Additional Topics for Integration into the Core Curriculum Courses

Creative Arts

Copyright Infringement: Artist Shepard Fairey created the following iconic Obama “Hope” poster (see Image 1) by using a photo from the Associated Press (AP). Without researching the case, do you believe Fairey has done something unethical? Why or why not?

Image 1.

Design and Ethics: Issues related to:

- Deciding which clients you will refuse to work for;
- Should you steer clear of certain design elements or influences because of the behavior of the creators?

“Obscenity:” Issues related to the boundaries of art into definitions of obscenity:

- What is “obscene” and what is “art.”

Creative Arts Funding: Issues related to:

- Controversial art being funded by the federal government;
- Ethical obligations to fund/support the arts;
- The debate about the value of a Liberal Arts education.