

College of the Arts - Department of Design - Industrial Design BS

2025-2026

Overall GPA: 2.5 & Major GPA: 2.5 required for admission to major.

Students must achieve "C" or better in each course required by the major.

*For BS portfolio review consideration, students must have completed the following courses: DESN 110, DESN 120A, DESN 120B, DESN 132A, DESN 132B, DESN 150, DESN 151, DESN 154, DESN 156 with a "C" or better; and students must also be enrolled in or have successfully completed DESN 232, DESN 254, and DESN 280 with a "C" or better.

Unofficial Roadmap

GE = General Education | UD = Upper-Division

Course	Units	Course	Units
Semester 1		Semester 2	
DESN 120A Fundamentals of Design	3	DESN 120B Fundamentals of Design	3
DESN 132A Perspective & Rendering Systems	3	DESN 132B Perspective & Rendering Systems	3
DESN 150 Design Drafting (Industrial)	3	DESN 151 Design Materials and Tools	2
GE English Composition (GE Area 1A)	3	GE Oral Communication (GE Area 1C)	3
GE Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning (GE Area 2)	3	GE Critical Thinking (GE Area 1B)	3
Total Units	15	Total Units	14

Semester 3 (Apply for Portfolio Review)		Semester 4 (Submit Portfolio)*	
DESN 154 Modeling and Prototyping Techniques	3	DESN 254 Production Materials and Technical Processes	3
DESN 156 3D Computer-Aided Design	3	DESN 255 2D Computer-Aided Graphics	3
DESN 232 Visualization Techniques	3	DESN 280 Industrial Design Processes	3
DESN 110 Foundation Design History (GE Area 3A); or AH 111A (GE Area 3A); or AH 111B (GE Area 3A); or DESN 268	3	GE Humanities (GE Area 3B)	3
GE Bio Science Lecture (No Lab) (GE Area 5B)	3	GE Physical Science with Lab (GE Area 5A & 5C) - See University Catalog for major-specific required science course options.	4
Total Units	15	Total Units	16

Semester 5 (Junior Studio)		Semester 6 (Junior Studio)	
DESN 331A Industrial Design	3	DESN 331B Industrial Design	3
DESN 333A Industrial Design Methodology	3	DESN 333B Industrial Design Methodology	3
DESN 320 Advanced Form Study	3	DESN 356 Advanced 3D Computer-Aided Design	3
DESN 300 Designers in their Own Words	3	GE U.S. Constitution & American Ideals (GE Area 4B)	3
GE US History (GE Area 4A)	3	GE Ethnic Studies (GE Area 6)	3
Total Units	15	Total Units	15

Semester 7 (Senior Studio)		Semester 8 (Senior Studio)	
DESN 431A Advanced Industrial Design	4	DESN 431B Advanced Industrial Design	4
DESN 368 History and Theory of Design (GE Area UD-3 or 4)	3	DESN 332 Advanced Idea Generation for Designers	3
DESN UD Industrial Design Elective: DESN 344A Display and Exhibition Design; or DESN 355 Computer-Aided Graphics II; or DESN 435A Furniture Design; or DESN 442G Internship in Industrial Design; or DESN 454 Technologies for Hybrid Design; or DESN 481 Designing for User Experiences; or DESN 457 Soft Goods Design; or DESN 490 Special Topics	3	GE Upper-Division Course in Area 3 or 4	3
GE UD Course in Scientific Inquiry & Quantitative Reasoning (GE Area UD-2): DESN 315 Forms and Figures recommended	3	Elective	3
GWAR Writing Intensive Course: CAFF 427 Consumer Dynamics recommended	3	Elective	3
Total Units	16	Total Units	16

Total Degree Units 122