

**West Texas A&M University**  
**Advising Services**  
**Degree Checklist**  
**2026-2027**

(For assistance completing this form, contact Advising Services at 806-651-5300)

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **WT ID:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Graphic Design**  
**Department of Art, Theatre and Dance**  
**FAC 103 (806) 651-2799**

<b>CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS</b>		<b>HRS</b>
<b>Communication (Core 10)</b>		
ENGL 1301 Intro. to Academic Writing & Argumentation <b>OR</b> ENGL 1311 Writing About Ideas	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
<b>Mathematics (Core 20)</b>		
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: fourth hr. moves to Core 90)	3	
<b>Life and Physical Sciences (Core 30)</b>		
<b>Take two courses from:</b> ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1308, 1407* or 1309*, 1411, 1413, 2401, 2402; CHEM 1305* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1301 or 1403, 1302, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1311, 1312, 1371, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307 - <i>BIOL 1406, 1407, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1411, 1412; GEOL 1403, 1404; PHYS 1401, 1402, 2425, 2426: 4<sup>th</sup> hr. moves to Core 90</i>		
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<b>Language, Philosophy and Culture (Core 40)</b>		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371 <b>Choose 1</b>	3	
<b>Creative Arts (Core 50)</b>		
See University Core Requirements below	(3)	
<b>American History (Core 60)</b>		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381, 2382 <b>Choose 2</b>	6	
<b>Government/Political Science (Core 70)</b>		
POSC 2305 and 2306	6	
<b>Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core 80)</b>		
AGBE 2317*; COMM 2377; CRIJ 1301; ECON 2301, 2302; GEOG 1302; PSYC 2301; SOCI 1301 <b>Choose 1</b>	3	
<b>Component Area Option (Core 90)</b>		
<b>Take six hours from:</b> AGRI 2300; BUSI 1301, 1304; CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; EDUC 1300; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*, 1312*, 2311*; HNRS 2171; HSCI 2300; IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); MUSI 1053 (1-2 hours); PHIL 2303; SES 1120;		
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Also, extra 4 <sup>th</sup> -hour credits from Core 20 and Core 30 (MATH, BIOL, CHEM, ENVR, GEOL, PHYS)		
<b>ART MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 81 HOURS</b> A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
<b>UNIVERSITY CORE REQUIREMENTS: 3 HOURS</b>		
<b>CORE 50</b> ARTS 1303 Art History I	3	
<b>ARTS SEMINAR</b>		
ARTS SMNR Arts Seminar <i>- Graphic Design majors are required to enroll in four semesters.</i>	0,0,0,0	0
<b>FOUNDATION ARTS: 15 HOURS</b>		
ARTS 1304 Art History II	3	
ARTS 1311 Design I	3	
ARTS 1312 Design II	3	
ARTS 1316 Drawing I	3	
ARTS 1317* Drawing II (ARTS 2323 or 3321 may substitute)	3	
<b>INTERMEDIATE ARTS: 18 HOURS</b>		
ARTS 2313* Graphic Design I	3	
ARTS 2316 Painting I	3	
ARTS 2323* Drawing III-Life	3	

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ARTS 2333* Printmaking I	3	
ARTS 2378* Type I	3	
ARTS 2326* Sculpture I <b>OR</b> ARTS 2346 Ceramics I	3	
<b>GRAPHIC DESIGN: 33 HOURS</b>		
ARTS 2377* Digital Art I	3	
ARTS 3313* Graphic Design II	3	
ARTS 3376* Animation I	3	
ARTS 3378* Type II	3	
ARTS 3379* Illustration I	3	
ARTS 3383* Web Design	3	
ARTS 4098* Art Internship (take for 3 hours)	3	
ARTS 4313* Graphic Design III	3	
ARTS 4379* Illustration II	3	
ARTS 4394* BFA Senior Project	3	
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<b>ADVANCED ART HISTORY: 9 HOURS</b> Courses (except ARTS 3302) may be repeated as topic changes. Must take at least one ARTS 4370 and one ARTS 4371.		
ARTS 4370 Seminar in Aesthetics and Visual Culture	3	
ARTS 4371 Art History	3	
<b>Choose one additional course from:</b> ARTS 3302 Art of Fashion ARTS 3392 Special Topics (in art history) ARTS 4370 Seminar in Aesthetics and Visual Culture ARTS 4371 Art History		
	3	
<b>ARTS ELECTIVES: 3 HOURS</b>		
ARTS ELECTIVE (any level)	3	
<b>MINIMUM HOURS REQUIRED TO COMPLETE DEGREE</b>	<b>120</b>	

\* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

\*\* While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

\*\*\* Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

**NOTE: This is NOT a degree plan. All undergraduate students must request an official degree plan from their academic dean's office by the time they have completed 30 credit hours.**

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<b>Year 1: Fall</b>		<b>Year 1: Spring</b>	
CORE 10 (Communication) – ENGL 1301 or 1311 <sup>1</sup>	3	CORE 10 (Communication) – COMM 1315, 1318 or 1321 <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 20 (Mathematics) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3	CORE 40 (Lang., Phil. & Culture) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 50 (Creative Arts) – ARTS 1303 Art History I <sup>1</sup>	3	ARTS 1304 Art History II	3
CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – IDS 1071 ( <b>recommended</b> ) <sup>1</sup>	1-3	ARTS 1312 Design II	3
ARTS 1311 Design I	3	ARTS 1317 Drawing II (ARTS 2323 or 3321 may substitute)	3
ARTS 1316 Drawing I	3	ARTS SMNR Arts Seminar	0
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<b>Total:</b>	<b>16-18</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Year 2: Fall</b>		<b>Year 2: Spring</b>	
CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3	CORE 30 (Life & Phys. Sci.) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3	ARTS 2316 Painting I	3
ARTS 2313 Graphic Design I	3	ARTS 2333 Printmaking I	3
ARTS 2323 Drawing III – Life	3	ARTS 2377 Digital Art I	3
ARTS 2326 Sculpture I or ARTS 2346 Ceramics I	3	ARTS 2378 Type I	3
ARTS Seminar	0	ARTS Seminar	0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Year 3: Fall</b>		<b>Year 3: Spring</b>	
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3	CORE 70 (Govt./Political Sci.) – POSC 2305 <sup>1</sup>	3
CORE 70 (Govt./Political Sci.) – POSC 2306 <sup>1</sup>	3	CORE 90 (Component Area Option) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3
ARTS 3313 Graphic Design II	3	ARTS 3378 Type II	3
ARTS 3376 Animation I	3	ARTS 3379 Illustration I	3
ARTS 4371 Art History	3	ARTS 4370 Seminar in Aesthetics and Visual Culture	3
<b>Total:</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Year 4: Fall</b>		<b>Year 4: Spring</b>	
CORE 80 (Soc. & Behav. Sci.) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	3	ARTS 3302, 3392, 4370, or 4371	3
CORE 90 (Component Area Opt.) – See checklist for options <sup>1</sup>	0-2	ARTS 3383 Web Design	3
ARTS 4098 Art Internship (take for 3 hours)	3	ARTS 4379 Illustration II	3
ARTS 4313 Graphic Design III	3	ARTS 4394 BFA Senior Project	3
ARTS 4394 BFA Senior Project	3	ARTS Elective (any level)	3
<b>Total:</b>	<b>12-14</b>	<b>Total:</b>	<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> **CORE:** Graphic Design majors are required to take a specific course for Core 50. For all other categories, they may select from any available options (see degree checklist). Apart from the major-specific core requirements, there is no set order in which core courses must be taken.

<p><b>Identified Marketable Skills</b></p> <p>1. Pre-professional experience/internship 2. Digital/technical literacy 3. Interdisciplinary skills/experience</p>	<p><b>Top Three Local Employers or Industries/Professional Programs/Possible Career Opportunities</b></p>
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**Additional notes:**

- The core curriculum must total exactly 42 hours; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.
- At least 36 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.