Department of Art, California State University, Sacramento

ART MODEL: JOB DESCRIPTION

Classified as “Casual Worker/Model,” Art Models pose for the following Art Department classes: ART 123 (Figure Drawing), 125A (Life Painting), 125B (Life Studio), and 180 (Figure Sculpture). Each of these classes meets for approximately six hours per week throughout the academic semester, usually in two 170-minute sessions (such as 2:00-4:50 p.m.). Occasionally an Art Model may be hired to pose for one or two sessions of another Art class.

Typically, one Art Model will work for an entire class session, whether for approximately three hours (in the case of a class meeting twice a week) or for approximately six hours (in the case of a class meeting once a week). Most modeling is in the nude and involves a variety of poses sustained over varying periods of time. Skills required include the ability to hold poses requested by the Art instructor over specified periods of time (short gestural or action poses, longer poses for more detailed studies of the figure, etc.), patience, and discretion. Because of the types of poses requested, models generally need to be agile and physically fit.