

Three-Year MFA Program

Students accepted conditionally in the Three-Year Graduate Program track first enroll in preparatory course work before advanced graduate studies. Required preparatory courses generally follow the undergraduate core and concentration elective curriculum in the major, but may also include nonmajor courses. The preparatory requirements are based on individual needs in consultation with the graduate program head and advisor, who give approve the final curriculum.

A minimum of ninety-six (96) credits is required for the MFA degree.

COURSE NO.			CREDITS		
			Fall	Winter	Spring
			<i>First Year</i>		
Fall	Spring				
*	*	Graphic Design Core courses	12	0	12
321G		Graduate Seminar I	3	0	0
		Graphic Design Studies and/or Open Electives	0	3 or 6	3
		<i>Total credits</i>	15	3 or 6	15
			<i>Second Year</i>		
*	*	Graphic Design Core courses	6	0	0
323G	324G	Graduate Studio I and II	6	0	6
	322G	Graduate Seminar	0	0	3
		Graphic Design Studies and/or Open Electives	3	3 or 6	6
		<i>Total credits</i>	15	3 or 6	15
			<i>Third Year</i>		
327G	328G	Graduate Thesis	6	0	9
		Graphic Design Studies	3 or 6	0	3 or 0
		Open Electives/ Graduate Studies	3 or 6	0 or 3	0 or 3
		Grad Thesis and Open Re/Search	0	3 or 6	0
		<i>Total credits</i>	15	6	12

MFA degree (96 cr.min.)

Minimum Three-Year Track Course Requirements:

Curriculum notes

*Graphic Design Core courses:

(Graduate Typography I, II, III: 332G, 342G, 352G;
Form and Communication: 3220; Color: 3211; Visual
Systems: 3216; History of Graphic Design: 3225)

Graphic Design Studies (any course or independent study in graphic design) and Open Electives (any course in the major or nonmajor): credits and subjects based on individual needs

Graduate Seminar I and II (in Graphic Design: 321G, 322G):
6 credits minimum

Graduate Seminar (in Graduate Studies: see listings for that subject): 3 credits total

Graduate Studio I and II (in Graphic Design: 323G, 324G):
12 credits total

Graduate Thesis (in Graphic Design: 327G, 328G): 15 credits total.

(Note: These courses can be supplemented, but not substituted, with other course credits during the year.)

General eligibility requirements for the master's degree are listed in the front of this book.

Students entering the Graduate program in the Department of Graphic Design must participate in its required laptop program, purchasing hardware, software, upgrades and insurance, specified in the Department's "laptop program requirements and policy guidelines". Although participation is required graduate students may request to be waived from the requirement. Laptop program waived requests are considered on a case by case basis.