



Graphic Design + Digital Media

Course Requirements 2023-202

FRESHMAN 1ST SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 14)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
FD118 Fundamentals of Comp & Color - Digital	2	
FD127 Fundamentals of Digital Imaging 1 (Photoshop)	2	
FD129 Fundamentals of Digital Imaging 2 (Illustrator)	2	
FD145 Design Drawing	2	

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
LA100 First-Year Seminar	3	
LA104 English Composition	3	English Diagnostic

FRESHMAN 2ND SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 17)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
FD123 Fundamentals of Graphic Design	2	FD127
FD137 Fundamentals of 3D	2	FD127, FD129
FD142 Fundamentals of Motion Graphics	2	FD127, FD129
FD144 Fundamentals of Type	2	FD151

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
LA111 Critical Reasoning	3	LA104

Art History: Ancient Civilizations: Pick One

- AH114 Mesoamerican Empires of the Aztec and Maya
- AH115 Intro to Asian Art and Culture
- AH116 Ancient Civilizations: Egypt-Greece-Rome

Social Science: Pick One

- LA235 Introduction to Psychology
- LA236 Introduction to Linguistics
- LA245 Introduction to Philosophy
- LA247 Introduction to Sociology
- LA248 Interpersonal Communication

SOPHOMORE 1ST SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 18)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
GD223 Typography 1	3	FD127, FD129, FD123
GD224 Graphic Design 1	3	FD127, FD129, FD123
GD230 Computer Imaging	3	FD127, FD129
GD275 Digital Photography	3	FD127
STELEC Studio Elective	3	

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
Art History: Medieval Worlds in Motion: Pick One	3	

- AH204 The Medieval World
- AH205 Nature in Art: Japan, Korea, Tibet

SOPHOMORE 2ND SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 18)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
GD001 Graphic Design + Digital Media Advancement Review	0	
GD225 Typography 2	3	GD223, GD224
GD226 Graphic Design 2	3	GD223, GD224
GD251 3D-1: Animation for Motion Graphics	3	FD137
GD411 Motion Graphics + Visual Effects 1	3	FD142

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
Art History: Renaissance + Early Modern Worlds: Pick One	3	AH114 OR AH115

- AH206 Illuminating Women: Female Artists, Scientists, Poets, Philosophers of the Renaissance
- AH207 Age of Michelangelo, 1450-1550
- AH305 Worldly + Otherworldly Creatures
- AH334 History of Graphic Design

JUNIOR 1ST SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 15)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
GD202 User Interface Design 1	3	GD223, GD224
GD312 Communication Design 1	3	GD225, GD226
GD319 Brand Strategy	3	
GD320 Digital Videography	3	FD127, FD142, GD275

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

	Units	Prerequisites
Science: Pick One	3	

- LA125 Scientific Anatomy
- LA204 The Science of Sight
- LA239 Project Green: Hillside
- LA242 Project Green: Oceans
- LA250 Human Evolution



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LA255 Human Diversity
LA260 Human Sexuality

JUNIOR 2ND SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 12)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

GD314 Package Design 1

Graphic Design Electives: Pick Two

Units

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Prerequisites

GD225, GD226

Check self-service for course-specific prerequisites

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

Language Arts: Pick One

LA103 Directed Research + Writing: Special Topics
LA175 Poetry Workshop
LA192 Poetry Survey and Analysis
LA193 Creative Writing Summer Intensive (travel)
LA194 Creative Writing Multi-Genre Workshop
LA196 Creative Writing Fiction Workshop
LA197 Creative Writing Non-Fiction
LA198 Creative Writing Script Writing Workshop
LA199 Creative Writing Storytelling
LA209 Dystopian Literature
LA218 American Literature
LA281 Graphic Novel
LA290 World Literature

Units

3

Prerequisites

LA111

SENIOR 1ST SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 15)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

GD418 Senior Portfolio 1

GDELEC Graphic Design Elective: Pick Two

Units

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Prerequisites

GD001, Senior Status

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LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

Art History: Modern Movements: Pick One

AH404 Los Tres Grandes: Mexican Muralist Movement
AH405 Traditional Arts of Western Africa
AH406 Modern Visualities: 19th-20th Century Photography in South and East Asia

LA326 Professional Studies for Designers

Units

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Prerequisites

AH114 OR AH115, AH204 OR AH205 OR AH206 OR AH207 OR AH305

SENIOR 2ND SEMESTER (TOTAL UNITS: 13)

STUDIO REQUIREMENTS

GD419 Senior Portfolio 2

GDELEC Graphic Design Elective

Units

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Prerequisites

GD418

Check self-service for course-specific prerequisites

LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS

LA424 Senior Capstone and Thesis Defense

Art History: Contemporary Movements: Pick One

AH407 Exiles in L.A.: Art, Architecture, Film of Wartime Émigrés
AH408 Living Through History: American Culture Wars
AH409 Exhibition Design

Quantitative Reasoning: Pick One

LA231 Mathematics
LA237 Financial Literacy

LA424 Senior Capstone Thesis Defense

Units

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Prerequisites

Language Arts, Concurrent with GD419
AH114 OR AH115, AH204 OR AH205 OR
AH206 OR AH207 OR AH305

Language Arts, concurrent with GD419

TOTAL UNITS TO GRADUATE: 122