# University Core and Graduation Requirements

## University Core Requirements:

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* These courses fill both University Core and program requirements. For University Core/program questions, contact the Advisement Center. For career questions, see the faculty advisor.

## Graduation Requirements:

- Minimum residence hours required: 30.0
- Minimum hours needed to graduate: 120.0

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## Suggested Sequence of Courses

### FRESHMAN YEAR

**1st Semester**
- First-Year Writing or A HTG 100: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- DESGD 145: 3.0
- ARTHC 201*: 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 4.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

**2nd Semester**
- A HTG 100 or First-Year Writing: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- ARTHC 202*: 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 7.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

After successful completion of DESGD 145, submit an online portfolio of work for acceptance into the pre-BFA. See Admission section for application deadlines.

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

**3rd Semester**
- DES 111R: 1.5
- DESGD 243: 3.0
- DESGD 245: 3.0
- DESGD 340: 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 5.5
- Total Hours: 15.0

**4th Semester**
- DESGD 280: 3.0
- DESGD 217: 1.5
- BUSM 170 or 241 or COMMS 230 or STDEV 317: 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 8.5
- Total Hours: 16.0

With works completed in DESGD 243, 245 and 280, apply to the Graphic Design BFA program via portfolio review. Contact department for application deadlines.

### JUNIOR YEAR

**5th Semester**
- DES 111R: 0.5
- DESGD 340: 3.0
- DESGD 343: 3.0
- DESGD 360 (or DESGD 380): 3.0
- Program elective(s) (see approved options): 3.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

**6th Semester**
- DES 390: 3.0
- DESGD 340 (or DESGD 380): 3.0
- DESGD 341: 3.0
- Program electives (see approved options): 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 3.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

### SENIOR YEAR

**7th Semester**
- DESGD 488: 2.0
- DESGD 441R: 3.0
- DESGD 440: 3.0
- Program elective(s) (see approved options): 3.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 3.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

**8th Semester**
- DESGD 442: 3.0
- DESGD 497: 1.0
- DESGD 488: 2.0
- Program elective(s) (see approved options): 4.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 5.0
- Total Hours: 15.0

Note: This degree program requires a minimum of 120 hours for graduation. Students are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credit hours each semester or 30 credit hours each year, which could include spring and/or summer term. Taking fewer credits substantially increases the cost and the number of semesters to graduate.
The Graphic Design BFA program is a limited enrollment program requiring department admissions approval. Interested students should declare their pre-major intent, complete DESGD 145 and submit an online portfolio of their work. Pre-major application deadlines are at the end of Fall semester, Winter semester, and Spring term. Students accepted into the pre-major program complete the foundational courses and then may apply for the BFA professional program through a portfolio review in June.

REQUIREMENT 1: Complete 1 course

**PREREQUISITE COURSE:**

DESGD 145 - Design 1

Apply for pre-BFA status via portfolio review.

REQUIREMENT 2: Complete 3 courses

**FOUNDATIONAL COURSES:**

DESGD 243 - Typography 1
DESGD 245 - Design 2
DESGD 280 - Media Design 1

Apply to the Graphic Design BFA program via portfolio review.

REQUIREMENT 3: Complete 9 courses

**AFTER ADMISSION TO THE MAJOR, COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:**

DE 217 - Design Thinking
DESGD 340 - Branding 1
DESGD 341 - 3-Dimensional Design
DESGD 343 - Typography 2
DESGD 360 - Interaction Design 1
DESGD 380 - Motion 1
DESGD 440 - Branding 2
DESGD 441R - Design Lab
DESGD 442 - Portfolio

REQUIREMENT 4: Complete 13.0 hours from the following course(s)

ANTHR 442 - Ethnographic Research Design and Methods
ANTHR 443 - (Not currently offered)
ART 130 - Bookbinding
DESGD 394R - Special Topics
DESGD 248R - Letterpress Studio
DESGD 394R - Special Topics
DESGD 460 - Interaction Design 2
DESGD 480 - Motion 2

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BFA in Graphic Design (488034)

2019-2020 Program Requirements (72.5 - 73.5 Credit Hours)

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<td>COMM 230</td>
<td>Introduction to Advertising</td>
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<td>ENT 101</td>
<td>Introduction to Entrepreneurship</td>
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<td>MKTG 201</td>
<td>Marketing Management</td>
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<td>STDEV 317</td>
<td>Career Strategies for Employment and Internships</td>
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**THE DISCIPLINE:**

The Graphic Design program at BYU simulates a professional studio experience with students working to solve complex visual problems. As members of small cohort groups, students complete a variety of individual and collaborative projects under close faculty direction. The program has a history of producing award-winning student work and enjoys an established international reputation. A successful internship program in major design centers provides a bridge to professional practice and excellent job placement.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:**

Graphic Designers work in a wide array of design-related disciplines including branding, product design, publishing, interaction design, web design, mobile app development, experience design, service design, motion graphics, and data visualization. Designers often work in traditional design studios, interactive agencies, advertising agencies, and corporate design positions. They also work as design entrepreneurs, freelancers or in design management positions.

