

Course: Observational Perspective (Online)

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Zoom Meeting Days/Dates: 10 wks, Thursdays, 2/12/2026 - 4/16/2026

Zoom Meeting Time: 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Includes additional asynchronous content on Canvas.

Materials:

- Sketchbook and sketching materials
- Large drawing pad (18" x 24" Strathmore 400 series suggested)
- Masonite drawing board with clips
- Pencils in range of hardnesses (4H, 2H, HB, 2B, 4B, 6B)
- Erasers, including a kneaded type
- A good sharpener that brings the graphite pencil to a fine point. You can also choose to use a penknife and sandpaper.
- Optional straightedge (18", 24", or 36")
- Sighting stick: thin, straight measuring implement, 6 – 12 in, such as a pencil (above), brush handle, thin dowel, knitting needle, or barbecue skewer with sharp point shaved off

Note on Online Courses: Zoom with Canvas

Thank you for registering for this online course. This course will take place live via Zoom, a free videoconferencing service. You will only need a computer with a high-speed internet connection to participate, as well as a means of photographing your work to upload -- a cell phone camera will suffice. All Zoom meetings take place in Eastern Time.

You will receive instructions* for accessing *Zoom* videoconferencing sessions in a reminder email two days before the course start date. *Please be sure to check your email junk/spam folder.* We ask that you please take advantage of the *Zoom* tutorial before the course begins. Basic training sessions for *Zoom* will be made available at the start of the course as well. Review PAFA's list of [Zoom Technical Requirements](#) for additional information.

* *Please note:* The passcode included in the instructions for entering *Zoom* sessions is case-sensitive and should include no added punctuation at the end. If you are entering the passcode correctly and it is not being accepted as valid, try clearing your internet browsing history and restarting your device before re-entering it. Students having continued difficulty accessing *Zoom* due to issues with their device or internet connection, may wish to use an alternate device, such as a smartphone, to enter a particular day's session.

You will also receive an invitation to join *Canvas*, PAFA's online learning management system, on, or shortly before, the course start date. Your username is the email you registered with, and you will need to set up your password. *Canvas* is the website where the syllabus, assignments, videos, and feedback will be. You can always sign-in to *Canvas* and find all of the information you need about your class. For *Canvas* instructions (following acceptance of the emailed invitation to log in), see PAFA's [Canvas FAQs](#).

Please contact us the any questions at continuinged@pafa.edu.