

Art Design (BFA), ONLINE: Full-time

This plan provides an example pathway through the **Online Design major**, assuming a student is **new to the program** and will be completing the program on a **full-time** basis (taking at least 12 credit hours per semester).

Semester 1

- ART 101: Observational Drawing (3 cr)
- ART 201: Design, Software, and Process (3 cr)
- Dialogues Curriculum course (6 cr)

Semester 3

- Art History requirement (3 cr)
- Design Elective (3 cr) **
- Dialogues Curriculum course (6 cr)

Semester 5

- ART 321: Concept & Design (3 cr)
- ART 312: Illustration with Figure (3 cr)
- JINS 3XX: WE/Junior Interdisciplinary Seminar (3 cr)
- Design Elective (3 cr)
- Elective(s) and/or Dialogues Curriculum course (3 cr)

Semester 7

- ART 421: Professional Practices (3 cr)
- ART 425: Capstone Experience/Seminar (1 cr)
- Design Elective (3 cr)
- Elective(s) and/or Dialogues Curriculum course (6 cr)

Semester 2

- ART 211: 3-D Design (3 cr)
- ART 220: Layout and Type (3 cr)
- Art History Requirement (3 cr) *
- Dialogues Curriculum course (3-6 cr)

Semester 4

- ART 219: Digital Illustration (3 cr)
- Design Elective (3 cr)
- Art History requirement (3 cr)
- Dialogues Curriculum course (3-6 cr)

Semester 6

- ART 420: Design and Message (3 cr)
- ART 340: Digital Graphics I (3 cr)
- Art History requirement (3 cr)
- Elective(s) and/or Dialogues Curriculum course (3-6 cr)

Semester 8

- ART 488: Capstone Experience: Design (3 cr)
- Design Elective (3 cr)
- Elective(s) and/or Dialogues Curriculum course (6 cr)

NOTES:

- (*) = Students must complete 15 credit hours of Design Electives for the major. A list of Design Elective options can be found in the University Catalog.
- (**) = Students must complete 9 credit hours of Art History courses. At least one (1) course must be at the 200-level, one (1) course at the 300-level, and another course (1) at either the 200- or 300-level.
- WE = Writing Enhanced course
- If you have not completed the Civics Exam, we recommend doing so in your **first year**.
- Truman students are required to complete a [Portfolio](#) to graduate. We recommend starting to compile your work for the Portfolio sooner than later.
- Students must complete their Application to Graduate **the semester prior to graduating**. Apply to graduate through TruView.
- Graduating seniors need to complete their seniors test and questionnaire. We recommend reviewing the [Assessment & Testing page](#) to plan accordingly.
- **The Dialogues curriculum** requires a certain number of courses/credit hours in the following Perspectives: Social, Arts and Humanities, STEM, Communications, and Statistics. The exact number of courses a student will be required to take during their undergraduate career varies individually according to the credit transferred in.

Department Chair: Please contact the [Center for Academic Excellence](#) with any updates to the plan above. Updated 12-10-2025.