

## ACADEMIC ROADMAP

Art & Design, BFA Concentration in Ceramics (CER), BFA-AS-AAD (CER)  
Spring 2026, GE 23

### Freshman Year (30 credits)

#### FIRST SEMESTER

| Course Title               | Catalog Number  | Prerequisite(s) |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------|
| College Writing I          | CWP 101   |                 |
| Drawing I                  | AAD 101   |                 |
| Introduction to 2-D Design | AAD 102   |                 |
| Introduction to 3-D Design | AAD 103   |                 |
| Art History I or II        | GE Credits from 3 diff. categories, 1st course* Arts AAD 251 or AAD 252 |                 |

#### SECOND SEMESTER

| Course Title                      | Catalog Number   | Prerequisite(s) |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Argumentation and Research        | CWP 102  | CWP 101         |
| Digital Presentation Methods      | AAD 104  |                 |
| Themes/Issues in Contemporary Art | AAD 150  |                 |
| Art History I or II               | GE Credits from any category, any combination, 1st course* Arts AAD 251 or AAD 252 |                 |
| Ceramics I                        | DES 220  |                 |

### Notes and recommendations:

You should attend at least one faculty office hour, visit Academic Excellence Center (math, writing, and general tutoring), and view your degree audit sheet in Degree Works this year.

### Sophomore Year (60 credits)

#### THIRD SEMESTER

| Course Title   | Catalog Number        | Prerequisite(s) |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|
| DES 230 Introduction to Jewelry or DES 242 Fibers I or DES 250 Wood Design I | DES 230 or 242 or 250 |                 |
| History of Craft   | DES 312               | AAD 150         |
| Ceramics II  | DES 320               | DES 220         |
| Introduction to Sculpture  | FAR 240               | FAR 101         |
|  | GE Math *             |                 |

#### FOURTH SEMESTER

| Course Title   | Catalog Number        | Prerequisite(s) |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Introduction to Digital Fabrication  | AAD 105               |                 |
| DES 230 Introduction to Jewelry or DES 242 Fibers I or DES 250 Wood Design I | DES 230 or 242 or 250 |                 |
| Ceramics Junior Studio   | DES 321               | DES 320         |

| Course Title | Catalog Number           | Prerequisite(s) |
|--------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
|              | GE Nat. Sci./Sci Reason* |                 |
|              | GE Diversity* 3XX UL**   |                 |

**Notes and recommendations:**

Consider enrolling in a second major, minor, or certificate program. A portfolio review is required after completion of AAD 101, AAD 102, AAD 103, AAD 104, and the completion of the introductory course in the major (DES 220). To continue in the B.F.A. degree program, the student must maintain a 2.5 grade point average in the major. Form a study group.

**Junior Year (90 credits)**

FIFTH SEMESTER

| Course Title   | Catalog Number                                  | Prerequisite(s)   |
|--|---|-------------------|
| DES 230 Introduction to Jewelry or DES 242 Fibers I or DES 250 Wood Design I | DES 230 or 242 or 250                           |                   |
| Ceramics Junior Studio   | DES 321   | DES 320           |
| Figure Modeling  | FAR 345   | Any studio course |
|  | GE Credits from 3 diff. categories, 2nd course* |                   |
|  | GE Credits from 3 diff. categories, 3rd course* |                   |

SIXTH SEMESTER

| Course Title                        | Catalog Number   | Prerequisite(s)      |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Computer 3-D Modeling and Rendering | DES 338  | AAD 105              |
| Ceramics Senior Studio              | DES 421  | DES 321              |
|                                     | DES/FAR 3XX UL** Studio Elective                           | Intro course in area |
|                                     | GE Credits from any category, any combination, 2nd course* |                      |
|                                     | Elective   |                      |

**Notes and recommendations:**

Visit the Career & Professional Education Center to discuss appropriate career options.

**Senior Year (120 credits)**

SEVENTH SEMESTER

| Course Title           | Catalog Number   | Prerequisite(s)      |
|------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Ceramics Senior Studio | DES 421  | DES 321              |
|                        | DES/FAR 3XX UL Studio Elective                             | Intro course in area |
|                        | GE Credits from any category, any combination, 3rd course* |                      |
|                        | 3XX or 4XX UL** Elective                                   |                      |
|                        | Elective   |                      |

EIGHTH SEMESTER

| Course Title           | Catalog Number           | Prerequisite(s)                           |
|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Senior Seminar         | AAD 470                  | Senior status, Art and Design majors only |
| Ceramics Senior Studio | DES 421                  | DES 321                                   |
|                        | DES/FAR Studio Elective  |   |
|                        | 3XX or 4XX UL** Elective |   |
|                        | Elective                 |   |

**Notes and recommendations:**

Apply for graduation; apply to graduate school, if applicable; visit the Career & Professional Education Center to have your resume reviewed.

B.F.A. concentration requirements total 78 credits. The course sequence may be subject to change.

\*General Education (GE) courses, \*\*3XX or 4XX UL refers to an upper-level course. 45 UL credits needed.

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