism, and art history as they relate to the various advanced studio projects. This art course provides students with an in-depth study of drawing, painting, and two and threedimensional design. Research and analysis of works created by students as well as works by master artists of various cultures is required. Studio Art provides students the opportunity to grow and learn in a serious studio environment surrounded with peers who are committed to developing themselves as young artists and designers. This course allows students to broaden their understanding of art from other cultures, refine their ability to communicate in a variety of media, think and express themselves critically, strategize creative and novel solutions to problems, and understand that a given objective can have more than one solution. Students will work with the Instructor to build a diverse, high quality and individualized Art Portfolio that will prepare them for rigorous college and university admissions processes.