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## BS-Graphic Design-Major Code: 4063

This degree is available in a guaranteed 8-semester plan for qualified freshmen. See your advisor to declare your major and sign an official degree plan.

The prerequisites and corequisites of the degree requirements are subject to change.

FRESHMAN YEAR- FALL SEMESTER: 16 hours			
Courses			
ART 1103 2D Design	3 Hours	Note 2 & 3	Grade
ART 1113 Drawing	3 Hours	Note 2 & 3	Grade
ART 1123 Digital Imaging	3 Hours	Note 2 & 3	Grade
SPCH 1203 Intro to Speech Communication	3 Hours		Grade
English composition requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade
FIN 1521 Personal Finance Applications	1 Hour	Note 8	Grade
FRESHMAN YEAR- SPRING SEMESTER: 16 hours			
Courses	• • •		
ART 1133 Introduction to Typography	3 Hours	Note 2 & 3	Grade
ART 1143 3D Design	3 Hours	Note 2 & 3	Grade
ART 1551 Admissions Portfolio	1 Hours	Note 2 & 3	Grade
English composition requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade
Humanities/Social Sciences requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade
Mathematics requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade
SOPHOMORE YEAR- FALL SEMESTER: 15 hours			
Courses			
AHIS 2863 Art History Survey I	3 Hours	Note 2 & 7	Grade
GRDS 2303 Graphic Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 2243 Digital Illustration	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
ART/GRDS lower-level elective	3 Hours	Note 2 & 5	Grade
Humanities/Social Sciences requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade
SOPHOMORE YEAR- SPRING SEMESTER: 15 hours			
Courses			
AHIS 2873 Art History Survey II	3 Hours	Note 2 & 7	Grade
AHIS 3863 History of Graphic Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 2103 Advanced Typography	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 2253 Interactive Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 2343 Print & Publication Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
JUNIOR YEAR- FALL SEMESTER: 15 hours			
Courses			
ART 3313 Advanced Drawing	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 3273 Motion Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 3403 Advertising Design I	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
Lab science requirement	4 Hours	Note 1	Grade
Elective	2 Hours	Note 4	Grade
IUNIOR YEAR- SPRING SEMESTER: 15 hours			
Courses			
GRDS 3323 Production Management/Prepress	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 3603 Packaging Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
ART/GRDS/AHIS upper-level elective	3 Hours	Note 2 & 6	Grade
History/Government requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade
AHIS upper-level elective	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade

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SENIOR YEAR- FALL SEMESTER: 16 hours			
Courses			
GRDS 4313 Identity Design	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 4933 Graphic Design Senior Thesis	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
GRDS 3243 Interactive Development	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
Lab science requirement	4 Hours	Note 1	Grade
Electives	3 Hours	Note 4	Grade
SENIOR YEAR- SPRING SEMESTER: 12 hours			
Courses			
GRDS 4623 Graphic Design Business Practices	3 Hours	Note 2	Grade
ART/GRDS/AHIS upper-level elective	3 Hours	Note 2 & 6	Grade
ART/GRDS/AHIS upper-level elective	3 Hours	Note 2 & 6	Grade
Humanities/Social Sciences requirement	3 Hours	Note 1	Grade

## Total Hours: 120 At least 40 hours must be upper level

## **NOTES**

- 1. General Education Core Requirements, see Graduation Requirements section of this catalog.
- 2. These courses will be used to determine major GPA, see Graduation requirements section of this catalog. A grade of C or required in ART, AHIS, and GRDS courses. A cumulative GPA of 2.75 is required in all courses toward the major.
- 3. Foundations requirement in Graphic Design. The degree plan shows a suggested course sequence. ART 1551 Admissions Portfolio must be passed before enrolling in 2000-level or higher ART and GRDS courses.

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- 4. Electives, five hours, select in consultation with advisor.
- 5. Lower-level ART/GRDS elective, three hours: select one course from ART or GRDS 2000-level courses.
- 6. Upper-level ART/GRDS/AHIS electives, nine hours: select from ART, GRDS, or AHIS 3000- or 4000-level courses.
- 7. Students are strongly recommended to take AHIS 2863 before AHIS 2873.
- 8. Prior to graduation students must demonstrate competency in financial literacy by satisfactory completion of FIN 1521 Personal Finance Applications (or an approved substitution) with a grade of C or better, or by a score of 70% or more on a challenge exam for FIN 1521.

## **Student Degree Program Requirements**

A student's degree program requirements are those specified in the catalog in effect at the time of declaration of program major. If not on the Guaranteed 8-semester degree plan, students may choose to meet the program requirements specified in the catalog for a later year from when they began their program of study. Students must meet the above program requirements and the graduation requirements as indicated by institutional and college policy. The program can be changed only with the approval of the official advisor. If original courses are eliminated, students may be required to meet new curriculum requirements in the degree program. If students are not enrolled for two or more consecutive terms (excluding summer terms), they must re-enter under the program requirements of the current catalog. Students are responsible for understanding program requirements and changes. Guaranteed 8-Semester Degree Completion Program Pursuant to Act 1014 of 2005, qualified first-time freshmen with a declared major may elect to participate in the guaranteed 8-semester degree completion program. Students must follow the above degree plan and meet all requirements as outlined in the Guaranteed 8-semester Degree Completion Program contract. The contract and this degree plan must be signed and filed with the advisor before the first day of classes for the student's first term of attendance. The official copy of the contract and degree plan are filed in the Registrar's Office. Approved by Dr. Shadow Robinson, March 1, 2024-Catalog Year 2024-2025. This document is not official until signed and dated by both the student and an authorized university representative.

Student Signature	Date
Advisor Signature	Date