

Northern Illinois University Transfer Guide

**AAS in Graphic Design, College of DuPage to:
BFA in Visual Communication, Northern Illinois University**

Transfer Guidelines

Northern Illinois University participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI). Students who complete the AAS and transfer to Northern Illinois University School of Art and Design will be eligible for the IAI and can transfer and continue the Visual Communication major.

The Visual Communication program is limited admission and will require portfolio review. To apply visit:
<http://www.niu.edu/admissions/>

Total Credit hours to earn BFA degree: 122 (student must take 66 from AAS degree + 56 at NIU).

Total full semesters needed to complete requirements at NIU: 4 (2 years). This agreement is based on successful degree completion at COD of the AAS Graphic Design into BFA (Visual Communication) at NIU

Special requirements at NIU: Students must successfully complete a review of their senior project during ARTD 406.

Students must present an entrance portfolio, be interviewed by the visual communication faculty, and pass the portfolio review for admission into the visual communication area of study before registering for ARTD 201, a course offered only in fall semester. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.00 in the following courses to continue in the visual communication program.

College of DuPage Courses	Credits	NIU Equivalent
AAS – Graphic Design.	66	BFA Visual Communication
General Education Requirements18		
1100 INTRO TO THE VISUAL ARTS	3	ARTH 282
2212 ART HISTORY II; 1300 – 1750	3	ARTH 292
1101 ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3	ENGL 103 FOUNDATION I
1102 ENGLISH COMPOSITION II	3	ENGL 203; FOUNDATION II
1220 QUANTITATIVE LITERACY	3	MATH 101
1100 GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	3	PSYC 102
Program requirements		
GRDSN1100 Drawing for Design	3	Art 100/Art 101
GRDSN1101 Digital Graphic Applications	3	Art 102
GRDSN 1102 Graphic Design I	3	ARTD 201 Intro to Vis Com
GRDSN1104 Typography	3	ARTD 211 Typography
GRDSN 1105 Graphic Design II	3	ARTD 212 Type and Image
GRDSN 1106 3-D Design	3	ART 103
GRDSN 1107 digital Illustration I	3	101 TR
GRDSN 1108 Digital Illustration Design II	3	101 TR
GRDSN 2200 User Experience Design	3	301 TR
GRDSN 2201 Graphic Design III	3	301 TR
GRDSN 2202 Web/Interactive Design I	3	301 TR
GRDSN 2203 Advertising Design	3	301 TR
GRDSN 2204 Digital Illustration III	3	Studio Elective
GRDSN 2205 Graphic Design IV	3	Vis Com Elective
GRDSN 2206 Web/Interactive Design II	3	301TR
GRDSN 2208 Portfolio Seminar	3	Studio Elective
2 years at Northern Illinois University		
ARTD 311 Intermediate Vis Com I	4	The suggested College of DuPage general education requirements transfer to NIU and meet our general education requirements.
ARTD 312 Intermediate Vis Com II	4	
ARTD 318 Interaction Design I	4	The suggested College of DuPage general education requirements transfer to NIU and meet our general education requirements.
ARTD 319 Interaction Design II	4	
ARTD 405 Professional Practices in Design	4	201 — Intro to Visual Communication Equivalent: GRDSN 1102 Graphic Design I
ARTD 411 Advanced Vis Com I	4	
ARTD 412 Advanced Vis Com II	4	ARTD 211 — Typography Equivalent: GRDSN 1104 Typography
ARTD 406 Senior Project	4	
ARTH Elective	3	ARTD 212 — Type and Image Equivalent: GRDSN 1105 Graphic Design II
ARTH Elective	3	
Remaining gen ed requirements	15	
Elective	3	
Total	122	