2015-2016 PETITION/PROGRAM SHEET
Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts
Major: Graphic Design
Concentration: Visual Design

COLORADO MESA
U N I V E R S I T Y

About This Major . . .

The Graphic Design–Visual Design concentration focuses on established industry standards in print design, web design, and applied illustration. The Graphic Design Mac lab is furnished with Macintosh computers and the latest graphic design application software. Majors are strongly advised to purchase a Macintosh computer and corresponding software in order to become more individually proficient and productive. All Graphic Design courses have prerequisites. Entering students are encouraged to pay close attention to course sequencing and consult their advisor in order to complete the degree in four years. In addition, Graphic Design majors are required to complete an off-campus graphic design internship as a means of gaining applied experience in the profession. The successful Graphic Design degree candidate is prepared to enter professions within graphic design including advertising design, web design, corporate design, package design, illustration, and a myriad of related fields.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html.

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Interpret and apply formal elements and principles of design. (Specialized Knowledge)
2. Demonstrate application of tools, materials, techniques, and proper use and care for equipment through quality craftsmanship. (Applied Learning)
3. Generate individual response through concept and theory beyond formal elements to create personal content. (Communication Fluency)
4. Communicate clearly regarding the critical analysis of art and design both historical and contemporary. (Critical Thinking/ Communication Fluency)
5. Design and publish a professional portfolio that meets current industry standards. (Applied Learning)
6. Demonstrate technical, aesthetic, and conceptual decisions based on the application of the design process. (Specialized Knowledge)

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 have read and understand the policies listed on the last page of this 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.

_____   _____20_____
Signature of Advisor   Date

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Signature of Department Head   Date

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Signature of Registrar   Date

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- 120 semester hours total (Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher).
- 40 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken at the 300-400 course levels within the major at CMU).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework
- A grade of B or A in all coursework toward the major content area
- No more than 6 semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- A student must follow the CMU graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student's responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student's faculty advisor and Department Head.
- Essential Learning Capstone should be completed between 45 and 75 hours.
- See the "Undergraduate Graduation Requirements" in the catalog for additional graduation information.

ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS (31 semester hours)
See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

Course No Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns

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	_____	_____

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___ _____ ____ _____ _____

Humanities (3 semester hours)
_____ ____ _____ ____ _____ _____

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)
_____ ____ _____ ____ _____ _____
_____ ____ _____ ____ _____ _____

Natural Sciences (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)
_____ ____ _____ ____ _____ _____
_____ ____ _____ ____ _____ _____
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History (3 semester hours)
HIST ____ _____ ____ _____ _____

Fine Arts (3 semester hours)
_____ ____ _____ ____ _____ _____

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

Course No Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns

WELLNESS REQUIREMENT (2 semester hours)
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	_____	_____
KINA 1____	_____	1	_____	_____

ESSENTIAL LEARNING CAPSTONE (4 semester hours)
ESSL 290	Maverick Milestone (see English & math pre-reqs)	3	_____	_____
ESSL 200	Essential Speech (co-requisite)	1	_____	_____

FOUNDATION COURSES (15 semester hours)
Must pass all courses with a grade of "B" or higher.
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	_____	_____
ARTS 151	Foundation Drawing I	3	_____	_____

GRAPHIC DESIGN MAJOR REQUIREMENTS
(51 semester hours) Must pass all courses with a grade of "B" or higher. To continue in the program and eventually graduate as graphic design majors a student must earn, within no more than three attempts, at least a grade of "B" in the major requirements.

