

GUIDED PATHWAY: STUDIO ART AND DESIGN STUDIES/GRAPHIC DESIGN

CREATIVE ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, and DESIGN CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Art webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/Art) [www.dcccd.edu/Art] and your academic advisor at your campus.

The guided pathway in Studio Arts and Design Studies/Graphic Design begins with Survey of Art History and concludes with a first-level studio. An Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree in this pathway prepares students to transfer to a university to earn a bachelor's degree that opens the door to a career in employment fields including illustration, studio painter, sculptor, public artist, jeweler, including fashion design, graphic design, industrial design, and communication design.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing Design Studies/Graphic Design. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn an A.A. degree, which will increase your chances of transfer to bachelor's-level programs. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours (15 hours) required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. See the catalog for [official degree requirements](#).

Visit www.dcccd.edu/transfer and select "Transfer from Dallas College," then click on a university to view more information about transferring to that institution. Speak with your academic advisor to choose courses that will help you to transfer to a specific university.

Catalog Year	2020-2021	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Associate of Arts	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
TSI	Must be Complete	

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official program of study. See the catalog for [official degree requirements](#).

DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

SEMESTER 1

Total Hours: 16

[ENGL 1301](#) – Composition I *This is a Core course. Must earn a grade of "C" or higher.*

[MATH 1332](#) – Contemporary Mathematics (Quantitative Reasoning)* *This is a Core course. Must earn a grade of "C" or higher.*

[EDUC 1300](#) – Learning Framework *All college students with fewer than 12 semester credit hours of successful college credit (grade of "C" or above) must take a student success course in the first semester.*

[ARTS 1316](#) – Drawing I**

[ARTS 1303](#) – Art History I* *This is a Core course.*

[PHED 1164](#) – Introduction to Physical Fitness and Wellness* *This is a Core course.*

* There are several options to fulfill this requirement. See your academic advisor for a specific list.

** Elective courses should be selected according to the intended university you will transfer to. See academic advisor for assistance with course selection.

SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to confirm your academic and career goals.
2. Meet with a career advisor/coach to research career options with a Design Studies/Graphic Design degree.
3. At the end of the semester, begin researching colleges and universities where you wish to transfer and major in Design Studies/Graphic Design.

SEMESTER 2

Total Hours: 18

[ENGL 1302](#) – Composition II *This is a Core course.*

[ARTS 1304](#) – Art History II**

[SPCH 1311](#) – Introduction to Speech Communication* *This is a Core course.*

[SOCI 1301](#) – Introduction to Sociology* *This is a Core course.*

[ARTS 1317](#) – Drawing II**

[ARTS 1311](#) – Design I**

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SEMESTER 2 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to request an official program of study audit and confirm or update your academic/career pathway and program of study.
2. Ask about your options for transferring to a university to pursue a bachelor's degree.

SEMESTER 3

Total Hours: 16

[GOVT 2305](#) – Federal Government *This is a Core course.*

[BIOL 1408](#) – Biology for Non-Science Majors I* *This is a Core course.*

[HIST 1301](#) – United States History I *This is a Core course.*

[ARTS 1312](#) – Design II**

CHOOSE ONE:**[ARTS 2313](#) – Design Communications I

[ARTS 2333](#) – Printmaking I

[ARTS 2316](#) – Painting I

[ARTS 2341](#) – Art Metals I

[ARTS 2323](#) – Life Drawing I

[ARTS 2346](#) – Ceramics I

[ARTS 2326](#) – Sculpture I

[ARTS 2348](#) – Digital Art I

[ARTS 2356](#) – Photography I

[ARTS 2366](#) – Watercolor I

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SEMESTER 3 ACTION ITEMS

1. Begin applying to your top choice universities.
2. Begin applying for Financial Aid and Scholarships.
You can start the FAFSA in October for the next academic year. (*i.e., in October 2021, you can complete the FAFSA if you plan to register for classes at a university Fall 2022*)

SEMESTER 4

Total Hours: 16

[GOVT 2306](#) – Texas Government *This is a Core course.*

[GEOL 1403](#) – Physical Geology* *This is a Core course.*

[PHIL 1301](#) – Introduction to Philosophy* *This is a Core course.*

[HIST 1302](#) – United States History II* *This is a Core course.*

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SEMESTER 4 ACTION ITEMS

1. After reviewing your degree plan and program of study, meet with your advisor to apply for the Associate of Arts degree.
2. Sign up for commencement.
3. Request final transcripts to be sent to the college or university to where you will transfer.
4. Join the [Alumni Network!](#)

PATHWAY TOTAL: 66 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS