



Program Map



Graphic Design - Associate in Fine Arts Degree

Area of Study: Creative and Communication Arts

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At Clark, we nurture and provide a welcoming space for students to develop their artistic ambitions. Whether you are interested in getting into the arts or looking to expand your skills, we have a variety of courses that include painting, drawing, ceramics, and graphic design. Our faculty works collaboratively with students to help develop long-term educational goals and prepare them for transfer to four-year institutions. Courses are also offered for students taking electives or exploring the arts.

Kathrena Halsinger is the faculty advisor for Graphic Design, please email her directly at khalsinger@clark.edu for more info.

> Free [Tutoring Services](#) are available to support you throughout your degree completion.

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Year One

Fall Term

- ENGL& 101 English Composition..... 5
- DMA 101 Photoshop Raster Graphics 4
- Art 103 Drawing I 3
- Art 172 Graphic Design Exploration 3

Winter Term

- DMA 102 Illustrator Vector Graphics 4
- ART 101 2D Art & Design..... 5
- ART 110 Creativity & Concept 3
- ENGR& 104 (preferred) OR ASTR& 101 OR BIOL 101 OR ENVS 109 OR GEOL& 101^ 5

Spring Term

- Art 272 Graphic Design History 5
- CMST& 230 Small Group Communication^ 5
- CMST 102, DRMA 154, ENGL 173, ENGL 175, ENGL 176 or WS 101^ 5

Summer Term

- MATH& 107: Math in Society..... 5
- Any HPE3 or (HEALTH2 + PE1) of choice^ 3
- ART 104: Observational Drawing or Art 203: Human Figure 4

Approximate Costs Each Term

Tuition \$1490* for 15 credits per term plus books, supplies, and miscellaneous fees. *Tuition based on Washington resident rates. View [residency classifications](#) on our website.

Year Two

Fall Term

- ART 173 Graphic Design Studio I.....4
- ART 174 Typography3
- See elective list below.....5

Winter Term

- ART 270 Publication Production3
- ART 271 Typography II5
- ART 273 Graphic Design Studio II.....4
- See elective list below.....3-5

Spring Term

- ART 215 Portfolio Development3
- ART 274 Graphic Design Studio III.....4
- See elective list below.....3-5

Elective List: ART 104, ART 118, ART 120, ART 121, ART 123, ART 124, ART 203, ART 204, ART 208, ART 257, ART 258, ART 260, ART 261, ENGL 128, ENGL 277, any DMA class not already required

98 units required. View the [Clark College Catalog](#) for additional program information.

Key: ^ Alternative classes are available to fit your schedule or interest. & Common Course in the State of Washington.

Customize with Advising

Make an appointment online with Advising Services to learn more about customizing your academic plan at clark.edu/advising.

How to Enroll

Visit Clark College's Welcome Center in Gaiser Hall room 127 or the [Get Started webpage](#) for information on becoming a new student. Email start@clark.edu or call 360-992-2078.

Apply for Admission

Support Services

At Clark College, we know that everyone who walks through our doors is a unique person with diverse, interesting and sometimes challenging circumstances. We are committed to ensuring each and every student can succeed at Clark, and are committed to serving systemically non-dominant communities, including (but not limited to) people of color, those who identify as LGBTQIA2S+ and people with disabilities. We have resource centers, clubs, programs and activities for all students.

Visit our [Student Support page](#) for more information.

Funding Options at Clark

There are many resources available to help students cover the costs to attend college—tuition, books, fees, tools, transportation, childcare, etc.—so you can focus on completing your degree or certificate.

Grants Based on need. You do not need to pay back grants.

Scholarships Similar to grants, and there are different criteria; Clark College awards hundreds of thousands of dollars to students each year. We encourage everyone to apply!

Student Employment & Work Study Money you earn through working part-time; this helps to reduce your reliance on loans, and build your skills and resume.

Loans If you do need to borrow additional funds to pay for college-related expenses, you can consider loans. It is money you borrow and will pay back with interest.

Specific Assistance For Veterans, worker retraining, DREAMers, students receiving DSHS benefits, and more.

For more information, visit our [paying for college website](#) or visit the **Office of Financial Aid in Gaiser Hall room 101**.

Career Opportunities

Career exploration and planning is an essential step to establishing your academic journey at Clark College and beyond. Career Services connects you with resources and strategies for career planning in six areas: knowing self; career awareness; relationship building and networking; work-based learning; job-search skills; and career readiness competencies. You are encouraged to participate in *MyPlan*, a comprehensive and interactive guide with activities to support your career, academic, and financial wellness planning. Visit [Career Services](#) in the **Penguin Union Building room 002**.

Students who complete the **Associate in Fine Arts – Graphic Design Degree** could be employed as:
Some careers may require a bachelor's degree or higher

Graphic Designer
Web Designer
Illustrator
Animator
Multimedia Artists

Marketing Communications
Social Media Specialist
Art Teacher
Muralist
Fine Artist

Career exploration information created by Clark Faculty and Staff.



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