

# Design Major Program Requirements

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Western Washington University – Department of Design

## BACHELORS OF FINE ARTS

Students are first admitted to the program as pre-majors through a portfolio review. As pre-majors, they gain access to all the 200-level courses. At the end of the 200-level series, pre-majors can apply for the BFA major through a second portfolio review. If admitted, they start taking the upper division courses in the spring. Students who successfully complete the 200 sequence but are not admitted in the major will be awarded a design minor. Students admitted in

the major are required to maintain a **2.5 cumulative GPA**. Students are advised that most classes listed below are **ONLY** offered during specific quarters, and they need to be taken in a linear order, as they are pre-requisites for the following classes. To be on track with graduation, please meet with an advisor for best scheduling.

	FIRST & SECOND YEAR REQUIRED COURSES		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
F	DSGN 111 (GUR)	Design View	3 credits	--
	DSGN 210	Design Technology	5 credits	pre-major status
	DSGN 212	Graphic Design 1	5 credits	pre-major status
W	DSGN 211 (GUR)	Foundations of Visual Communication	3 credits	--
	DSGN 213	Drawing	5 credits	DSGN210, DSGN212, pre-major status
	DSGN 230	Type 1	5 credits	DSGN210, DSGN212, pre-major status
<b>BFA Portfolio Review – March</b>				
S	DSGN 312	Graphic Design in the 20th Century	4 credits	DSGN213, DSGN230, major status
	DSGN 351	Design Production	5 credits	DSGN213, DSGN230, major status
	DSGN 362	Motion 1	5 credits	DSGN213, DSGN230, major status
	THIRD YEAR REQUIRED COURSES		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
F	DSGN 310	Principles of Interaction Design	3 credits	DSGN312, DSGN351, DSGN362, major status
	DSGN 331	Type 2	5 credits	DSGN312, DSGN351, DSGN362, major status
	DSGN 363	Motion 2	5 credits	DSGN312, DSGN351, DSGN362, major status
W	DSGN 340	Graphic Design 2	5 credits	DSGN310, DSGN331, DSGN363, major status
	DSGN 371	Digital Media 1	5 credits	DSGN310, DSGN331, DSGN363, major status
S	DSGN 341	Graphic Design 3	5 credits	DSGN340, DSGN371, major status
	DSGN 372	Digital Media Design 2	5 credits	DSGN340, DSGN371, major status
	DSGN 482	Professional Practices	4 credits	DSGN340, DSGN371, major status
SUMMER PRACTICUM			<b>6—10 credits</b> may be combined from the following options	
	DSGN 375	Design Abroad	5—7 credits	major status or instructor's consent
	DSGN 489	Internship	1—10 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
	DSGN 490	Visual Lab	1—6 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
	FOURTH YEAR REQUIRED COURSES		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
F	DSGN 483	Senior Seminar	6 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
	DSGN 483	Senior Seminar	6 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
W	DSGN 481	Workshop	2 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
	DSGN 483	Senior Seminar	6 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
S	DSGN 483	Senior Seminar	6 credits	DSGN341, DSGN372, DSGN482, major status
	DSGN 486	Portfolio	6 credits	18 credits of DSGN483, DSGN481, major status
<b>ELECTIVES</b> can be taken any quarter, chose one from			<b>3 credits</b>	
	A/HI 210	History of Architecture		--
	A/HI 240	Visual Culture Western Europe 19th Century		--
	A/HI 241	Visual Culture Western Europe and America 20th Century		--
	A/HI 250	Arts of Africa pre-1900		--
	A/HI 270	Visual Culture South and Southeast Asia		--
	A/HI 271	Visual Culture East Asia		--
<b>TOTAL MAJOR REQUIREMENTS</b>			<b>118—122 CREDITS</b>	