

Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree Requirements



GRAPHIC DESIGN (78 Studio Hours) as of fall 2023			
	Course Number	Course Title	Credit Hours
Freshman Year			
Fall Semester	FOUN 100	Foundation	9
Spring Semester	FOUN 110	Foundation	9
Sophomore Year			
Fall Semester	DESN 201	Visual Inquiry	6
	DESN 221	Type and Image I	3
	DESN 240	Graphic Design History	3
Spring Semester	DESN 202	Communication Inquiry	3
	DESN 222	Type and Image II	3
	DESN 242	Media Inquiry	3
Junior Year			
Fall Semester	DESN 302	Professional Practices	3
	DESN 321*	Interaction Inquiry OR	6
	DESN 341*	Branding and Identity Inquiry OR	
	DESN 361*	Social Innovation Inquiry	
Spring Semester	DESN 301	Research and Process	3
	DESN 322*	Interdisciplinary Inquiry OR	6
	DESN 342*	Information and Data Visualization Inquiry	
Senior Year			
Fall Semester	DESN 321*	Interaction Inquiry OR	6
	DESN 341*	Branding and Identity Inquiry OR	
	DESN 361*	Social Innovation Inquiry	
Spring Semester	DESN 401	Type / Image Inquiry	3
	DESN 422	Self-Directed Inquiry	3
Required Studio Electives or Internships: (3)		Any Department Studio Elective	3
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Note:	<p>*Choose from one of these courses; courses may be repeated for credit. It is strongly suggested that students take an internship in graphic design during the summer following their junior year. Internships are discouraged in the fall or spring. No more than 3 credit hours can be earned through any internship.</p>		

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LIBERAL ARTS REQUIREMENTS (42 Credit Hours)			
LOWER-DIVISION REQUIRED COURSES			
	Course No.	Course Title	Credits
Freshman Year			
Fall Semester	*WRS 1001	Writing Seminar	3
	*AHS 1001	Art Historical Studies I	3
Spring Semester	*CRS 1001	Critical Studies I	3
	*AHS 1002	Art Historical Studies II	3
Sophomore Year			
Fall Semester	CRS 1001	Critical Studies II	3
NOTE:	<i>*These courses are pre-requisites for upper-division courses.</i>		
UPPER-DIVISION REQUIRED COURSES			
<i>*Upper-division courses are to be taken sophomore, junior, senior years.</i>			
Subject Requirement			Credits
Art History			3
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Literature or Creative Writing			3
History			3
Philosophy			3
Social Science or Science			3
UPPER-DIVISION LIBERAL ARTS ELECTIVES			
Choose any two additional courses within Liberal Arts subject areas			
Course Requirement			Credits
Liberal Arts Elective			3
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NOTE: WITHIN LIBERAL ARTS			
<i>At least one course must be a course in Global/Comparative Studies (G/C)</i>			
<i>At least 15 credit hours (5 courses) must be taken at the 3000/4000 levels</i>			
OPEN ELECTIVES (6 Credit Hours – studio elective or liberal arts)			
Course Requirement			Credits
Open Elective			3
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B.F.A. TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED: 126

In addition to fulfilling the course/credit requirements, you must also meet the following criteria:

Overall GPA minimum 2.0

Major studio GPA minimum 2.0

Last 30 credit hours must be completed at KCAI

This is a student tool only and does not guarantee degree completion. Please meet with your academic advisor regarding requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure you will complete all requirements by the projected graduation date.