

DEGREE CHECKLIST FOR ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS IN COMMUNICATION DESIGN

For students entering the program from Fall 2018 to Spring 2020.

Associate Degree (COMD AAS)					
	(X)	COURSE	COURSE TITLE	PRE/CO REQUISITES	# CR
PROGRAM-SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (39 CREDITS) <i>At least 1 course designated WI is required from the program-specific required and elective courses.</i> <i>Double Duty¹ Specific courses listed indicate double-duty courses, i.e., program degree requirements that also meet general education requirements in that category.</i>		COMD 1100	Graphic Design Principles I		3 CR
		COMD 1112	Digital Media Foundations (WI)		3 CR
		COMD 1127	Type & Media		3 CR
		COMD 1123	Foundation Drawing		3 CR
		COMD 1162	Raster & Vector Graphics		3 CR
		COMD 1200	Graphic Design Principles II	<i>Prereq: COMD 1100</i>	3 CR
		COMD 1257	Typographic Design	<i>Prereq: COMD 1127</i>	3 CR
		COMD 1340	Photography I		3 CR
		COMD 2300	Communication Design I	<i>Prereq: COMD 1200</i>	3 CR
		COMD 2320	Introduction to Video		3 CR
		COMD 1233	Figure Drawing		3 CR
		COMD 2400	Communication Design II **	<i>Prereq: COMD 2300</i>	3 CR
	COMD 2451	Web Design I	<i>Prereq: COMD 2300</i>	3 CR	

** The Sophomore Review: All COMD students (including transfer students) must participate in the Sophomore Portfolio Review to ensure guidance and advisement for 3000-level program-specific courses and be on track to select their proper career path. See [OpenLab.citytech.cuny.edu/comd-soph-review](https://openlab.citytech.cuny.edu/comd-soph-review) for requirements and dates.

Art History Requirements (6 CREDITS)		ARTH 3311	The History of Graphic Design (CE)	ENG 1201	3 CR
		ARTH 11XX ² or AFR 1301 or AFR 1304	Any ARTH 1100-series course or (WCGI or USED) Introduction to the Art of Africa or (CE) African American Art (CE)	ENG 1101	3 CR

General Education Required And Flexible Common Core (15 CREDITS) <i>At least 1 course designated WI is required from the Gen Ed, Art History, Flexible Common Core.</i>		ENG 1101	English Composition I (EC)	<i>Prereq: CUNY Proficiency</i>	3 CR
		ENG 1121	English Composition II (EC)	ENG 1101	3 CR
		MAT 1190	Mathematical and Quantitative Reasoning (MQR) or higher	<i>Prereq: CUNY Proficiency</i>	3 CR
			Life and Physical Sciences (MQR)		3 CR
			Additional Flexible Common Core Course 1: WCGI/USED/IS/CE/SW		3 CR

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE IN COMMUNICATION DESIGN: 60 CREDITS.
MINIMUM REQUIRED LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES CREDITS: 20 CREDITS.

Required Courses

Elective Courses

You can select a course that fits your interests as long as it is within the required category.

¹ Specific courses listed indicate double duty courses, i.e., program degree requirements that also meet general education requirements. Choosing to take advantage of double duty can speed up progress toward graduation and increase elective credits. Consult with an advisor about your options.

² In addition to ARTH 3311 students must choose a second Pathways approved ARTH 1100-series course or AFR 1301 or 1304 for the associate degree, and a third for the bachelor's degree. To reach the required total of 6 courses in the flexible common core, students must complete at least one course in each of the five Flexible Core areas and an additional sixth course in one of them. Students can complete no more than two courses from any one area.

Bachelor's Degree (COMD BFA)

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS	(X)	COURSE	COURSE TITLE	PRE.CO REQUISITES	# CR
UPPER-LEVEL STRATEGY <i>Choose ANY THREE (9 CREDITS)</i>			Upper-Level Strategy Course		3 CR
			Upper-Level Strategy Course		3 CR
			Upper-Level Strategy Course		3 CR

UPPER-LEVEL SKILLS <i>Choose ANY FOUR (12 CREDITS)</i>			Upper-Level Skills Course		3 CR
			Upper-Level Skills Course		3 CR
			Upper-Level Skills Course		3 CR
			Upper-Level Skills Course		3 CR

UPPER-LEVEL STUDIO (15 CREDITS)		COMD 3701	Design Studio	Prereq: COMD 2400	3 CR
		COMD 4701	Design Team	Prereq: COMD 2400	3 CR
		COMD 4801	Portfolio	Prereq: COMD 3701, 4701	3 CR
		COMD 4830	Senior Project	Prereq: COMD 4701	3 CR
		COMD 4900	Internship (WI)	Prereq: COMD 3701, 4701 or Approval	3 CR

