

Icon Painting I

COURSE OVERVIEW

This is a practical course on icon painting. Students will be introduced to traditional materials and techniques of icon painting and will gain practical experience of drawing and painting icons using traditional artistic media.

GOALS

After successful completion of the course students are expected to be able to:

- Demonstrate the knowledge of the major stages in the process of traditional icon-painting
- Demonstrate familiarity with major traditional icon painting techniques
- Produce painted icons (beginner-level), following traditional (Byzantine) prototypes

COURSE STRUCTURE

(the schedule may be slightly adjusted during the course)

Week 1	Introduction. Place and role of icons in the Orthodox tradition. Sources for the study of traditional techniques.
Week 2	Traditional painting techniques and materials (and supplements).
Week 3	Types of supports and their preparation. Choice of the scene/saint to be painted.
Week 4	Drawing and application of drawing on the prepared ground.
Week 5	Application of the first layer of paint (background, dress, faces).
Week 6	Corrections applied to the first layer (if needed), outlining the contours, application of the second layer.
Week 7	Second layer, corrections and solidification.
Week 8	Application of third and fourth layers.
Week 9	Accents, details and inscriptions.
Week 10	Final corrections and class exhibition.

ASSESSMENT

There are no examinations for College courses organised by the Folkhögskola. Assessment is based on full participation in all aspects of the course. This includes reading the set texts, completing written assignments and participating in group work.

REQUIREMENTS

All students need to be at least 18 years old, be officially registered in Sweden and have a sufficient knowledge of the language of instruction.

TUITION

Tuition at Sankt Ignatios Folkhögskola is free for everyone who is a citizen of Sweden or another EU country or who have been granted permission to live in Sweden. Students must be registered as living in Sweden.

SERVICE FEE

Students are required to pay a service fee. The service fee for this course is SEK 300 per semester.

Quick Facts

Organizer

Sankt Ignatios Folkhögskola

Level

Seminary

Length

1 semester (autumn 2020)

Study Pace

Part-time (25%)

Teaching Hours

Weekends and evenings

Type of Instruction

On-campus

Location

Campus Södertälje

Language of Instruction

English

Literature & Materials

Various sources and handouts will be used.