

<b>Degree:</b>	<b>Bachelor of Fine Arts</b>	<b>Credits required for degree:</b>	<b>128</b>
<b>Major:</b>	<b>Graphic Design</b>	<b>Credits required in major:</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>Concentration:</b>		<b>Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:</b>	<b>8</b>

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
ARTH 105 Introduction to Visual Culture	3	ARTS 105 Foundation Studio	3
DSGN 110 Design Thinking	3	ARTS 110 Drawing I	3
ARTS 106 Fundamentals of Visual Design	3	GRDE 136 Design Lab	3
ENGL 111 Writing and Rhetoric I (Core)	3	ENGL 112 Writing and Rhetoric II (Core)	3
CCCX 1** First Semester Experience (Core)	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
College-Wide Elective	1	College-Wide Elective	1
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
GRDE 231 Graphic Design I	3	GRDE 238 Typography for Graphic Design	3
GRDE 240 Website Design I	3	GRDE 232 Graphic Design II	3
CCCX 2** Creative Communities (Core)	3	ARTH 225 History of Communication Design	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
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College-Wide Elective	1	College-Wide Elective	1
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
GRDE 331 Graphic Design III	3	GRDE 332 Graphic Design IV	3
GRDE 305 Publication Design	3	GRDE 340 Website Design II	3
GRDE 317 Photo Communication	3	ANIM 270 Motion Graphics I	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	CCCX 3** Innovation and Impact (Core)	3
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College-Wide Elective	1	College-Wide Elective	1
7th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	8th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>16</b>
GRDE 431 Graphic Design V	3	GRDE 480 Graphic Design Practicum	6
DSGN 350 Portfolio	3	BUSE 130 Business of Design	3
GRDE 348 Experimental Typography	3	ARTS 333 Letterpress Studio or ARTS 336 Design Lab II	3
COLL 200 Internship (may also take COLL 201 or COLL 203)	0	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3	College-Wide Elective	1
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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 12-18 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.

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<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>
ARTH 105 Introduction to Visual Culture	3	ARTS 105 Foundation Studio	3
DSGN 110 Design Thinking	3	ARTS 110 Drawing I	3
GRDE 136 Design Lab	3	GRDE 231 Graphic Design I	3
ARTS 106 Fundamentals of Visual Design	3	GRDE 240 Website Design I	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
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>
GRDE 232 Graphic Design II	3	GRDE 331 Graphic Design III	3
GRDE 238 Typography for Graphic Design	3	GRDE 305 Publication Design	3
ARTH 225 History of Communication Design	3	GRDE 317 Photo Communication	3
GRDE 340 Website Design II	3	ANIM 270 Motion Graphics I	3
COLL 200 Internship (may also take COLL 201 or COLL 203)	0		
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Total Semester Credit Hours</b>	<b>12</b>
GRDE 332 Graphic Design IV	3	GRDE 431 Graphic Design V	3
BUSE 130 Business of Design	3	DSGN 350 Portfolio	3
GRDE 348 Experimental Typography	3	GRDE 480 Graphic Design Practicum	6
GRDE 336 Design Lab II or ARTS 333 Letterpress Studio	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.

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