

# Graphic & Multimedia Design - Certificate of Achievement

+If you have completed coursework at another college and/or are starting in a semester other than a Fall term, please follow up with the Counseling Department to determine if this sequence is appropriate for your academic and career goals.

**Program Description:** The Certificate of Achievement in Graphic and Multimedia Design develops students' creative and technical skills by providing hands-on training in current technologies. The two-year program prepares students for employment in the fields of graphic design for web, social media, user interface, motion, and illustration, as well as digital photography, art direction, video production and game design.

**Program SLO:** Students will be able to demonstrate proficiency in the core skills and knowledge required for employment in a graphic and multimedia position.

**Important Information:** For students interested in earning an Associate's degree and/or transfer, please follow up with the Counseling Office for additional information @ <https://www.canyons.edu/counseling> or (661)362-3288/(661)362-3811.

Major courses are sequenced and **BOLDED** based on recommendations by the [Graphic and Multimedia Design Department](#).

**First Semester (15 units minimum)** FA = Fall; WI = Winter; SP = Spring; SU = Summer

Course	Title	Units	Major Courses
<b>GMD 101</b>	<b>Introduction to Visual Communication (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 104</b>	<b>Graphic Design for Web and Social Media (FA)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 120</b>	<b>History of Graphic Design (FA, WI, SP, SU)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 107</b>	<b>Multimedia for Web and Social Media (SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 144</b>	<b>Graphic Design I (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
	<b>Term Total:</b>	<b>15</b>	

**Second Semester (15-16 units minimum)**

Course	Title	Units	Major Courses
<b>GMD 145</b>	<b>Type and Typography (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 142</b>	<b>Digital Illustration (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 173</b>	<b>Motion Design (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 177</b>	<b>Web Page Design I (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>GMD 242</b>	<b>Graphic Design II (FA, SP)</b>	3	<b>Major</b>
<b>CWE-186GMD or CWE-188GMD</b>	<b>Cooperative Work Experience Education Graphic &amp; Multimedia Design OR CWE-186GMD (Unpaid) or CWE-188GMD (Paid)</b>	1-4	<b>Major</b>
	<b>Term Total:</b>	<b>16+</b>	

**Total Units: 31+**

## Counseling Resources

Graphic and Multimedia Design Department: <https://www.canyons.edu/academics/art/index.php>

Counseling Department: <https://www.canyons.edu/student-services/counseling/index.php>

Graphic Design & Multimedia Student Club CMD: <https://www.instagram.com/cmd.plus/>

Intersect (Student Run Professional Design Studio): [shannon.doronio@canyons.edu](mailto:shannon.doronio@canyons.edu)

COC Illustration Student Club - Email for more information: [cocillustration@gmail.com](mailto:cocillustration@gmail.com)

Internship Program: <https://www.canyons.edu/student-services/internships/index.php>

Petition for Certificate of Achievement: Petitions are due in the fall/spring/summer term you will complete the requirements and may be submitted before your last term or up until the final day of the term. The petition form must be reviewed with a counselor and may be found here:

[https://www.canyons.edu/\\_resources/documents/student-services/admissions/Petition\\_for\\_Associate\\_Degree\\_and\\_Certificate\\_of\\_Achievement.pdf](https://www.canyons.edu/_resources/documents/student-services/admissions/Petition_for_Associate_Degree_and_Certificate_of_Achievement.pdf)

## **Career Resources**

California Career Zone: <https://www.cacareerzone.org/>

O\*Net Online: <https://www.onetonline.org/>

Bureau of Labor and Statistics: [www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov)

The professional association for design: <https://www.aiga.org/>