



**2005 – 06 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET**  
**Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts**  
**Major: Graphic Design**  
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**About This Major . . .**

In addition to design theory and skills, industry standards for prepress production, web design, and illustration are the focus of this major. The latest versions of software are incorporated into the curriculum, and students are encouraged to work in their field while in school. An off-campus internship assists students in getting their first design job and gain first-hand experience in the professional field. The successful Graphic Design degree candidate is prepared to work in a design studio or agency upon graduation.

**POLICIES:**

1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the MSC Catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office **by September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the **semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.**
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it is your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.
7. NOTE: The semester before graduation, you may be required to take a Major Field Achievement Test (exit exam).

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STUDENT ID #** \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I, (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_, hereby certify that I have completed (or will complete) all the courses listed on the Program Sheet. I further certify that the grade listed for those courses is the final course grade received except for the courses in which I am currently enrolled and the courses which I complete next semester. I have indicated the semester in which I will complete these courses.

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Signature of Advisor Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Department Head Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Registrar Date \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_

- Must earn 120 semester hours and meet the academic residency requirements to earn a baccalaureate degree at Mesa State College.
- Must earn a minimum of 40 semester hours in upper division courses (i.e., 300-level and 400-level courses).
- A cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher must be maintained for all courses taken and for all courses in the major.
- Must maintain at least a 3.0 average in their upper division GRAR courses.
- No more than 6 semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- When filling out this program sheet a course can only be used once, i.e., no double counting is allowed between categories.
- Excess HPWE courses beyond the two required and pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- All degree requirements must be completed as described. Any exceptions or substitutions must be recommended in advance by the faculty advisor and approved by the Department Head.
- It is recommended that students work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting courses and scheduling classes prior to registration.
- Students are required to participate in exit examinations or other programs deemed necessary to comply with the college accountability requirement.

**General Education Requirements** (Minimum of 33 semester hours) See the M.S.C. catalog for the list of courses that meet the general education categories.

Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs	Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs
<b>English:</b> ENGL 111 and 112 (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or higher, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)							<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences:</b> (6 Semester Hours)						
*ENGL	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
*ENGL	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	<b>Fine Arts:</b> (3 semester hours)						
*ENGL 129, Honors English, may be substituted for ENGL 111 and ENGL 112. Must earn a grade of "C" or better. May need to take additional electives.							_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Math:</b> MATH 110 or higher (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)							<b>Natural Sciences:</b> (6 semester hours) (At least one course must include a lab)						
MATH	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Humanities:</b> (6 semester hours)							<b>Applied Studies:</b> (3 semester hours)						
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

**Other Requirements** (9 semester hours)

<b>Human Performance and Wellness:</b> (3 Semester Hours)							<b>Bachelor of Arts Degree Distinction:</b> (6 semester hours) (Two consecutive classes in the same foreign language.)						
Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs	Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs
HPWA	100	1	_____	_____	_____	_____	FLA	_____	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
HPWE	_____	1	_____	_____	_____	_____	FLA	_____	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
HPWE	_____	1	_____	_____	_____	_____	See the M.S.C. catalog for the list of approved HPWE Activity courses. (FLAS 114 & 115 will NOT fulfill this requirement.) (Must receive a grade of "C" or above.)						

**Graphic Design Major Requirements (66 semester hours)**

All Graphic Design majors must maintain at least a 3.0 average in their upper division GRAR courses.

<b>Art Core</b> (36 semester hours)							<b>Art Studio 300 Level</b> (3 semester hours selected from ARTE 371, ARTE 372, or ARTE 391)						
Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs	Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs
*ARTE	101	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	ARTE	251	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
*ARTE	102	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	ARTE	291	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
ARTE	118	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	ARTE	315	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
ARTE	119	1	_____	_____	_____	_____	ARTE	316	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
*ARTE	151	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	ARTE	351	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Art Studio 200 Level</b> (3 semester hours selected from ARTE 271 or ARTE 272)							* Need a "B" or higher						
ARTE	2	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	ARTE	3	3	_____	_____	_____	_____

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**Graphic Design Concentration:** (30 Semester Hours)

Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs	Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs
*GRAR	215	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	GRAR	338	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
*GRAR	221	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	GRAR	405	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
GRAR	301	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	GRAR	450	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
GRAR	320	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	GRAR	493	3	_____	_____	_____	_____
GRAR	337	3	_____	_____	_____	_____	GRAR	499	3	_____	_____	_____	_____

\* Need a "B" or higher.

- All GRAR courses must be taken in sequence, i.e., all 200-level courses must be completed before 300-level may be taken and 300-level courses must be completed before 400-level may be taken.
- A formal application to the Graphic Art program must be completed after earning a "B" or higher in ARTE 101, ARTE 102, ARTE 151, GRAR 215, and GRAR 221.

**Electives** (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, **not listed above** that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. Excludes HPWE activity courses.) (12 semester hours; additional upper division hours may be needed.)

Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs	Course	No.	Credit	Grade	Term	Year	Trns/Subs
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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## GRADUATION INFORMATION

See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the Mesa State College catalog for additional graduation information.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS** (Minimum of 33 Semester hours) See current Mesa State College catalog for list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If one (or more) of the selections below is required in your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and **make a different selection to meet the general education requirement. The courses may not be used to fulfill both requirements.**

**English – 6 Semester hours** (Must be **completed** before student has 60 semester hours. Must receive grade of "C" or above.)  
ENGL 111 and ENGL 112 **or** ENGL 129 (*by permission*)

**Mathematics – 3 Semester hours** chosen from: MATH 110 **or higher**  
(Must be **completed** before student has 60 semester hours. Must receive grade of "C" or above.)

