

VCD Flowchart

Spring 2025

Visual Communication Design, B.F.A. Roadmap 2023-2024: 4-year (120 units)

YEAR ONE				YEAR TWO				YEAR THREE				YEAR FOUR			
TERM ONE	units	TERM TWO	units	TERM THREE	units	TERM FOUR	units	TERM FIVE	units	TERM SIX	units	TERM SEVEN	units	TERM EIGHT	units
VCD 1311A DRAWING 1	3	VCD 1312A DRAWING 2	3	VCD 2301A TYPOGRAPHY	3	VCD 2321A VCD 1	3	VCD 2231A VCD 2	3	MAJOR CORE ELECTIVE	3	WORKSHOP	4	VCD 4610 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES (PORTFOLIO)	4
VCD 1321A FOUNDATIONS IN 2D	3	VCD 1331A FOUNDATIONS IN 3D DESIGN	3	VCD 2361A PHOTO	3	VCD 2311A ILLUSTRATION	3	MAJOR CORE ELECTIVE	3	WORKSHOP	4	WORKSHOP	4	MAJOR CORE ELECTIVE	1-3
VCD 1341A FOUNDATIONS IN 4D	3	VCD 1351A FOUNDATIONS IN 5D DESIGN	3	LOWER DIVISION AH (2XXX)	3	VCD 2370 VISUAL THINKING (E)	3	MAJOR CORE ELECTIVE	3	AH 3333 HISTORY OF DESIGN	3	WORKSHOP	4		
						AH 2302 WORLD ART REN-MOD (C1)	3	UPPER DIVISION AH (3XXX)	3						
GE AREA 2	3	GE AREA 4B	3	GE AREA 1C	3	GE AREA 3B	3	GE AREA 4A	3	GE AREA 5B	2	GE AREA 4C	3	GE AREA 5D	3
GE AREA 1A	3	GE AREA 6 ETHNIC STUDIES	3	GE AREA 1B	3	GE AREA 5A	3			GE AREA 5C	1			GE AREA 3C	3
								GE AREA 3A	3						
	15		15		15		18		15		16		15		11-13

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Year One Notes:

Foundation Sequence: 1311A, 1312A, 1321A, 1331A, 1341A, 1351A.
1312A has the prerequisite of 1311A. Students HAVE to take 1311A in the fall and 1312A in the Spring to stay on 4 year plan.
1321A, 1331A, 1341A, 1351A are non sequential and have no prerequisites, although ideally they should take 1341A Fall semester if at all possible.

Year Two Notes:

VCD 2301A is a prerequisite for just about everything. Make sure it gets taken ASAP.
VCD 2370 is designed to be taken SY2, but has no prerequisites and can be taken whenever.
VCD 2301A and VCD 2321A are the first two "hard" classes.
Lower Division Art History needs to be anything other than AH 2302 (AH 2XXX).

Year Three Notes:

VCD 3321A is hard.
AH 3333 should be taken Junior year.
Upper Division Art History needs to be anything other than AH 3333 (AH 3XXX).

Year Three/Four Notes:

You can start taking workshops as soon as you have the prerequisites for VCD 3321A.
You shouldn't take more than 1 Workshop with VCD 4610 if you have to at all.
Anyone can take part in poly-kroma who graduates that academic year, they just need to contact Kevin.
99% of your portfolio will come from work originally done in your workshops.
Nobody in industry will care ~at all~ about your GPA or how many years you took, the only thing that matters is your portfolio.
Ideally students make their portfolio pieces in workshops, then redo them to make them better

NOTE: Four total Art History courses are required, two Upper Division and two Lower Division.