

Degree:	Bachelor of Arts	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Graphic Design	Credits required in major:	48
Concentration:	Publication Design	Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:	8

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTH 105 Introduction to Visual Culture	3	ARTS 110 Drawing I	3
ARTS 105 Foundation Studio	3	DSGN 110 Design Thinking	3
ARTS 106 Fundamentals of Visual Design	3	GRDE 136 Design Lab	3
CCCX 1** First Semester Experience (Core)	3	ENGL 112 Writing and Rhetoric II (Core)	3
ENGL 111 Writing and Rhetoric I (Core)	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTH 225 History of Communication Design	3	GRDE 232 Graphic Design II: Semiotics and Form	3
GRDE 231 Graphic Design I: Form and Structure	3	GRDE 238 Typography for Graphic Design	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	CCCX 2** Creative Communities (Core)	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
GRDE 240 Website Design I	3	GRDE 305 Publication Design	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	GRDE 331 Graphic Design III: Visual Identity and Narrative	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	CCCX 3** Innovation and Impact (Core)	3
College-Wide Elective	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	3	College-Wide Elective	3
7th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	8th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
COLL 200 Internship	0	GRDE 332 Graphic Design IV: Narrative and Research Studio or GRDE 348 Experimental Typography or JOUR 484 College Magazine Workshop (6 credit hours)	3
DSGN 350 Portfolio	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
GRDE 315 Book Design	3	College-Wide Elective	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	College-Wide Elective	3
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Notes on the Four-Year Student Degree Plan:

This degree plan is a suggested sequence only. Students should consult with their Academic Advisors and Academic Departments to develop their unique individual plans.

Essential LAS Core Requirements include English, Mathematics, Sciences, Literature, Humanities, History, and Social Sciences. **Columbia Experience Core Requirements** include First-Semester Experience, Creative Communities, and Innovation and Impact courses.

Major Electives include courses required to be completed to finish a major, and students will choose from a list of Major Electives in the course catalog.

College-Wide Electives include all courses and credits not specifically applied towards the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete 6 credits of **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)** coursework. All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete 9 credits of **advanced (200 or higher level)** coursework in the Columbia Core.

Students are encouraged to consider declaring a Minor to complete their required College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status at Columbia College Chicago is a minimum of 12 attempted credits per semester, but the cost of tuition is the same for 12-16 attempted credits. Students are encouraged to attempt 15-16 credits each semester for financial reasons and to complete their degree (120-128 minimum credits) in a timely fashion.

Degree:	Bachelor of Arts	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Graphic Design	Credits required in major:	48
Concentration:	Publication Design	Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:	4

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTH 105 Introduction to Visual Culture	3	ARTS 110 Drawing I	3
ARTS 105 Foundation Studio	3	DSGN 110 Design Thinking	3
ARTS 106 Fundamentals of Visual Design	3	GRDE 231 Graphic Design I: Form and Structure	3
GRDE 136 Design Lab	3	GRDE 240 Website Design I	3
College-Wide Elective	3	CCCX 3** Innovation and Impact (Core)	3
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
ARTH 225 History of Communication Design	3	DSGN 350 Portfolio	3
COLL 200 Internship	0	GRDE 305 Publication Design	3
GRDE 232 Graphic Design II: Semiotics and Form	3	GRDE 315 Book Design	3
GRDE 238 Typography for Graphic Design	3	GRDE 331 Graphic Design III: Visual Identity and Narrative	3
College-Wide Elective	3	GRDE 348 Experimental Typography or GRDE 332 Graphic Design IV (Permission required to take concurrently with GRDE 331 Graphic Design III) or JOUR 484 College Magazine Workshop (6 credit hours)	3
College-Wide Elective	3		

Notes on the Transfer Student Degree Plan:

This degree plan assumes a student is starting at Columbia with a **minimum of 60 credits in transfer** and the completion of the Essential LAS Core Requirements. **This degree plan is a suggested sequence only.** Students should consult with their Academic Advisors and Academic Departments to develop their unique individual plans.

Essential LAS Core Requirements include English, Mathematics, Sciences, Literature, Humanities, History, and Social Sciences. **Columbia Experience Core Requirements** include First-Semester Experience, Creative Communities, and Innovation and Impact courses.

Major Electives include courses required to be completed to finish a major, and students will choose from a list of Major Electives in the course catalog.

College-Wide Electives include all courses and credits not specifically applied towards the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete 6 credits of **Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)** coursework. All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete 9 credits of **advanced (200 or higher level)** coursework in the Columbia Core.

Students are encouraged to consider declaring a Minor to complete their required College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status at Columbia College Chicago is a minimum of 12 attempted credits per semester, but the cost of tuition is the same for 12-16 attempted credits. Students are encouraged to attempt 15-16 credits each semester for financial reasons and to complete their degree (120-128 minimum credits) in a timely fashion.