

# Graphic Design Four-Year Plan

For Students Officially Admitted to the Program in Fall 2014 or Spring 2015 Only  
(v. 6-3-14)

## Year One

### Five Foundation Courses:

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|---|---|--|-----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Des 1101W: Introduction to Design Thinking</b> .....  | 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Freshman Writing</b> .....               | 4   |
| (Arts/Humanities; Writing Intensive)  |   | You will be placed in one of the following:                          |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Des 2101: Design and Visual Presentation</b> .....    | 3 | <b>Writ 1201: Writing Studio*</b>                                    |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 1311: Foundations: Drawing &amp; Design in</b>   |   | <b>Writ 1301: University Writing</b>                                 |     |
| <b>Two and Three Dimensions</b> .....   | 4 | <b>Writ 1401: Writing and Academic Inquiry</b>                       |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 1312: Foundations: Color &amp; Design in Two</b> |   | *If placed in Writ 1201, you must also complete                      |     |
| <b>and Three Dimensions</b> .....   | 4 | Writ 1301 to fulfill the first-year writing requirement.             |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 1315: Foundations: The Graphic Studio</b> .....  | 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Liberal Education Requirements</b> ..... | 6-8 |

Semester Credits: 29-31 for year one

## Year Two

### Fall Semester

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|---|-----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Art History Core</b> .....  | 3-4 |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.<br>Courses may overlap with Global Perspectives and/or<br>Historical Perspectives. |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 2345: Typography</b> .....   | 4   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Photography Core</b> .....  | 3-4 |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.  |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Speaking Core</b> .....  | 3   |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.<br>Courses may overlap with Civic Life and Ethics.                                 |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liberal Education Requirement .....  | 3-4 |

### 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 16-19

### Spring Semester

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 2342: Web Design</b> .....                       | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 2399W: Design and Its Discontents</b> .....      | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 3312: Color and Form in Surface Design</b> ..... | 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 3351: Text and Image</b> .....                   | 3 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for</b>   |   |
| <b>Design</b> .....   | 1 |

Semester Credits 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.

**GOOD STUDY ABROAD TERM**

Semester Credits 13-15

**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 16-19

**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
  
- Semester Credits 13-18

**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
  
- Semester Credits 15-19

**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**