

**Bio:**

Elaine Rutherford has taught drawing and painting in the Art Department at CSB/SJU since 1998. During this time, she has served as the director of various study abroad experiences including London, Rome and Athens, Cannes, and Scotland. Elaine is very excited at the opportunity to work with students in London once again.

**Brief Course Description:**

**Working Title:** Experiential Place based study /seeing and understanding through drawing.

Studying the works of various artists will provide direct visual evidence of the various cultural and social dynamics of a given time and place as well as the ways in which art has been used a tool for social change. The process of learning about the socio-political dynamics of a place will be accessed through art music and literature both through theory (study of art music and literature) and practice, using the daily practice of drawing and painting as a means of deeply inhabit the present moment and to see and understand one's environments and one's place in it through drawing. Site visits, discussions and constructive critique around both study and practice will facilitate the unpacking and analysis of experience.