# Graphic Design Four-Year Plan

**For Students Officially Admitted to the Program in Fall 2013 or Spring 2014 Only**

## Year One

### Five Foundation Courses:

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<td>Des 1101W: Introduction to Design Thinking</td>
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<td>(Arts/Humanities; Writing Intensive)</td>
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<td>Des 2101: Design and Visual Presentation</td>
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### Freshman Writing

- You will be placed in one of the following:
  - Writ 1201: Writing Studio*
  - Writ 1301: University Writing
  - Writ 1401: Writing and Academic Inquiry

*If placed in Writ 1201, you must also complete Writ 1301 to fulfill the first-year writing requirement.

### Liberal Education Requirements

- 6-8 Semester Credits

**Semester Credits: 29-31 for year one**

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## Year Two

### Fall Semester

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<td>GDes 3312: Color and Form in Surface Design</td>
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<td>GDes 3351: Text and Image</td>
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<td>Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design</td>
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### Portfolio Review

- PORTFOLIO REVIEW HELD EARLY IN THE TERM

Upon passing portfolio review, you will be assigned a faculty adviser in addition to your professional adviser.

**Semester Credits**

- **Fall Semester**: 16-19
- **Spring Semester**: 14

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## Year Three

### Fall Semester
- **GDes 3352: Identity and Symbols** .......................................................... 3
- **GDes 4131W: History of Graphic Design (fall only)** .......................... 4
- **Program Elective** .................................................................................. 3-4
  For course options, refer to your APAS report.
- **Technical and Professional Writing** ..................................................... 3-4
  For course options, refer to your APAS report.

### Spring Semester
- **GDes 3353: Packaging and Display** ..................................................... 3
- **GDes 4345: Advanced Typography** .................................................... 4
- **Business Core (one course)** ................................................................. 3-4
  For course options, refer to your APAS report.
  Courses may overlap with Social Sciences.
- **Liberal Education Requirements** ......................................................... 6-8

### Good Study Abroad Term
- Semester Credits: 13-15

## Year Four

### Fall Semester
- **GDes 4196: Internship** ......................................................................... 1-3
- **GDes 4361W: Thesis Studio & Writing** .................................................. 3
- **Program Elective** .................................................................................. 3-4
  For course options, refer to your APAS report.
- **Liberal Education Requirements and/or electives, if needed** ............... 6-8

### Spring Semester
- **GDes 4362: Senior Thesis and Exhibition** .......................................... 3
- **Program Elective** .................................................................................. 3-4
  For course options, refer to your APAS report.
- **Liberal Education Requirements and/or electives, if needed** ............... 9-12

### Good Study Abroad Term
- Semester Credits: 16-19

### Liberal Education Requirements Not Met by Program Requirements

#### Diversified Core
- **Biological Science**
- **Historical Perspective**
  (may overlap with Art History Core)
- **Literature**
- **Mathematical Thinking**
- **Physical Science**
- **Social Sciences**
  (may overlap with Business Core)

#### Designated Themes (Complete 4 of the 5.)
- **Civic Life and Ethics**
  (may overlap with Public Speaking Core)
- **Diversity and Social Justice in the U.S.**
- **Global Perspectives**
  (may overlap with Art History Core)
- **Technology and Society**
- **The Environment**