Add'l Art History Requirements (6 CREDITS)		COMD 3504	Communication Design Theory (WI)	Prereq: COMD 2300	3 CR
		ARTH 11XX ³ or AFR 1301 ³ or AFR 1304 ³	Any ARTH 1100-series course or (WCGI or USED) Introduction to the Art of Africa or (CE) African American Art (CE)	ENG 1101	3 CR

General Education Flexible Common Core & College Option (15 CREDITS) <i>At least 1 course designated WI is required from the Gen Ed, Art History, and Flexible Common Core.</i>			Flexible Common Core Course: ³ WCGI/USED/IS/CE/SW		3 CR
			Individual and Society (IS)		3 CR
		COM 1330	Public Speaking or higher	ENG 1101	3 CR
			Interdisciplinary Course (ID) Must have ID in the course name.		3 CR
			Liberal Arts Elective (LibArt) or Foreign Lan. Seq. (FL)		3 CR
			Adv. Liberal Arts Elective (LibArt) or Foreign Lan. Seq. (FL) ⁴		3 CR

BACHELOR IN FINE ARTS IN COMMUNICATION DESIGN: 120 CREDITS.
MINIMUM REQUIRED LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES CREDITS: 42 CREDITS.

Required Courses	Elective Courses <i>You can select a course that fits your interests as long as it is within the required category.</i>
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³ In the Communication Design BFA, in addition to **COMD 3504** students must choose an additional Pathways approved ARTH 1100-series course or AFR 1301 or 1304 for the bachelors degree to reach the required total of 6 courses in the flexible common core, students must complete at least one course in each of the five Flexible Core areas and an additional sixth course in one of them. Students can complete no more than two courses from any one area.

⁴ In meeting their general education requirements overall, students must take at least one advanced liberal arts course or choose two sequential courses in one of the foreign language (FL) course offerings, such as Arabic (ARB), Spanish (SPA), Chinese (CHN), or French (FREN).

Bachelor Level COMD Skills / Strategy Course Offerings
 (Junior and Senior aka 3000/4000 level)

Strategy Courses (Select any 3)				
Students can choose to follow a suggested pathway by completing all courses listed under their specific areas of interest or take any (3) three strategy courses for a hybrid designer approach.				
ADVERTISING	GRAPHIC DESIGN	MOTION	ILLUSTRATION	WEB / UX
COMD 3602 COPYWRITING FOR CREATIVES	COMD 3501 IDENTITY DESIGN	COMD 3420 STORYTELLING FOR CREATIVES	COMD 3513 NARRATIVE ILLUSTRATION	COMD 3562 UX/UI
COMD 3500 CAMPAIGN DEVELOPMENT	COMD 3601 INFORMATION DESIGN	COMD 3520 PRINCIPLES IN MOTION DESIGN	COMD 3633 ADVANCED STRATEGIES IN ILLUSTRATION	COMD 3563 WEB ANALYTICS & TRAFFIC
COMD 3600 ADVERTISING PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT	COMD 3402 BRAND STRATEGY FOR CREATIVES	COMD 3521 STRATEGIES IN MOTION DESIGN	SELECT FROM ANY OTHER PATH	COMD 3507 CREATIVE PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Skills Courses (Select any 4)				
Students can choose to follow a suggested pathway by completing all courses listed under their specific areas of interest or take any (4) four skills courses for a hybrid designer approach.				
ADVERTISING	GRAPHIC DESIGN	MOTION	ILLUSTRATION	WEB / UX
COMD 3527 ADVANCED TYPOGRAPHY	COMD 3527 ADVANCED TYPOGRAPHY	COMD 3620 VIDEO PRODUCTION FOR COMMERCIALS	COMD 3313 ILLUSTRATION 1: BASIC ILLUSTRATION	COMD 3551 WEB DESIGN II
COMD 3620 VIDEO PRODUCTION FOR COMMERCIALS	COMD 4611 PUBLICATION DESIGN	COMD 3621 MOTION DESIGN TECHNIQUES	COMD 3413 CHARACTER DESIGN	COMD 3663 DYNAMIC WEB I
COMD 3330 PHOTOGRAPHY II	COMD 3505 SPECIAL TOPICS IN GRAPHIC DESIGN	COMD 3640 3D ANIMATION I	COMD 3533 SPECIAL TOPICS IN ILLUSTRATION	COMD 3662 RICH MEDIA
COMD 3530 ADV. PHOTO STUDIO	COMD 3412 PACKAGING DESIGN	COMD 3523 STORYBOARD CONCEPTS	SELECT FROM ANY OTHER PATH	COMD 3652 WEB DESIGN III
ADDITIONAL SKILLS COURSES				
THAT MAY ENHANCE ANY OF THE ABOVE CAREER PATHS				
COMD 3316 ADV. IMAGE EDITING	COMD 3532 PROD. FOR DESIGNERS	COMD 3540 2D ANIMATION I	COMD 3292 3-DIMENSIONAL DESIGN	COMD 3711 VECTOR ART EDITING

