

Graphic Design Strand

Sample Plan of Study*

Graphic Designers create visual concepts using computer software or by hand to communicate ideas that inspire, inform and captivate

Freshman Year (1.0) English 9 (1.0) Math (based on 8 th grade math course) (1.0) Earth Science/Freshman Gen. Science (1.0) Intro to Social Studies/Current Social Issues (0.5) (Not a required course.) (1.0) PE Concepts (1.0) Art I (0.5) Business/Computer Elective (0.5) Photo Imaging (1.0) Electives	Sophomore Year (1.0) English 10 (1.0) Math (1.0) Biology (1.0) World History (0.5) Introduction to Drawing (0.5) Graphic Design Fundamentals (1.0) Computer Graphics (2.0) Electives
Junior Year (1.0) English 11 (1.0) Math (1.0) Physical Science (1.0) U.S. History (1.0) Graphic Design (0.5) Principles of Illustration (2.5) Electives	Senior Year (1.0) English 12 (0.5) American Government (0.5) Speech (1.0) Advanced Graphic Design (1.0) Converged Media (4.5) Electives

Pathway Courses (Pathway completion requires students to complete two or more credits in the pathway, including technical or application courses. Information on this pathway can be found here: usd266.com/mca/programs)

Introductory Level	Technical Level	Application Level
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Introduction to Drawing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Graphic Design Fundamentals · Photo Imaging · Graphic Design · Computer Graphics · Principles of Illustration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Advanced Graphic Design · Converged Media

Other Recommended Courses
 Drawing II Painting I

Graduation Requirements

English – 4 units	Math – 3 units
Science – 3 units	Social Studies – 3 units
PE/Health – 1 unit	Fine Arts – 1 unit
Computer/Business – 1 unit	Speech – 0.5 unit
Electives – 11.5 units	



*This sample plan of study offers an example of what a student’s individual plan of study in this pathway might look like. Please note that some courses may not be offered on an annual basis and participation in classes may be subject to space availability.