

Credits Required: 30 Credits Minimum

MA in Graphic Design students must complete 30 credits to graduate.

Students register for a minimum of 15 credits total per semester to reach 30 credits.

Term	Course	Course #	Credits
Semester I	Graphic Design MA Studio I	GD 5010	6 Credits
	Typography Intensive	GD 5325	3 Credits
	Design Theory and Practice	CRT 5402	3 Credits
	Elective (1)	Various	3 Credits
Semester II	Graphic Design MA Studio II	GD 5020	6 Credits
	MA Workshop	GD 5025	3 Credits
	Transmedia Type Lab	GD 5530	3 Credits
	Elective (1)	Various	3 Credits
			TOTAL = 30 Credits

Maximizing your Academic Opportunities

Students may take up to 19.5 credits per semester to enhance their academic experience beyond the 30 credits required in the Graphic Design MA degree plan. Consider additional electives, ELL workshops, and ongoing Professional Development coursework. Its important to be mindful of your studio time as well as Graduate Teaching Internships during the week when building your schedule. Your program director is a great resource to discuss both time management and electives that compliment your practice.

MA Graphic Design: DEGREE PLAN WORKSHEET

NAME: _____

A. REQUIRED: STUDIOS / COURSEWORK (24 CREDITS) *Complete All of the Following*

TERM	COURSE #	COURSE	CREDIT	TERM/YEAR	GRADE
Semester I	GD 5010	Graphic Design MA Studio I	6		
	GD 5325	Typography Intensive	3		
	CRT 5402	Design Theory and Practice	3		
Semester II	GD 5020	Graphic Design MA Studio II	6		
	GD 5030	Transmedia Type Lab	3		
	GD 5025	MA Graphic Design Workshop	3		

B. REQUIRED: ELECTIVES (6 CREDITS) *Complete All of the Following*

- Choose from the Graduate Electives or Undergraduate level electives - MA students must receive a grade of B or better in Undergraduate courses to receive graduate credit
- Baltimore Student Exchange Program, or Independent Study
- Internships for studio / liberal art credit approved through the Office of Career Development
- Additional elective courses available through MICA's Open Studies

TERM	COURSE #	COURSE	CREDIT	TERM/YEAR	GRADE
Semester I			3		
Semester II			3		

C. OPTIONAL: ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT	TERM/YEAR	GRADE

D. OPTIONAL: Writing Workshops and Courses (For English Language Learners)

- Students may apply up to 3 Workshop credits (maximum) toward required Liberal Arts Credit

COURSE #	WORKSHOP TITLE	CREDIT	TERM/YEAR	GRADE
CWRT 5015		1.5		
CWRT 5015		1.5		
CWRT 5015		1.5		
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COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT	TERM/YEAR	GRADE
CWRT 5017	Grad Writing: Curating Ideas	3	Fall Only	
CWRT 5513	Intercultural Discourse	3	Fall Only	
CWRT 5580	Reading Literature for Artistic Inspiration	3	Fall Only	

E. OPTIONAL: YOU + PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES

- PD Coursework also available through Open Studies.

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT	TERM/YEAR	GRADE
		1		
		1		
		1		
		1		

F. OPTIONAL: CERTIFICATE IN COLLEGE TEACHING OF ART

- A graduate student in the role of GTI works in an undergraduate course under the supervision of a faculty member. GTIs are expected to be present for every class meeting, and to collaborate with the mentoring instructor, working no more than an average of 6 (six) hours per week.

GRADUATE TEACHING INTERNSHIPS		INSTRUCTOR	TERM / YEAR
1			
2			
3			
4			

CHOOSING ELECTIVE COURSEWORK

Recommended Graduate Electives

Review the Schedule of Courses for a complete list of graduate studio, liberal art and professional development elective courses. Students can also choose from dozens of elective courses, graduate or undergraduate, in the schedule of courses at www.mica.edu.

Baltimore Student Exchange Program

Explore elective courses at our partner institutions (Johns Hopkins University and University of Baltimore) through the Baltimore Student Exchange Program. Forms and approval required through Enrollment Services. Contact Carissa Mattern, Associate Registrar, cmattern@mica.edu in the Office of Enrollment Services with questions/approval.

Independent Study

Independent study courses provide students the opportunity to develop and conduct self-designed research projects in collaboration with campus faculty. Independent study courses require the instructor and program director approval, and a completed contract complying with MICA standards. Forms should be returned to the Office of Enrollment Studies.

Internship for Credit

Professional internships may also be substituted for studio / liberal arts elective credit with permission from your program director. Students must attend an Internship Orientation through the Office of Career Development. Visit MICA's Career Development Office online for more information.

ENROLLING IN ELECTIVE COURSES

Graduate students can register for graduate - level courses via MICA's online enrollment system. To register for an undergraduate level course, **with prerequisites or enrollment restrictions**, you will need to request approval through the undergraduate instructor.

ADVISING / REGISTRATION SUPPORT

If you have any questions about your degree plan or progress to graduation, you are welcome to schedule an advising appointment. Schedule an appointment by phone, online, or in person with LaShay Harvey, Graduate Enrollment Advisor, LHarvey01@mica.edu, or 410-225-4219.