

Honors Projects

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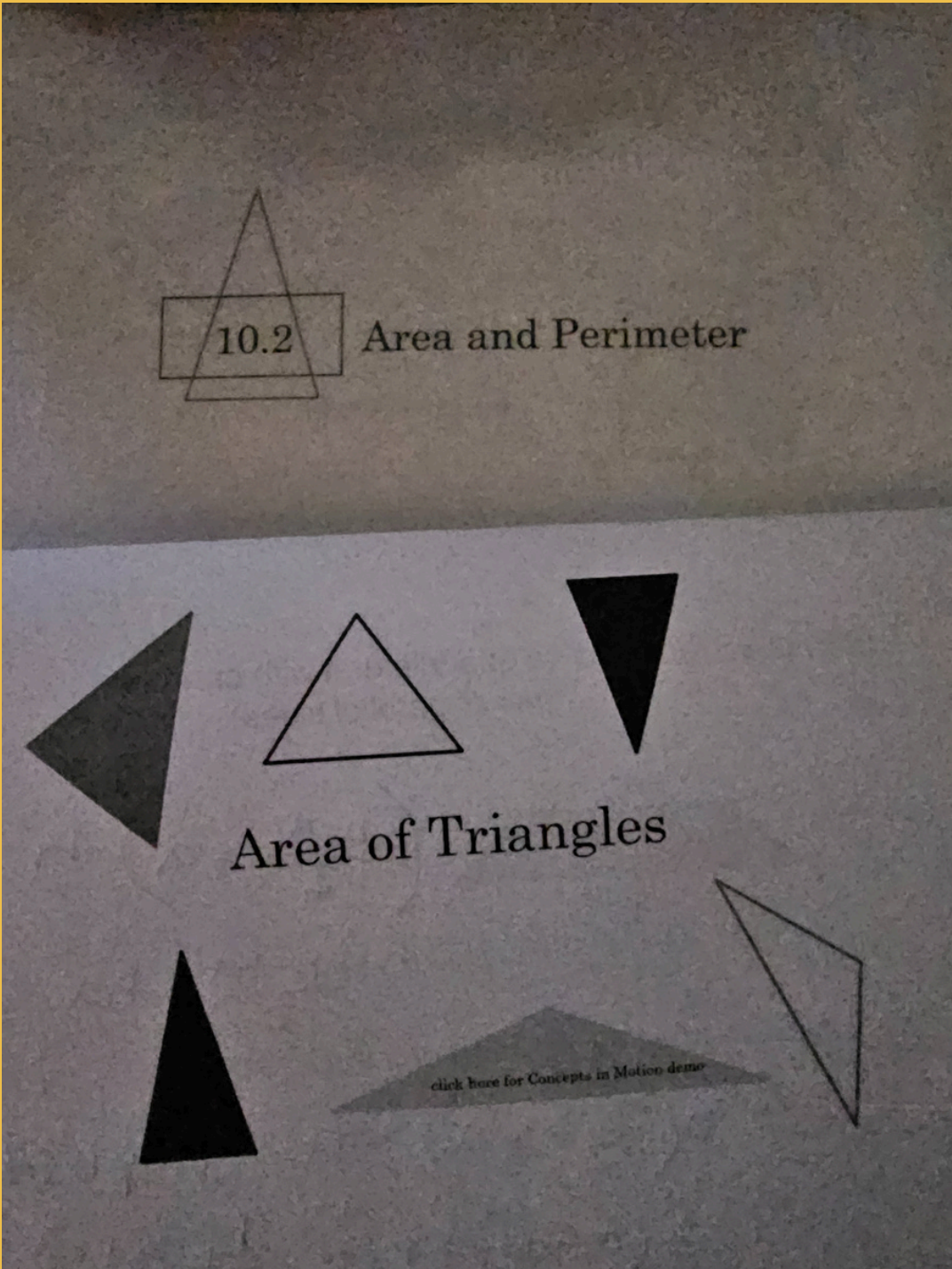


Introduction:
Rachelle Droke is originally from the Seattle side of Washington. She moved to Walla Walla in 2021. She studied a variety of topics at WWCC. Her main goal in the future is to pursue an art degree. This fall she is expecting a child, so she will most likely take a year off before pursuing a BA at another college.

Project 1: Teaching my Math Class

Math for Early Education II Math&132

In the Spring of 2024, I worked with Kristen Harvey to teach her math class one of the lessons. I was able to get a good feel for teaching a lesson, and following a lesson plan. I was also able to get feedback from some of my fellow students on ways I could improve if I were to teach again. I found I was really nervous being in front of students and I needs to work on my stage fright/presence.



Project 2: The Octopus Garden

Painting II Art 131

In the Winter of 2025 I worked with Warren Rood to Create a classroom piece that was 3ft tall, by 4ft wide. I was able to come up with a few different ideas for my piece, and after discussing the piece, we both decided to go with the Sea floor scene with a Giant Octopus. I was able to try new techniques and I learned that some techniques are too time consuming especially when there are other techniques that can create a similar look. I discovered a love for painting under sea creatures, and I would like to expand on it more in the future.

Project 3: 4 Styles, One theme

Painting III Art 132

In the Spring of 2025, I worked with Warren Rood to create a set of 4 small canvases all following one item in 4 different themes. The pieces all have to be cohesive in coloring, and the 4 themes are, Abstract, Semi-Abstract, Realism, and Cubism. I have loved Abstract art for a long time, so it was fun trying my hand at it. Cubism, is beautiful, but putting it down on paper is a little bit of a challenge. I first looked at it like a stained glass piece, and it helped me break it up into chunks, and then I further processed it into more pointed shapes.



Reflection

I have learned so much during my time at WWCC, especially while working through the Honors Program. I have enjoyed learning new ways to do things, including how to build an essay in a way that makes it so much easier for me to comprehend. I have tried new things, and learned when to use and not use different techniques. I have learned about myself and where I might like to end up in a career, as well as what I would like to do for the rest of my life.