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## Visual Culture in Art Education: Pedagogical Approaches and Practices in Turkey

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**Hybrid | Scarfe, Room 1328** \* for zoom details, please email [edcp.educ@ubc.ca](mailto:edcp.educ@ubc.ca)

This seminar centers on a research project about visual culture and pedagogical approaches designed to contribute to the in-service training of visual arts teachers in Turkey. The project was carried out with support of the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey [TÜBİTAK], and took place over a seven-month period, in seven different cities, in the form of 3-day workshops. This research consisted of activities that advanced critical thinking skills of classroom and art teachers by raising awareness about the impacts of global visual culture through both theoretical perspectives and artistic applications. The aim was to advocate for teachers to open discussion about visual experiences and visual culture images in daily life through a variety of strategies in the classroom. Workshop themes included: 1) How do we create meaning; 2) Ways of looking; 3) Ideologies of Space; 4) Inter-semiotic Exchange; and 5) Seduction and representation: Visual culture and technology-based museum experience. Participants in this seminar will have the opportunity to explore the pedagogical approaches and outcomes of this project.

Nuray Mamur is visiting scholar in Art Education and she joins EDCP from Pamukkale University, where she is a Professor of Art Education at Department of Fine Arts Education, in the Faculty of Education, Denizli, Turkey. She has ten years of teaching experience in both middle and high schools, and she has also worked as a committee member and lecturer in various projects for the Ministry of National Education. Her teaching and research focus on teacher education, visual culture pedagogy, museum education and assessment and evaluation in art education. She is also interested in the role of sustainable art education in sociocultural environments. Nuray is a practicing artist and works in the field of printmaking. She is a member of the International Society for Education through Art (InSEA), where she served as a World Councillor between 2017-2019. Nuray has served on the editorial board of Curious Puppet (science for preschoolers) of the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey [TÜBİTAK], and the Journal of Qualitative Research in Education (ENAD). In 2015, she received the "Visual Arts Educator of the Year Award" in the academic category from the Visual Arts Education Association of Turkey.