Graphic Design Four-Year Plan

For Students Officially Admitted to the Program in Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 Only
(v. 4-13-23)

Year One

Five Foundation Courses:

❏ **Des 1101W: Introduction to Design Thinking** (Arts/Humanities; Writing Intensive)	4
❏ **Des 2101: Design and Visual Presentation**	2
❏ **GDes 1311: Foundations: Drawing & Design in Two and Three Dimensions ***	4
❏ **GDes 1312: Foundations: Color & Design in Two and Three Dimensions ***	4
❏ **GDes 1315: Foundations: The Graphic Studio**	4

❏ **Freshman Writing**　　　　　　　　　　4
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: 28-30 for year one

Required Studio Sequence: Step 1:
Complete the five foundation courses during the first two semesters in the program.
* Students may not enroll in GDes 1311 and GDes 1312 concurrently.

Important Note:
Each major-required course fulfills only one major requirement. I.e., you may not double-dip among major requirements.

Year Two

Fall Semester

❏ **GDes 2345: Typography**	4
❏ **Advanced Skills Course** Refer to your APAS report for course options.	3-4
❏ **Grand Challenge Course or Race, Power, and Justice in the U.S.** Refer to your APAS report for course options. Courses may overlap with Race, Power, and Justice in the U.S.	3
❏ **Public Speaking** Refer to your APAS report for course options. Courses may overlap with Civil Life and Ethics.	3-4
❏ Liberal Education Requirement	3-4

PORTFOLIO REVIEW HELD EARLY IN THE TERM

Semester Credits　16-19

Spring Semester

❏ **Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design**	1
❏ **GDes 2342: Web Design**	3
❏ **GDes 2399W: Design and Its Discontents**	3
❏ **GDes 3351: Text and Image**	3
❏ **Advanced Skills Course** Refer to your APAS report for course options.	3

Semester Credits　14

Required Studio Sequence: Step 2:
Take GDes 2345.
Go through Portfolio Review.

Required Studio Sequence: Step 3:
After passing Portfolio Review and
GDes 2345, take GDes 3351.

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Year Three

Fall Semester

❐	**GDes 3352: Identity and Symbols**	3
❐	**GDes 4131W: History of Graphic Design**	4
❐	**Program Elective** Refer to your APAS report for course options.	3-4
❐	Liberal Education Requirement	3-4

Good Term to Study Abroad/Away

Semester Credits   13-15

Spring Semester

❐	**GDes 3353: Packaging and Display**	3
❐	**GDes 4345: Advanced Typography**	4
❐	**Business Core** Refer to your APAS report for course options. Courses may overlap with Social Sciences.	3-4
❐	Liberal Education Requirements	6-8

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Semester Credits   16-19

Required Studio Sequence: Step 4:
Take GDes 3352 and GDes 3353. They may be taken concurrently.

Year Four

Fall Semester

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

Semester Credits   13-18

Required Studio Sequence: Step 5:
Take GDes 4361W.

Spring Semester

❐	**GDes 4362: Senior Thesis and Exhibition**	3
❐	**GDes 4363: Graphic Design Portfolio**	3
❐	**Program Elective** Refer to your APAS report for course options.	3-4
❐	Liberal Education Requirements and/or electives, if needed	6-8

Semester Credits   15-18

Required Studio Sequence: Step 6:
Take GDes 4362.

Liberal Education Requirements *Not* Met by Major Requirements

Diversified Core

- ❐ Biological Science
- ❐ Historical Perspective
- ❐ 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)
- ❐ Race, Power, and Justice in the U.S.
  (may overlap with the *Global Challenge Course or Race, Power, and Justice in the U.S.* requirement)
- ❐ Global Perspectives
- ❐ Technology and Society
- ❐ The Environment

This is a sample plan subject to change prior
to the start of Fall Term 2020.