

OVERVIEW

An Associate's Degree in Graphic Design degree can be an ideal program of study for individuals seeking to turn their talents and artistic passion into a long-term career. Graphic designers develop visual concepts by hand or use computer software to communicate ideas that inspire, inform, or captivate consumers. They develop the overall layout and production design for advertisements, brochures, magazines, and corporate reports, integrating an array of media, such as traditional illustration, typography, digital illustration, and photography. Businesses and organizations of all sizes rely on visual media to convey information to consumers through advertisements, public service announcements to citizens, and key instructions to employees.

RELATED CAREERS

Graphic Designers

Art Directors

Commercial and Industrial Designers Media and Communication Workers Multimedia Artists and Animators

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CAREER READINESS SKILLS

Critical Thinking/Problem-Solving

Form creative decisions by interpreting information, opinions and data.

Oral/Written Communication

Explain thoughts and ideas effectively to people inside and outside the organization.

Teamwork

Work efficiently with diverse groups; the ability to negotiate and manage conflict maturely.

Digital Technology

Demonstrate adaptability to new emerging technology to achieve goals.

Leadership

Leverage the strength of others to achieve common goals, as well as prioritizing and delegating work.

Professionalism

Recognizing the significance of time, tasks, appearance and accountability.

Career Management

Understand how to self-advocate for opportunities, while identifying areas necessary for professional growth.

Global Perspective

Openness, inclusiveness, and sensitivity to people of diverse backgrounds and lifestyles.





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SUGGESTED SEQUENCE OF COURSES

Prerequisite or parallel courses may be required. Please check individual course descriptions for details.

GRAPHIC DESIGN, ASSOCIATE DEGREE

Freshman Year

ENG* E101 - Composition	3 credits
Elective (MATH) - Mathematics	3-4 credits ¹
ART* E121 - Two-Dimensional Design	3 credits
ART* E111 - Drawing I	3 credits
ENG* E102 - Literature & Composition	3 credits
GRA* E111 - Introduction to Computer Graphics	3 credits
ART* E109 - Color Theory	3 credits
ART* E112 - Drawing II	3 credits
GRA* E151 - Graphic Design	3 credits
Elective (SOCX) - Social Phenomena I	3 credits

Sophomore Year

GRA* E230 - Digital Imaging I	3 credits
GRA* E202 - Typography	3 credits
Elective (HUM) - Humanities	3 credits
Elective (SOPX) - Social Phenomena II	3 credits
Elective (SCKX) - Scientific Knowledge & Understanding	3-4 credits
ART* E250 - Digital Photography I	3 credits
Elective - Art History	3 credits ²
GRA* E241 - Digital Page Design	3 credits
GRA* E221 - Illustration I	3 credits
Elective (OPEN) - Any course 100 or higher	3-4 credits
ART* E290 - Portfolio Preparation I	1 credit

Total Credits: 61 - 62

¹MAT* E104 or higher.

² Choose from ART* E101, ART* E102, or ART* E103