**Humanities – 6 semester hours**

**Social and Behavioral Sciences – 6 semester hours**

**Fine Arts – 3 semester hours**

**Natural Sciences – 6 semester hours** (At least one course must include a lab.)

**Applied Studies – 3 semester hours**

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS (9 Semester Hours)

**Human Performance and Wellness – 3 Semester Hours**  
Each student must take HPWA 100 together with two HPWE Activity courses. See current catalog for listing.

**Degree Distinction – 6 Semester Hours**  
\*(Two **consecutive** classes in the same foreign language.) Select from one of the following sequences:

FLAF 111 *followed by* FLAF 112                      **or**                      FLAG 111 *followed by* FLAG 112  
Or FLAS 111 *followed by* FLAS 112                      **or**                      FLAS 117 *followed by* FLAS 118

\*(FLAS 114 & 115 will **NOT** fulfill this requirement. Two **consecutive** classes in the **same** foreign language. **Must** receive a grade of "C" or above in **both** classes.)

## **Graphic Design (66 Semester Hours)**

All Graphic Design majors must maintain at least a 3.0 average in their **upper division GRAR** courses.

### **Art Core (36 Semester Hours)**

- ARTE 101 Two-Dimensional Design
- ARTE 102 Three-Dimensional Design
- ARTE 118 History of Art – Prehistory to Renaissance
- ARTE 119 History of Art – Renaissance to Present
- ARTE 151 Basic Drawing
- ARTE 251 Figure Drawing
- ARTE 291 Painting
- ARTE 315 Nineteenth-Century Art
- ARTE 316 Twentieth-Century Art
- ARTE 351 Drawing
- ARTE Studio 200 Level (Choose one of the following):
  - ARTE 271 Printmaking – Relief and Intaglio (Fall)
  - or** ARTE 272 Printmaking – Lithography (Spring)
- ARTE Studio 300 Level (Choose one of the following):
  - ARTE 371 Printmaking – Relief and Intaglio (Fall)
  - or** ARTE 372 Printmaking – Lithography (Spring)
  - or** ARTE 391 Painting (Fall/Spring)

### **Graphic Design Concentration (30 Semester Hours)**

- GRAR 215 Graphic Design I
- GRAR 221 Graphic Design II
- GRAR 301 Computer Illustration
- GRAR 320 Letterforms and Typography
- GRAR 337 Applied Illustration
- GRAR 338 Advertising Design I
- GRAR 405 Web Site Design
- GRAR 450 Corporate Design
- GRAR 493 Portfolio Construction
- GRAR 499 Internship

### **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- (1) In an effort to meet industry standards, Macintosh computers are used exclusively in all computer-based GRAR courses. Majors are strongly advised to consider purchasing a Macintosh and related print and web publication software for personal use.
- (2) Progression requirements: All Graphic Design courses must be taken in sequence. All required 200 level courses must be completed before 300 level courses may be taken. All required 300 level courses must be completed before 400 level courses may be taken.
- (3) Admission in the program after the sophomore year will be contingent upon the student's satisfying the following requirements:
  - (a) Completion of Graphic Art Admission Application Form.
  - (b) Complete of ARTE 101 Two-Dimensional Design, ARTE 102 Three-Dimensional Design, ARTE 151 Basic Drawing, GRAR 215 Graphic Design I, and GRAR 221 Graphic Design II, with a grade of B or A.
  - (c) 3.0 GPA or better in the major.

**General Electives: 12 Semester Hours;** 4-7 semester hours of upper division credit may be needed.

Students are required to participate in exit examinations or other programs deemed necessary to comply with the college accountability requirement. All degree requirements must be completed as described above. Any exceptions or substitutions must be recommended in advance by the faculty advisor and approved by the Department Head.

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN

### FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
ENGL 111 English Composition	3	ENGL 112 English Composition	3
MATH XXX (110 or higher)	3	General Education Natural Science	3
ARTE 118 History of Art, Prehistory to Renaissance	3	General Education Social/Behavioral Science	3
ARTE 101 Two-Dimensional Design	3	ARTE 119 History of Art, Renaissance to Present	3
ARTE 151 Basic Drawing	<u>3</u>	ARTE 102 Three-Dimensional Design	<u>3</u>
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### SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
General Education Humanities	3	General Education Applied Studies	3
General Education Natural Science with Lab	4	HPWA 100 Health and Wellness	1
ARTE 291 Painting	3	HPWE Activity	1
ARTE 251 Figure Drawing	3	HPWE Activity	1
GRAR 215 Graphic Design I	<u>3</u>	General Education Fine Arts	3
	16	ARTE 200-Level Studio Printmaking	3
		GRAR 221 Graphic Design II	<u>3</u>
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### JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
Degree Distinction Foreign Language	3	Degree Distinction Foreign Language	3
GRAR 320 Letterforms and Typography	3	ARTE 316 Twentieth-Century Art	3
GRAR 301 Computer Illustration	3	GRAR 337 Applied Illustration I	3
ARTE 200 Level Studio	3	GRAR 338 Advertising Design	3
ARTE 315 Nineteenth-Century Art	<u>3</u>	General Education Humanities	<u>3</u>
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### SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
General Education Social/Behavioral Science	3	GRAR 493 Portfolio Construction	3
GRAR 450 Corporate Design	3	GRAR 499 Internship	3
GRAR 405 Web Site Design	3	GRAR Elective	3
ARTE 351 Drawing	3	Elective or Minor	3
Elective or Minor	<u>3</u>	Elective or Minor	<u>2</u>
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#### Possible Graphic Art Electives:

GRAR 425 Animation  
 GRAR 339 Advertising Design II (Fall)  
 GRAR Topics  
 HUMA 300 History and Development of Books  
 ARTE 451 Advanced Drawing  
 GRAR 437 Applied Illustration II (Spring)  
 ARTE 302 Native Arts of North America