COMD Art History /Studio Courses (ALL 6 Required)		
Students are required to take all five (6) courses listed below.		
COMD 3504 COM. DESIGN THEORY	COMD 4701 DESIGN TEAM	COMD 3701 DESIGN STUDIO
COMD 4801 THE PORTFOLIO	COMD 4830 SENIOR PROJECT	COMD 4900 INTERNSHIP (WI)

X2 = Courses that can be taken twice. *Note: You may need to meet with an advisor to get permission to register for the course again.* GREYED out class names haven't been offered recently.



**Associate Degree
(4 Semester Suggested Sequence)**

SEMESTER 01	SEMESTER 02	SEMESTER 03	SEMESTER 04
COMD 1100 Graphic Design Principles I	COMD 1200 Graphic Design Principles 2	COMD 2300 Communication Design I	COMD 2400 Communication Design II
COMD 1127 Type and Media	COMD 1257 Typographic Design	COMD 2320 Intro to Video	COMD 2451 Web Design I
COMD 1123 Foundation Drawing	COMD 1111 Digital Media Foundations	MAT 1190 or Higher MATH & Qualitative Reasoning	COMD 1233 Figure Drawing
COMD 1162 Raster and Vector Graphics	COMD 1340 Photography I	Life and Physical Science LPS Pathway	ARTH 3111 History of Graphic Design
ENG 1101 English Composition I	ENG 1201 English Composition 2	ARTH 11XX / AFR 1301, 1304 Any ARTH 1100 Series or Intro to African Art	ADD'L FLEX COMMON CORE WCGI/USED/IS/CE/SW Pathway

**Associate Degree
(5 Semester Suggested Sequence)**

SEMESTER 01	SEMESTER 02	SEMESTER 03	SEMESTER 04	SEMESTER 05
COMD 1100 Graphic Design Principles I	COMD 1111 Digital Media Foundations	COMD 1200 Graphic Design Principles 2	COMD 2300 Communication Design I	COMD 2400 Communication Design II
COMD 1127 Type and Media	COMD 1340 Photography I	COMD 1257 Typographic Design	COMD 2320 Intro to Video	COMD 2451 Web Design I
COMD 1162 Raster and Vector Graphics	COMD 1123 Foundation Drawing	MAT 1190 or Higher Math & Qualitative Reasoning	ADD'L FLEX COMMON CORE WCGI/USED/IS/CE/SW Pathway	COMD 1233 Figure Drawing
ENG 1101 English Composition I	ENG 1201 English Composition 2	Life and Physical Science LPS Pathway	ARTH 11XX / AFR 1301, 1304 Any ARTH 1100 Series or Intro to African Art	ARTH 3111 History of Graphic Design

COMD Major Courses

General Education Courses

**Bachelor's Degree
 (4 Semester Suggested Sequence)**

SEMESTER 05	SEMESTER 06	SEMESTER 07	SEMESTER 08
Upper-Level Skills Course (1)	COMD 4701 Design Team	COMD 3701 Design Studio	COMD 4830 Senior Project
Upper-Level Skills Course (2)	Upper-Level Skills Course (3)	COMD 3504 Com. Design Theory	COMD 4801 The Portfolio
Upper-Level Strategy Course (1)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (2)	COMD 4900 Internship	Liberal Arts
COM 1330 Public Speaking	Upper-Level Strategy Course (3)	Upper-Level Skills Course (4)	Adv. Lib Arts
FLEX COMMON CORE	ARTH 11XX / AFR 1301, 1304 Any ARTH 1100 Series or Intro to African Art	Interdisciplinary Course	FLEX COMMON CORE WCGI/USED/IS/CE/SW Pathway

