



Graphic Designer



Illustrator



Art Director



Web Designer

CREATE YOUR PORTFOLIO FOR SUCCESS!

Our mission is to help you develop the skills necessary to build a portfolio that demonstrates your creative, problem-solving, and verbal presentation abilities for the professional fields of graphic design, advertising, and illustration. Your portfolio can be used to seek entrance to a baccalaureate-granting institution or art school, or for professional employment in a creative field.

Want to get a BFA in Graphic Design?

The NASAD* accredited Graphic Design program at College of DuPage has several articulation agreements with local and regional colleges, so you can continue your education at your chosen 4-year school – entering with a junior status.

Every successful business uses the services of advertising agencies, graphic designers, and illustrators to promote and inform in today's global economy. Graduates of the Graphic Design degree or certificate programs find work in advertising agencies, design studios, in-house corporate design/promotion departments, or as freelancers, handling a variety of creative projects and campaigns. Job titles include: graphic designer, web designer, art director, illustrator, layout artist, package designer, computer artist, and cartoonist, to name just a few.

Get started!

Make an appointment to meet with a full-time faculty advisor (listed below) to discuss a course of study that meets your academic needs.

GRAPHIC DESIGN FACULTY ADVISORS

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OF ART AND DESIGN

CERTIFICATES

Graphic Design Foundation Certificate (4616)

The Graphic Design Certificate covers the basic principles and elements of design, typography, drawing, illustration, and UX design using traditional and digital design tools and software.

GRDSN 1100	Drawing for Design.....	3
GRDSN 1101	Digital Graphic Applications.....	3
GRDSN 1102	Graphic Design 1.....	3
GRDSN 1104	Typography.....	3
GRDSN 1105	Graphic Design 2.....	3
GRDSN 1106	Three-Dimensional Design.....	3
GRDSN 1107	Digital Illustration 1.....	3
GRDSN 1108	Digital Illustration 2.....	3
GRDSN 2200	User Experience Design.....	3

Total certificate credit hours..... 27

Web Design Certificate (4620)

The Web Design Certificate provides a foundation in design, principles of interactivity, and the use of web-authoring software and basic coding.

GRDSN 1102	Graphic Design 1.....	3
GRDSN 1104	Typography.....	3
GRDSN 1105	Graphic Design 2.....	3
GRDSN 1107	Digital Illustration 1.....	3
GRDSN 2200	User Experience Design.....	3
GRDSN 2201	Graphic Design 3.....	3
GRDSN 2202	Web/Interactive Design 1.....	3
GRDSN 2206	Web/Interactive Design 2.....	3

Total certificate credit hours..... 24

GRAPHIC DESIGN AAS DEGREE (3613)

The following represents a Fall and Spring semester course sequence. Note that courses can be taken during the summer semester to either speed up the completion of the program or lessen the semester course load.

Suggested Course Sequence (Full-Time Enrollment)

FIRST SEMESTER (15 credits)

GRDSN 1100	Drawing for Design	3
GRDSN 1101	Digital Graphic Applications	3
GRDSN 1102	Graphic Design 1	3
GRDSN 1104	Typography	3
ENGLI 1101	English 1101	3

SECOND SEMESTER (18 credits)

GRDSN 1105	Graphic Design 2	3
GRDSN 1106	Three-Dimensional Design	3
GRDSN 1107	Digital Illustration 1	3
GRDSN 1108	Digital Illustration 2	3
GRDSN 2200	User Experience Design	3
SPEEC 1100	Speech 1100	3

Summer Term (4 credits)

GEN ED	Physical and Life Sciences Course	3
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THIRD SEMESTER (18 credits)

GRDSN 2201	Graphic Design 3	3
GRDSN 2202	Web/Interactive Design 1	3
GRDSN 2203	Advertising Design	3
MATH	Mathematics Course	3
GEN ED	Humanities and Fine Arts course*	3

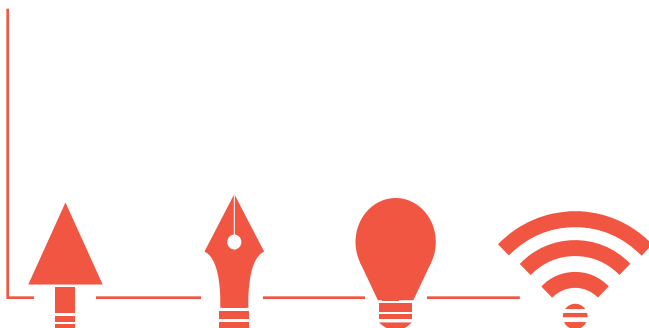
*Choose one: Art 2211, 2212, 2213, or 2214

FOURTH SEMESTER (18 credits)

GRDSN 2204	Digital Illustration 3	3
GRDSN 2205	Graphic Design 4	3
GRDSN 2206	Web/Interactive Design 2	3
GRDSN 2208	Portfolio Seminar	3
GEN ED	Social & Behavioral Science Course	3

Total credit hours.....67

For more information on the AAS Degree visit:
www.cod.edu/programs/graphic_design/index.aspx



INTERACTIVE MEDIA AAS DEGREE (3614)

The Interactive Media degree provides students with the interdisciplinary, theoretical, and application knowledge in the design, development, and production of interactive media, including web-based and other emerging media. Students will learn to create interactive design solutions for a variety of media such as websites, digital interfaces, and applications. The Interactive Media degree program consists of a minimum of 64 credits in General Education and program requirements. The following list contains the required courses.

Suggested Course Sequence (Full-Time Enrollment)

FIRST SEMESTER (15 credits)

GRDSN 1100	Drawing for Design	3
GRDSN 1101	Digital Graphic Applications	3
GRDSN 1102	Graphic Design 1	3
CIS 1310	HTML and CSS	3
ENGLI	English 1101 or 1105	3

SECOND SEMESTER (17 credits)

GRDSN 1104	Typography	3
GRDSN 1105	Graphic Design 2	3
GRDSN 2200	User Experience Design	3
CIS 1120	The Internet	2
SPEEC	Speech 1100, 1120 or 1150	3
MATH	Mathematics course	3

THIRD SEMESTER (16 credits)

GRDSN 2201	Graphic Design 3	3
GRDSN 2202	Web/Interactive Design 1	3
CIS 1400	Programming Logic and Technique	4
Elective	Choose from approved list	3
GEN ED	Physical and Life Sciences Course	3

FOURTH SEMESTER (15 credits)

GRDSN 2206	Web/Interactive Design 2	3
ART	Choose one: 2211, 2212, 2213, or 2214	3
CIS 2320	JavaScript and Advanced HTML	3
Elective	Choose from approved list	3
GEN ED	Social & Behavioral Science Course	3

Total credit hours.....64-67

Program Electives

Select six credit hours from the elective course list below:

CIS 1300	Web Design Software	3
CIS 1510	Graphical User Interface Programming	4
CIS 2330	Introduction to XML	3
CIS 2510	Adv Graphical User Interface Programming	4
MPTV 1011	Introduction to Motion Picture and Television	3
MPTV 1020	Editing for Motion Picture and Television	3
MPTV 1324	Motion Graphics and Special Effects 1	3
MPTV 2331	3-D Animation 1	3
MPTV 2333	Motion Graphics and Special Effects 2	3