



**2007 – 08 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET**  
**Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts**  
**Major: Graphic Design**  
[www.mesastate.edu/schools/shss/fpa/art/degrees.htm](http://www.mesastate.edu/schools/shss/fpa/art/degrees.htm)

**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 will be 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

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Date

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Signature of Department Head

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Signature of Registrar

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**Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.**

**Degree Requirements:**

- 120 semester hours total (A minimum of 28 taken at MSC)
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken within the major at MSC)
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all MSC coursework
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area
- 3.00 in upper division GRAR courses
- No more than 6 semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- Excess KINA courses beyond the two required and pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Program sheets are for advising purposes only. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, check with your advisor for additional guidelines, including prerequisites, grade point averages, grades, exit examinations, and other expectations. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all guidelines for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the faculty advisor and/or Department Head.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the Mesa State College catalog for additional graduation information.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS** (31 Semester Hours)

See the current Mesa State College catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

Course	No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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**English** (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

ENGL 111	English Composition	3	_____	_____
ENGL 112	English Composition	3	_____	_____

(ENGL 129, Honors English, may be substituted for ENGL 111 & ENGL 112.)

**Math:** 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.)

MATH 1	_____	_____	_____	_____
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**Humanities** (3 semester hours)

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**Social and Behavioral Sciences** (6 semester hours)

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**Natural Sciences** (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

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**History** (3 semester hours)

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**Fine Arts** (3 semester hours)

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**OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

**Kinesiology** (3 semester hours)

KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____
KINA 1	_____	1	_____	_____

**Applied Studies** (3 semester hours)

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**DEGREE DISTINCTION REQUIREMENTS** (6 semester hours)

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

FLA	_____	_____	_____	_____
FLA	_____	_____	_____	_____

**GRAPHIC DESIGN MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

(66 semester hours) Must pass all courses with a grade of "C" or higher. 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	3	_____	_____
*ARTE 102	Three-Dimensional Design	3	_____	_____
ARTE 118	History of Art – Prehistory to Renaissance	3	_____	_____
ARTE 119	History of Art – Renaissance to Present	3	_____	_____
*ARTE 151	Basic Drawing	3	_____	_____
ARTE 251	Figure Drawing	3	_____	_____
ARTE 291	Painting	3	_____	_____
ARTE 315	Nineteenth-Century Art	3	_____	_____
ARTE 316	Twentieth-Century Art	3	_____	_____
ARTE 351	Drawing	3	_____	_____

\*Need a "B" or higher

**Art Studio 200 Level**

(3 semester hours selected from ARTE 271 or ARTE 272)

ARTE 2	_____	3	_____	_____
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**Art Studio 300 Level**

(3 semester hours selected from ARTE 371, ARTE 372, or ARTE 391)

ARTE 3	_____	3	_____	_____
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**Graphic Design Concentration:** (30 Semester Hours)

*GRAR 215	Graphic Design I	3	_____	_____
*GRAR 221	Graphic Design II	3	_____	_____
GRAR 301	Computer Illustration	3	_____	_____
GRAR 320	Letterforms & Typography	3	_____	_____
GRAR 337	Applied Illustration	3	_____	_____
GRAR 338	Advertising Design I	3	_____	_____

Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns	Course No	Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
GRAR 405	Web Site Design	3	_____	_____	<b>Electives</b> (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, <b>not listed above</b> that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. Excludes KINA activity courses.) (11-12 semester hours; additional upper division hours may be needed.)				
GRAR 450	Corporate Design	3	_____	_____					
GRAR 493	Portfolio Construction	3	_____	_____					
GRAR 499	Internship	3	_____	_____					
*Need a "B" or higher					_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>					_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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**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) Completion 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

## SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN

This is a recommended sequence of course work. Certain courses may have prerequisites or are only offered during the Fall or Spring semesters. It is the student's responsibility to meet with their advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Mesa State website for course availability.

### FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester	Hours	Spring Semester	Hours
ENGL 111 English Composition	3	ENGL 112 English Composition	3
MATH 110	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 History	3	General Education Applied Studies	3
General Education Natural Science with Lab	4	KINE 100 Health and Wellness	1
ARTE 291 Painting	3	KINA Activity	1
ARTE 251 Figure Drawing	3	KINA Activity	1
GRAR 215 Graphic Design I	<u>3</u>	General Education Fine Arts	3
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		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 3__ 300 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	ARTE 451 Advanced Drawing
GRAR 339 Advertising Design II (Fall)	GRAR 437 Applied Illustration II (Spring)
GRAR Topics	HUMA 300 History and Development of Books
ARTE 302 Native Arts of North America	