

My Visual Story:

Comics and Personal Storytelling

Your FIG Facilitators!

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Objectives:

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- Reading and analyzing *The Best We Could Do*
- Learning more about the UO community
- Having fun! Making comics and zines!
- Connecting content from 'Intro to Comics' and 'Contemporary Asian Art and Architecture'



And that if I could see
Viet Nam as a real
place and not a symbol
of something lost...



...and
learn to
love
them
better.

My Visual Story: Comics and Personal Storytelling
Meeting Day/Time: Fridays, 12:00-1:20
Room: Living and Learning Center (LLCN) 123
Course Site: <https://blogs.uoregon.edu/myvisualstory/>

In this FIG we will explore together personal and political narratives found in graphic novels, with specific focus on the graphic novel *The Best We Could Do: An Illustrated Memoir* by Thi Bui, and we will learn more about Asian history and heritage, and creating our own artistic personal stories!

Schedule (Note: any of this may change due to scheduling needs with possible guests and/or activities. Also note that within each session we will have other activities focused on building community and introducing you to your university academic career, stay tuned):

Week 1 = Intro: Visual Literacy & Personal Narratives

Week 2 = Book Discussion: Part 1: The Personal + Activities and Museum Field Trip

Week 3 = Comics, graphic novels, and zines

Week 4 = Book Discussion: Part 2: The Historical + Studio Work

Week 5 = Asian heritage and history on a personal stage + 2-year Plan

Week 6 = Book Discussion: Part 3: The Journey + Studio Work

Week 7 = Studio time!




Week 8 = Book Discussion: Part 4: Wrap Up Thoughts

Week 9 = Holiday!

Week 10 = Showcasing our work week!

Note #3: We will have other events and socials to attend. These events and socials will be organized by the students and FA.


Expectations:

-  Instructor and FA will facilitate a dynamic and rigorous learning environment.
-  Students will bring in their experiences and be open to sharing with, and learning from each other.
-  Everyone will be ready to discuss and be creative.







Grading:

This course is graded P/N and your term grade will be calculated in terms of your achievements awarded (to be continued!!!)

Requirements for completion of class:

-  Individual Student Inventory
-  Your Own Mini-comic
-  Individual Two-Year Academic Plan
-  Discussion Prompts Journal
-  Lots of contributions!

Resources:

-  UO First-Year Programs: <https://fyp.uoregon.edu/>
-  UO Common Reading: <https://commonreading.uoregon.edu/>
-  UO Comics and Cartoon Studies Minor: https://comics.uoregon.edu/?page_id=2
-  UO Accessible Education Center: <https://aec.uoregon.edu/>
-  UO Counseling Center: <https://counseling.uoregon.edu/>
-  UO Tutoring and Learning Ctr: <https://tlc.uoregon.edu/>