

Graphic Design

Academic Planning Guide

Graphic Design Digital Specialist Occupational Certificate

Ever wonder how to produce a poster, flyer, brochure, business card, letterhead, shoot and edit your own photos, or publish a book? This certificate is for the person who is interested in learning industry-proven software packed with projects and

activities that will enable a strong understanding of these design programs. Acquire the skills necessary to produce professionally designed materials for yourself or develop a career pathway.

First Semester

MGDP1000	Fundamentals of Digital Technology	1
MGDP1120	Introduction to Digital Photography	2
MGDP1205	Fundamentals of Graphic Design	3
MGDP1230	Photoshop	3
		Credits 9

Second Semester

MGDP1240	Illustrator	3
MGDP1310	InDesign	3
MGDP1360	Acrobat	2
		Credits 8

Total Credits 17

Please note: Semester listings reflect the recommended sequence. Due to circumstances beyond our control, the information herein is subject to change without notice.

Plan Your Path to Stay on Track

Success doesn't happen by accident—it starts with a plan! Whether you're working toward a diploma, certificate, or degree, understanding which courses to take and when to take them can save you time, money, and stress.

By staying organized and proactive, you'll move forward with confidence, avoid last-minute surprises, and stay on track for graduation. One of the best tools to help you map out your path is your Degree Audit Report (DARS).

Your Personal Academic Checklist

DARS takes the guesswork out of course planning. It gives you a clear snapshot of your progress and shows which classes are still required for your program.

Why Check DARS?

Planning your class schedule is much easier when you know what is left to take! Checking your DARS report can help you:

- ✓ Avoid registering for the wrong courses
- ✓ Make steady progress toward your degree or diploma
- ✓ Stay on track for graduation and avoid surprises

How to Access Your DARS Audit

Checking your DARS only takes a few clicks!

- 1 Log into eServices with your StarID and password
- 2 Go to the Academic Records section
- 3 Click on Degree Audit Report (DARS)
- 4 Review your audit to see what is complete and what is still required



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Plan Ahead for Success

It is smart to review your DARS every semester—especially before registration opens. If you are not sure which classes to take next, your DARS is a great place to start. You can also bring it to your academic advising appointment to build a plan that fits your goals and schedule.

Your degree. Your plan. Your future.

DARS helps you take the right steps, at the right time. Check your DARS often so you can register with confidence and graduate on time!

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