

**BACHELOR OF ARTS • Design Major**

**Degree Guideline**

This degree guideline provides only a summary of the requirements for the degree and major indicated above. For complete information about degree requirements, consult *The Undergraduate Catalog* and the pertinent *General Information* catalog. For questions, please contact the Office of the Dean, Student Affairs in DFA 1.103 (512-471-5011).

*See reverse side for "Notes" and additional requirements.*

Area/Requirement	Course	Hrs	✓
<b>Core Curriculum <sup>1</sup></b>		<b>42</b>	
First-year Signature Course	<i>UGS 302 or 303</i>	3	
English Composition (Communication)	<i>RHE 306</i>	3	
	<i>Writing Course</i>	3	
Humanities	<i>E 316L/M/N/P</i>	3	
American & Texas Government	<i>GOV 310L</i>	3	
	<i>GOV 312L</i>	3	
American History	<i>6 hours</i>	6	
Social & Behavioral Sciences	<i>3 hours</i>	3	
Mathematics	<i>3 hours</i>	3	
Natural Science & Technology	<i>9 hours</i>	9	
Visual & Performing Arts	<i>3 hours</i>	3	

Area/Requirements	Course	Hrs	✓
<b>Major Requirements</b>		<b>42</b>	
Design Core	<i>DES 304</i>	3	
	<i>DES 305</i>	3	
	<i>DES 308</i>	3	
	<i>ARH 303 <sup>6</sup></i>	3	
Lower-division Design	<i>6 hours</i>	6	
Lower or Upper-division Design <sup>7</sup>	<i>9 hours</i>	9	
Performance Review <sup>8</sup>	<i>DES 131</i>	1	
Upper-division Design <sup>7</sup>	<i>DES 374 <sup>9</sup></i>	3	
	<i>8 hours</i>	8	
Design History, Theory, Criticism	<i>DES 336 or 337.1 <sup>10</sup></i>	3	

<b>Flags <sup>2</sup></b>			
Writing <sup>3</sup>	<i>2 courses</i>		
Quantitative Reasoning	<i>1 course</i>		
Global Cultures	<i>1 course</i>		
Cultural Diversity	<i>1 course</i>		
Independent Inquiry	<i>1 course</i>		
Ethics	<i>1 course</i>		

<b>Electives <sup>11</sup></b>		<b>18</b>	
Completed hours			

<b>Minimum Hours Required</b>	<b>120</b>
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<b>Entrance Deficiencies <sup>4</sup></b>	
Foreign Language, Language Arts, Social Science, Natural Science, Math	

<b>Additional Basic Education Requirements <sup>5</sup></b>		<b>12-18</b>	
Foreign Language: Intermediate proficiency	<i>12-18 hours</i>	12-18	

## Notes

- 1 Consult the School of Undergraduate Studies for complete lists of courses that may be used fulfill the core curriculum requirements.
- 2 Courses used to fulfill flag requirements may fulfill other degree requirements as well; therefore, students should select courses carefully. If flag requirements are not satisfied within the minimum number of semester hours required for the degree and major, the student will need to complete additional coursework to fulfill these flag requirements.
- 3 Courses used to fulfill a writing flag requirement may also be used to fulfill other degree requirements, except RHE 306.
- 4 Courses used to fulfill entrance deficiencies do not count toward the degree; all entrance deficiencies must be removed by appropriate courses in order to graduate.
- 5 Students must complete the intermediate level proficiency of one foreign language. The number of hours required to complete intermediate level proficiency varies between different foreign languages. See the online course schedule to know how many hours the foreign language of your choice requires to complete intermediate level proficiency.
- 6 Three semester hours of art history used to fulfill major degree requirements may also be counted toward the visual and performing arts requirement of the core curriculum. Please consult the School of Undergraduate Studies for a complete list of courses that may be used for the visual and performing arts requirement.
- 7 In order to enroll in courses numbered DES 340 or higher, a design major must first pass the performance review conducted by the design faculty.
- 8 A design major must register for the performance review course during the first semester of sophomore year and present a portfolio of his or her works for review by designated design faculty at the end of the semester. The works to be included for review are specified by the design faculty.
- 9 DES 374 must be completed with a grade of at least C- and approval of the design faculty.
- 10 Students must enroll in Topic 1: History of Graphic Design to receive credit for this requirement.
- 11 Students who complete all stated degree requirements without earning the 120 semester hours required for the B.A.: Design Major must complete additional elective coursework until 120 hours are earned.

## General Degree Requirements

**Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirements:** To graduate, students must have a GPA of at least 2.00 based on all courses undertaken at the university; a 2.50 GPA is required on all upper-division design courses taken in residence at the university.

**Flag Requirements:** Extra courses may be necessary if all flag requirements are not met through regular degree requirements, so courses should be chosen carefully. The following flags are required of all students in the College of Fine Arts: Quantitative Reasoning, Global Cultures, Cultural Diversity, Independent Inquiry, Ethics, and Writing (2 courses). Courses used to fulfill flag requirements may also be used to fulfill degree requirements. For more information, see the *2022-2024 Undergraduate Catalog*.

**Residency Requirements:** Students must fulfill all residency requirements in order to graduate. Refer to chapter 1 in the *2022-2024 Undergraduate Catalog* for university residency requirements; refer to the College of Fine Arts' chapter for college residency requirements.

- Students must complete at least 60 semester hours of coursework counted toward the degree in residence.
- At least 6 semester hours of upper-division coursework in the major must be completed in residence.
- The last 18 hours of coursework in the major must be taken in residence.

**Completing Degree Requirements:** A minimum of 120 hours and all degree requirements stated in the *2022-2024 Undergraduate Catalog* must be completed in order to earn the degree.