

ODU | BFA: MAJOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN | FALL 2020–SPRING 2022

This is a sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. GDES courses are sequenced and must be taken in order listed below.

FRESHMAN : YEAR 1

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Major Coursework [Select 2 courses] » ARTS 202: 2D Design + Color [*Prerequisite to GDES 280] » ARTS 231: Drawing I [*Prerequisite to GDES 280] » ARTS 279: Digital Basics [*Pre- or corequisite to GDES 280] » ARTS 203: 3D Design General Education Coursework » ENGL 110C [Grade of C or better required] » Language & Culture I [If taken in high school, take general education course under Sophomore year] » Mathematics	6 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits	Major Coursework [Select remaining 2 courses] » ARTS 202: 2D Design + Color [*Prerequisite to GDES 280] » ARTS 231: Drawing I [*Prerequisite to GDES 280] » ARTS 279: Digital Basics [*Pre- or corequisite to GDES 280] » ARTS 203: 3D Design General Education Coursework » ENGL 211C, 221C or 231C [Grade of C or better required] » Language & Culture II [If taken in high school, take general education course under Sophomore year] » Oral Communications	6 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits

SOPHOMORE : YEAR 2

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Major Coursework » GDES 280: Introduction to Graphic Design [*See prerequisites under Year 1; Offered Fall Only] » ARTS 204: Foundational Concepts » ARTS 211: Introduction to Digital Photography » ARTH 150: Art History Global Survey General Education Coursework » The Nature of Science I » Literature	3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 4 Credits 3 Credits	Major Coursework » GDES 365: Basic Typography [Offered Spring Only] » GDES 370: GD Continuance Review [Offered Spring Only] » ARTS 311: Drawing II » ARTH 200 Level Survey Course General Education Coursework » The Nature of Science II » Information Literacy & Research	3 Credits 1 Credit 3 Credits 3 Credits 4 Credits 3 Credits

JUNIOR : YEAR 3

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Major Coursework » GDES 371: Design Concepts [Offered Fall Only] » GDES 372: Advanced Typography [Offered Fall Only] » ARTS 257, 258 or 259 Printmaking Course » ARTH Writing Intensive Course General Education Coursework » Human Behavior » Human Creativity [may not take ARTH 121A or ARTS 122A]	3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits	Major Coursework » GDES 373: Design Systems [Offered Spring Only] » GDES 300 or 400 Level Graphic Design Elective » ARTS Studio Elective Course » ARTH 300 or 400 Elective Course General Education Coursework » Interpreting the Past	3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits

SENIOR : YEAR 4

FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
Major Coursework » GDES 490: Design Seminar [Offered Fall Only] » GDES 300 or 400 Level Graphic Design Elective Course » GDES 300 or 400 Level Graphic Design Elective Course » ARTH 300 or 400 Elective Course General Education Coursework » Impact of Technology [Could be satisfied with ARTH 435W]	3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits	Major Coursework » GDES 491: Design Capstone [Offered Spring Only] » GDES 300 or 400 Level Graphic Design Elective Course General Education Coursework » Philosophy and Ethics » Option D [300 or 400 Upper Division Course] » Option D [300 or 400 Upper Division Course]	3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits 3 Credits

NOTE: The B.F.A. degree does not have a freshman entrance portfolio review for admission. Intended students in the graphic design program are expected to successfully complete the studio art foundations courses during the first year of study. In their second year, intended students will begin the required sequence of courses in the graphic design program. Students must register for and pass GDES 370: Graphic Design Continuance Review in order to be admitted into the graphic design program. Due to the sequence of the required graphic design courses, accepted students are admitted to the program only in the fall semester. For more information, go to www.odu.edu/artdept/academics/graphic-design/curriculum.

- » A minimum grade of "C" is required for credit in all GDES, ARTS and ARTH courses.
- » For a complete list of **General Education** coursework, visit the undergraduate catalog, review options under Degree Works, and/or consult with a program advisor. **Upper Division General Education** may be satisfied by several options. Consult your catalog and advisor for your best option.
- » To reduce fall and spring semester loads, some general education courses may be available during the summer.
- » See course listings in catalog and consult with your Graphic Design advisor for GDES elective course options.

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