The University of Texas RioGrande Valley

Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) Visual Communication Design

2023-2024

	! H	Course #	Course Title	Min. Grade	GEC	Prerequisite	Additional Notes
	3	Choose 1	Communication (Core)	С		For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.	See General Education Core for more details Option: ENGL 1301
	3	Choose 1	American History (Core)		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1301 or HIST 2327
FALL	3	Choose 1	Mathematics (Core)	С	020	College Ready TSI status in Mathematics or MATH 0314/0332/0342.	See General Education Core for course options. MATH 1314 or higher recommended.
FΔ	3	ARTS 1311	Design I	С			Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
~	3	ARTS 1316	Drawing I				Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
IRST YEAF		UNIV	1301 Learning Framework 1101 Academic and Career Success 1001 Living and Working by Design				As required, based on credit hours earned, TSI status, High School rank, major declaration.
-	15	Semester Total Hours					
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SPRING	3	Choose 1	American History (Core)		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1302 or HIST 2328
SPF	3	POLS 2305	U.S. Federal Govt & Politics		070		
	3	ARTS 1312	Design II	С			Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
	3	ARTS 2333	Printmaking I				Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
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The 2023-2024 list of core courses can be found in the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog: www.utrgv.edu/catalog > See 'Bachelors Degree Program Regulations'

Symbols Key

Critical ('!'): sequence sensitive course. Minimum Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory. General Education Core (GEC) Sections: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; 090 - Humanities; 090 - Leadership; 090 - Science Labs; 090 - Interdisciplinary; 090 - Technologies; 090 - Language Diversity & Writing.

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	3	Choose 1	Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core)		080		See General Education Core for course options.
	3	Choose 1	Language, Philosophy & Culture (Core)		040		See General Education Core for course options.
	3	ARTS 2331	Visual Communication Design I	С		Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 2363 and ARTS 2356	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
1	3	ARTS 3354	History of Graphic Design				Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
	3	ARTS 43XX Prescribed Elective					See Degree plan for course options.
AR	15 Semester Total Hours						
D YE	3	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option (Core)		090		See General Education Core for course options.
THIR	3	ARTS 3333	Print Design and PrePress	С		Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 2331 or ARTS 3331	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
SPRING	3	ARTS 3330	Image and Illustration	С		Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 2363	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
SPR	3	ARTS 4338	Interactive Design			Grade of 'C' or better in [ARTS 2331 or ARTS 3331]	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
	3	ARTS 3337	Typography II			Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 2331 or ARTS 3331	See Degree plan for course options.
	15 Semester Total Hours						
MER	3	ARTS 4333	Visual Communication Design II	С		Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 3330 and ARTS 3333	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
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	3	ARTS 4334	Visual Communication Design III	С		Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 4333	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
	3	ARTS 4330	Animation 2D			Grade of 'C' or better in [ARTS 2331 or ARTS 3331]	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
~	3	ARTS 43XX	Prescribed Elective				See Degree plan for course options.
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FOUF	3	ARTS 43XX	Prescribed Elective				See Degree Plan for course options.
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SPRING	3	ARTS 4339	Portfolio for Visual Communication Design			Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 4334	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
ŝ	3	ARTS 4396	BFA Visual Communication Design (Capstone)	С		Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 4334 and Senior standing	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
	12 Semester Total Hours						

Graduation Requirements: Grade of 'C' or better in ARTS 4396.