To advance to the third-year level of the program in Fall 2023, second-year Graphic Design majors must pass Second Year Review.

Requirements

1. Earn a minimum C+ in each of the following courses:
   • DESGR 2200 Communication Design 2
   • DESGR 2300 Communication Design 3
   • DESGR 2700 Typography 2
   • DESGR 2600 History of Graphic Design

2. Earn an average 2.7 grade (B-) among the above 4 courses.
   Grade points earned from these courses will be multiplied by the number of credits for each course. These scores will be added together, and divided by the total number of credits (12). This will determine the average grade.

3. Earn a minimum C+ in any remaining Art Foundations courses:
   • ART 2201 Action
   • ART 2202 Construct
   • ART 2203 Evidence
   • ART 2204 Illusion
   • ART 2208 Touch

4. Submit a portfolio of 2nd-year work.
   Students will be provided with specific guidelines and submission instructions near the beginning of the Spring 2023 semester.

5. Submit a self-evaluation.
   Students will rate their own performance in relation to:
   • Design Comprehension
   • Technical Skill
   • Creativity
   • Work Ethic & Diligence
   • Professionalism
   • General

Follow-up

Once all final course grades have been submitted and faculty have reviewed all portfolios and self-evaluations, each student will be notified via Umail confirming whether or not the criteria necessary for advancement have been met. Included in this notice will be a faculty evaluation summary report based upon the same topics of the self-evaluation.

If a student fails to meet the minimum grade requirements, or to submit any of the required materials, they will not be allowed to advance to the third-year level. These students are encouraged to repeat certain second-year courses in order to improve grades. Faculty will make recommendations upon request.

Students who fail to pass Second Year Review a second time are subject to dismissal from the Graphic Design BFA program.

All Graphic Design majors should meet regularly with Academic Advising to make sure they are on track to meet degree requirements.

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