**Bachelor's Degree
 (5 Semester Suggested Sequence)**

SEMESTER 06	SEMESTER 07	SEMESTER 08	SEMESTER 09	SEMESTER 10
Upper-Level Skills Course (1)	Upper-Level Skills Course (3)	COMD 3504 Com. Design Theory	COMD 3701 Design Studio	COMD 4830 Senior Project
Upper-Level Skills Course (2)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (2)	COMD 4701 Design Team	COMD 4900 Internship	COMD 4801 The Portfolio
Upper-Level Strategy Course (1)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (3)	Upper-Level Skills Course (4)	Interdisciplinary Course	Adv. Lib Arts
COM 1330 Public Speaking	ARTH 11XX / AFR 1301, 1304 Any ARTH 1100 Series or Intro to African Art	FLEX COMMON CORE	Liberal Arts	FLEX COMMON CORE WCGI/USED/IS/CE/SW Pathway

COMD Major Courses

General Education Courses

Bachelor's Degree – Articulated Transfer Student
 For BCC, BMCC, KCC students

(4 Semester Suggested Sequence)

SEMESTER 05	SEMESTER 06	SEMESTER 07	SEMESTER 08
COMD 2400 Communication Design II	Upper-Level Skills Course (1)	COMD 3701 Design Studio	COMD 4830 Senior Project
COMD 1257 Typographic Design	Upper-Level Skills Course (2)	Upper-Level Skills Course (4)	COMD 4801 The Portfolio
COMD 2320 Intro to Video	Upper-Level Strategy Course (1)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (2)	COMD 4900 Internship
COMD 3504 Com. Design Theory	Upper-Level Skills Course (3)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (3)	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)
COM 1330 Public Speaking	COMD 4701 Design Team	Interdisciplinary Course	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)

Bachelor's Degree – Articulated Transfer Student
(5 Semester Suggested Sequence)

SEMESTER 06	SEMESTER 07	SEMESTER 08	SEMESTER 09	SEMESTER 10
COMD 2400 Communication Design II	COMD 3504 Com. Design Theory	COMD 4701 Design Team	COMD 3701 Design Studio	COMD 4830 Senior Project
COMD 1257 Typographic Design	Upper-Level Skills Course (1)	Upper-Level Skills Course (3)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (3)	COMD 4801 The Portfolio
COMD 2320 Intro to Video	Upper-Level Skills Course (2)	Upper-Level Skills Course (4)	COMD 4900 Internship	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)
COM 1330 Public Speaking	Upper-Level Strategy Course (1)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (2)	Interdisciplinary Course	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)

COMD Major Courses	COMD Major Course Elective	General Education Courses
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Bachelor's Degree – Articulated Transfer Student
 For Bronx Community College

(4 Semester Suggested Sequence)

SEMESTER 05	SEMESTER 06	SEMESTER 07	SEMESTER 08
COMD 2400 Communication Design II	Upper-Level Skills Course (1)	COMD 3701 Design Studio	COMD 4830 Senior Project
COMD 2320 Intro to Video	Upper-Level Skills Course (2)	COMD 4701 Design Team	COMD 4801 The Portfolio
Refer to the recommended COMD course	Upper-Level Strategy Course (1)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (2)	COMD 4900 Internship
Refer to the recommended COMD course	Upper-Level Skills Course (3)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (3)	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)
COM 1330 Public Speaking	Interdisciplinary Course (ID)	COMD 3504 Com. Design Theory	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (2)

Bachelor's Degree – Articulated Transfer Student
(5 Semester Suggested Sequence)

SEMESTER 06	SEMESTER 07	SEMESTER 08	SEMESTER 09	SEMESTER 10
COMD 2400 Communication Design II	COMD 3504 Com. Design Theory	COMD 4701 Design Team	COMD 3701 Design Studio	COMD 4830 Senior Project
COMD 2320 Intro to Video	Upper-Level Skills Course (1)	Upper-Level Skills Course (3)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (3)	COMD 4801 The Portfolio
Refer to the recommended COMD course	Upper-Level Skills Course (2)	Upper-Level Skills Course (4)	COMD 4900 Internship	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)
COM 1330 Public Speaking	Upper-Level Strategy Course (1)	Upper-Level Strategy Course (2)	Interdisciplinary Course (ID)	Upper-Level ANY Add'l SKL / STR (1)

Recommended Course(s) for the first semester at City Tech: (select 2 for 6 cr)

If Interested in **Illustration**, take COMD 1233 or COMD 3313.

If Interested in **Advertising**, take COMD 1340.

If Interested in **Graphic Design / Web**, Take a COMD 3XXX level course upon advisement and department permission.