

Graphic Design Minor



The Graphic Design minor familiarizes students with graphic design principles, skills, professional practices and historical and theoretical understanding of the field. Students participate in critically engaged studio classes to develop their own viewpoint and practice, while creating books, posters, websites, campaigns, identities, and conceptual propositions using the considered interplay of text and image. A dynamic curriculum empowers students to creatively solve problems, propose alternatives, and work collaboratively to address the communication challenges of today.

Eligibility

The Graphic Design minor is open to students majoring in Digital Media, Environmental Design, Fashion Design, Fine Arts, Illustration, Product Design, and Toy Design. Because of their major curricular requirements Environmental Design majors will only be approved to enroll on a case-by-case basis. Students must be on track in their major and in good academic standing, with fewer than 6 credits behind and a cumulative GPA of 2.0. Graphic Design minors may participate in the Communication Arts Department's senior show on a case-by-case basis with approval from the Department Chair.

Requirements

15 credits of Graphic Design courses (5 studio courses or 4 studio courses + 1 LAS course)

Students select courses based on guidance from the Director of Interdisciplinary Studies, Minor Area Heads and Academic Advisors and must follow prerequisites when applicable. For the full list of courses that will count for this minor, along with recommended courses to take first, see the Minors Course Lists on the Registration page of the Dashboard (my.otis.edu). Students are advised to take minor classes in place of studio electives (or in place of one LAS elective), or for majors without electives by taking one extra class in each of 5 semesters spread out between sophomore and senior year.

See Graphic Design & Liberal Arts and Sciences Departments for course descriptions.

Each student will receive an individual academic plan that outlines how this minor fits into their major.

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