Art History Course (3 semester hours)
ARTH 324	History of Graphic Design	3	_____	_____

Graphic Design Courses (48 semester hours)
ARTG 122	Design It!	3	_____	_____
ARTG 215	Graphic Design I	3	_____	_____
ARTG 221	Graphic Design II	3	_____	_____
ARTG 222	Illustration I	3	_____	_____
ARTG 301	Computer Illustration	3	_____	_____
ARTG 320	Letterforms & Typography	3	_____	_____
ARTG 321	Advanced Typography	3	_____	_____
ARTG 333	Illustration II	3	_____	_____
ARTG 337	Illustration & Storyboard	3	_____	_____
ARTG 338	Advertising Design I	3	_____	_____
ARTS 360	Sketchbook	3	_____	_____
ARTG 401	Digital Painting	3	_____	_____
ARTG 405	Web Site Design	3	_____	_____
ARTG 406	Adv. Web Design	3	_____	_____
ARTG 450	Identity Design	3	_____	_____
ARTG 493	Portfolio Development	3	_____	_____

Electives (All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, **not listed above** that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. Excludes KINA activity courses.) (17 semester hours; additional upper division hours may be needed.)

Course No Title	Sem.hrs	Grade	Term/Trns
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(1) In an effort to meet industry standards, Macintosh computers are used exclusively in all computer-based ARTG courses. Majors are strongly advised to consider purchasing a Macintosh and related print and web publication software for personal use.

(2) ARTG 300-level courses and ARTG 400-level courses may be taken upon acceptance into the Graphic Design Program.

(3) Admission in the program after the sophomore year will be contingent upon the student's satisfying the following requirements:

(a) Completion of Graphic Design Admission Application Form.

(b) Completion of ARTE 101 Two-Dimensional Design, ARTE 102 Three-Dimensional Design, ARTG 215 Graphic Design I, ARTG 221 Graphic Design II, and ARTG 222 Illustration I with a grade of B or A.

(c) A grade of B or A in all coursework in the major.

(d) Successful completion of the Graphic Design entrance exam with a minimum score of 80%.

(e) Portfolio Review comprised of Graphic Design work that meets the established Portfolio Review Criteria.

(f) Transfer students must pass the Portfolio Review and entrance exam to be formally accepted into the Graphic Design Program.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING FOR A MAJOR IN GRAPHIC DESIGN – VISUAL 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 the assigned advisor and check the 2 year course matrix on the Colorado Mesa website for course availability.

FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall Semester		Hours	Spring Semester		Hours
ENGL 111	English Composition	3	ENGL 112	English Composition	3
MATH 110	Mathematics	3	ESSL	Natural Science	3
ARTE 101	Two-Dimensional Design	3	ESSL	Social/Behavioral Science	3
ARTS 151	Foundation Drawing I	3	ARTE 102	Three-Dimensional Design	3
ARTG 122	Design It!	3	ARTG 215	Graphic Design I	3
		15			15

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall Semester		Hours	Spring Semester		Hours
ESSL	History	3	ESSL 290	Maverick Milestone	3
ESSL	Natural Science with Lab	4	ESSL 200	Essential Speech	1
ARTG 221	Graphic Design II	3	ARTG 301	Computer Illustration	3
ARTG 222	Illustration I	3	ARTG 320	Letterforms and Typography	3
ARTE 118	History of Art, Prehistory to Ren	3	ARTG 333	Illustration II	3
		16	ARTE 119	History of Art, Ren to Present	3
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JUNIOR YEAR

Fall Semester		Hours	Spring Semester		Hours
ARTS 360	Sketchbook	3	ESSL	Humanities	3
ARTG 321	Advanced Typography	3	ARTH 324	History of Graphic Design	3
ARTG 405	Web Site Design	3	ARTG	Elective	3
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1	KINA	Activity	1
ESSL	Fine Art	3	ARTG 337	Illustration & Storyboard	3
ARTG	Elective	3	ARTG 338	Advertising Design I	3
		16			15

SENIOR YEAR

Fall Semester		Hours	Spring Semester		Hours
ESSL	Social/Behavioral Science	3	ARTG 493	Portfolio Development	3
ARTG 450	Identity Design	3	ARTG Elective		3
Elective or Minor		3	Elective or Minor		3
Elective or Minor		3	ARTG 401	Digital Painting	3
ARTG 406	Advanced Web Site Design	3			12
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POLICIES:

1. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. 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.** 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. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature. Finally, the Department Head will submit the signed forms to the Registrar's Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
4. 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.
5. NOTE: During your senior year, you will be required to take a capstone exit assessment/project (e.g,, Major Field Achievement Test).