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Possible Careers: Print Design, 3-D Design, Interactive Media/4-D Design, Advertising, Education

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2025-2026 Degree Map-Bachelor of Fine Arts in Graphic Design

This map is a term-by-term sample course schedule. The milestones listed to the right of each term are designed to keep you on course to graduate in four years. The Sample Schedule serves as a general guideline to help you build a full schedule each term. See course descriptions and prerequisites at https://catalog.atu.edu/

#Prerequisite Courses: ENGL 0303 MATH 0803 MATH 1003

Sample Schedule Milestones/No			Milestones/Notes
Semester 1	Hrs.	Grade	Semester 1
ENGL 1013 Composition I	3	#	Create Handshake profile
Social Sciences	3		Begin collecting Portfolio
Mathematics	3	#	for Sophomore Review
TECH 1001 Orientation to the University	1		
*ART 1303 Introduction to Drawing	3		
*ART 1403 Two-Dimensional Design	3		
Total hours	16	GPA	

Semester 2	Hrs.		Semester 2
ENGL 1023 Composition II	3	#	Upload resume to Handshake
Science with a Lab	4		
ART 1503 Introduction to Graphic Design	3		
*ART 2403 Color Design	3		
*ART 2413 Three-Dimensional Design	3		
Total hours	16	GPA	

Semester 3	Hrs.		Semester 3
Social Sciences/Fine Arts/Hum/Communication	3		
Science with a Lab	4		
Fine Arts & Humanities	3		
ART 2103 Art History I (ACTS = ARTA2003)	3		Meet with Career Services
ART 2213 Digital Skills	3		
Total hours	16	GPA	

Semester 4	Hrs.		Semester 4
U.S. History/Government	3		
Fine Arts & Humanities	3		
ART 2113 Art History II (ACTS = ARTA2003)	3		
ART 3001 Sophomore Review	1		Dept reqs C+ as Prereq to all UD ART courses
Art Elective (3000-4000 level)	3		
General Elective	2		Electives cannot include art courses
Total hours	15	GPA	ART ADVISOR ASSIGNED

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) is designed to assist in planning the academic progress of students. This system contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. The Arkansas Course Transfer System can be accessed by searching keyword "ACTS" at https://adhe.edu/

MUS 2003 Survey of Music History (ACTS=MUSC1003)
TH 2273 Introduction to Theatre (ACTS=DRAM 1003)
ENGL/JOUR 2173 Introduction to Film
ENGL 2003 Introduction to World Literature (ACTS=ENGL2113)
ENGL 2013 Intro. to American Literature (ACTS=ENGL2653)
PHIL 2003 Introduction to Philosophy (ACTS=PHIL1103)
PHIL 2053 Introduction to Critical Thinking (ACTS=PHIL 1003)

Fine Arts and Humanities

ART 2123 Experiencing Art (ACTS=ARTA1003)

1013 from SPAN, FR, GER, JPN, CHIN, or LAT 1023 from SPAN, FR, GER, JPN, CHIN, or LAT LEAD 2003 Ethics in Leadership

U.S. History & Government HIST 1903 Survey of American History HIST 2003 U.S. History to 1877 (ACTS=HIST2113) HIST 2013 U.S. History since 1877 (ACTS=HIST2123) POLS 2003 American Government (ACTS=PLSC2003) Science with Lab BIOL 1014- Intro. to Biological Science (ACTS= BIOL1004) BIOL/PHSC 1004- Principles of Environmental Science GEOL 1014- Physical Geology (ACTS= GEOL 1114) University Honors students should consult Course Catalog to

appropriate Fine Arts/Humanities, US History/Government and

Social Science options for University Honors Curriculus

Sample Schedule		Mi	lestones/Notes
Semester 5	Hrs.	Grade	Semester 5
Social Sciences	3		
ART 3203 Typography and Layout	3		Research & apply for internships
ART 3253 Digital Illustration	3		
ART 3303 Drawing Studio I OR 4233 Illustration Studio	3		
Art History (3000-4000 level)	3		See catalog for options
Total hours	15	GPA	

Semester 6	Hrs.		Semester 6
ART 3232 Production Design	2		Attend Career Fair
ART 3243 Web Design	3		
ART 3803 Introduction to Printmaking	3		
Art History (3000-4000 level)	3		See catalog for options
General Elective	3		Electives cannot include art courses
Total hours	14	GPA	APPLY FOR GRADUATION

Semester 7	Hrs.		Semester 7
ART 3223 Package Design	3		
ART 3833 Animation Techniques	3		
ART or GAME Elective (3000-4000 level)	3		
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ART or GAME Elective (3000-4000 level)	3		
Total hours	15	GPA	

Semester 8	Hrs.		Semester 8
ART 4231 Graphic Design Exhibition	1		
ART 4243 Professional Portfolio Preparation	3		Graduation Requirements:
ART or GAME Elective (3000-4000 level)	3		Min. hours 3000-4000 level courses: 40
ART or GAME Elective (3000-4000 level)	3		No more than 4 PE activity hours
ART or GAME Elective (3000-4000 level)	3		Min. hours required:120
Total Hours	13	GPA	2.00+ GPA

Social Sciences

General Electives: 5 hours (1000-4000 level)

120 Total Hours

*Foundation Courses (must be currently enrolled or complete before Sophomore Review) # indicates a "C" or better is required

HIST 1503 World History to 1500 (ACTS=HIST1113) HIST 1513 World History since 1500 (ACTS=HIST1123) HIST 2003 U.S. History to 1877 (ACTS=HIST2113) HIST 2013 U.S. History since 1877 (ACTS=HIST2123) HIST 1903 Survey of American History POLS 2003 American Government (ACTS=PLSC2003)

PSY 2003 General Psychology (ACTS=PSYC1103)

ECON 2003 Principles of Macroeconomics (ACTS=ECON2103) ECON 2013 Principles of Microeconomics (ACTS=ECON2203) SOC 1003 Introductory Sociology (ACTS=SOCI1013)

LEAD 1003 Introduction to Leadership Communication Courses COMM 1003 Intro to Speech Comm COMM 2003 Public Speaking

AMST 2003 American Studies

FIN 2013 Personal Finance

COMM 2173 Business and Professional Speaking

ANTH 1213 Intro. to Anthropology (ACTS=ANTH1013)

ANTH 2003 Cultural Anthropology (ACTS=ANTH2013)

GEOG 2013 Regional Geography of the World (ACTS=GEOG2103)