

# Graphic Design Four-Year Plan

For Students Officially Admitted to the Program in Fall 2015 or Spring 2016 Only  
(v. 5-27-15)

## Year One

### Five Foundation Courses:

- Des 1101W: Introduction to Design Thinking**..... 4  
(Arts/Humanities; Writing Intensive)
- 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

## Year Two

### Fall Semester

- Art History Core** ..... 3-4  
For course options, refer to your APAS report.  
Courses may overlap with Global Perspectives and/or Historical Perspectives.
- GDes 2345: Typography**..... 4
- Photography Core**..... 3-4  
For course options, refer to your APAS report.
- Public Speaking Core**..... 3  
For course options, refer to your APAS report.  
Courses may overlap with Civic Life and Ethics.
- 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

- GDes 2342: Web Design** ..... 3
- GDes 2399W: Design and Its Discontents** ..... 3
- GDes 3312: Color and Form in Surface Design** ..... 4
- GDes 3351: Text and Image** ..... 3
- Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design** ..... 1

Semester Credits 14

## Year Three

### Fall Semester

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 3352: Identity and Symbols</b> .....                  | 3   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 4131W: History of Graphic Design</b> (fall only)..... | 4   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Program Elective</b> .....                                 | 3-4 |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.   |     |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Technical and Professional Writing</b> .....               | 3-4 |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.   |     |

### GOOD STUDY ABROAD TERM

Semester Credits 13-15

### Spring Semester

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 3353: Packaging and Display</b> .....                      | 3   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 4345: Advanced Typography</b> .....                        | 4   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Business Core (one course)</b> .....                            | 3-4 |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.<br>Courses may overlap with Social Sciences. |     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liberal Education Requirements .....                               | 6-8 |

### GOOD STUDY ABROAD TERM

Semester Credits 16-19

## Year Four

### Fall Semester

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 4196: Internship</b> .....                                  | 1-3   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 4361W: Thesis Studio &amp; Writing</b> .....                | 3     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Program Elective</b> .....                                       | 3-4   |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report.   |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liberal Education Requirements and/or electives,<br>if needed ..... | 6-8   |
| Semester Credits   | 13-18 |

### Spring Semester

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 4362: Senior Thesis and Exhibition</b> .....                | 3     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>GDes 4363: Graphic Design Portfolio</b> .....                    | 3     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Program Elective</b> .....                                       | 3-4   |
| For course options, refer to your APAS report  |       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liberal Education Requirements and/or electives,<br>if needed ..... | 6-8   |
| Semester Credits   | 15-18 |

## 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**