**ADMISSIONS:**

**Prospective BYU Students:** Prospective students wishing to be admitted into the graphic design program should apply to BYU through the regular admissions process at: https://www.byu.edu/admissions. Admissions deadlines are available at: https://admissions.byu.edu/application-deadlines. Admission to BYU does not guarantee admission into Department of Design degree programs. Prospective students are strongly encouraged to apply for department talent scholarships by the department deadline in January.

**Department Admissions:** Graphic Design is a limited enrollment program which requires students to apply for acceptance through a department admissions process. Admitted BYU students should declare their intent to major in graphic design, before enrolling in DESGD 145, the pre-requisite course. Upon the successful completion of DESGD 145, students should submit an online portfolio of work for review. Reviews are held at the end of Fall and Winter semester and Spring term. Apply online at: https://designdept.slideroom.com. Successful applicants go on to complete additional pre-major courses before applying for admissions to the Graphic Design BFA major.

**Major Admissions:** Upon completion of all pre-major courses, students apply for admission to the BFA major through a portfolio review held in June each year. Contact the department office in E509 HFAC for more information.

**Transfer Students.** Transfer students applying for admittance to the Department of Design are asked to submit an application and a portfolio on https://designdept.slideroom.com. Transfer applications for the Department of Design are reviewed year round by the graphic design program. At the discretion of the area faculty, students are accepted into the department and placed at the appropriate level of study. Transfer applications are contingent upon acceptance into BYU, which is a separate application process. Admission to the department does not guarantee admission to Brigham Young University. Refer to BYU deadlines at https://enrollment.byu.edu/admissions/deadlines.
Note: Students may apply to the Graphic Design pre-major and major programs twice.

**TALENT AWARDS AND DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIPS:**

All students are encouraged to apply for department talent awards and other scholarships by the December 1st deadline. Online applications will open on November 1st. Apply at [https://designdept.slideroom.com](https://designdept.slideroom.com).

**INTERNSHIPS:**

Students are highly encouraged to complete their internship after their Junior year in the program. Students should meet with faculty advisors for advisement about location and type of internship that will best prepare them for success in the industry.

**EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

Graphic Design majors are required to supply their own computer to complete the majority of their coursework. In certain courses, highly specialized technology is made available in department labs and classrooms.

Recommended Configuration: Apple MacBook Pro (or equivalent Windows PC) with sufficient capacity to support Adobe Creative Cloud (including Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere, After Effects, Experience Design). Students’ Adobe subscriptions should also include access to Adobe Fonts (formerly known as Typekit). Minimum recommended specifications include 16 gb RAM, and 500 gb hard drive. The BYU Store carries a full line of discounted computers, accessories and discounted software subscriptions.

Students are required to backup their computers in all graphic design classes. It is recommended that they sign up for storage from BOX through BYU for unlimited storage: http://box.byu.edu; additionally, it is encouraged for students to have a second automatic cloud backup for all files through Backblaze, iDrive, Dropbox, or Google Drive or a similar service.

**DESIGN EDUCATION LICENSURE:**

Licensure as a K-12 art and design educator is available in conjunction with a Graphic Design BFA degree through the Art Education licensure program in the Department of Art. The licensure program prepares students with a design background for teaching opportunities through a series of courses, including student teaching.

**DEGREE PROGRAM ADVISEMENT:**

Students should contact the college advisement center located in D-444 of the Harris Fine Arts Center, or call 801-422-3777 for information concerning undergraduate programs in the Department of Design. Program coordinators are also appointed to counsel students about program objectives, course content and sequence, career goals, and other matters pertaining to the Graphic Design major.

The advisor for this major is:

Brent Barson  
C-502E HFAC  
Brigham Young University  
Provo, UT 84602  
For appointments with Brent or other graphic design faculty, please email: byuresourceroom@gmail.com

**MAP DISCLAIMER**

While every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, there are some student populations that could have exceptions to listed requirements. Please refer to the university catalog and your college advisement center/department for complete guidelines.

**DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

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