

2023-2024 Block Transfer Map: Qualifying Transfer Associate Degree from a Wyoming Community College to the University of Wyoming

B.F.A. Visual Communication Design

This Block Transfer has been written for students who have earned a qualifying transfer associate degree (*Associate of Arts (AA)*, *Associate of Science (AS)*, *Associate of Business (AB)*, or *Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN)*) with a minimum of sixty (60) credits in any major from one of the Wyoming Community Colleges (WYCC) who wish to complete the Bachelors with a major in Visual Communication Design at the University of Wyoming (UW).

While some of the courses taken for the associate degree at the Community College are not specified in this document, the UW degree program relies on the foundational coursework completed for the associate degree to prepare the student for baccalaureate-level study.

Students may create a [WyoTransfer](#) account now to see how all completed coursework fulfills specific degree requirements.

Courses/categories that could/should be taken at the WYCCs are highlighted in GREEN. Students may satisfy these requirements by taking an equivalent course at a community college. The UW course is listed on the left; if a community college offers an equivalent course, it will be listed under the community college name in the table.

Courses/categories that are offered at some (but not all) of the WYCCs and at UW are highlighted in TURQUOISE. Students may take these courses at a community college that offers an equivalent course or after transferring to UW.

Courses/categories that must be taken at UW are highlighted in GOLD. If a student wishes to take any of these course at another institution, they must speak with their UW academic adviser.

Pending Community College Confirmation

BLOCK 1: University Studies Program (USP) Requirements

This degree requires that The University Studies Program 2015 requirements are met before graduation. Some of the courses required for this major fulfill USP requirements, but not all. Students should check their degree evaluations and consult with their assigned academic advisor to discuss their specific course plan.

Please refer to the [University Catalog](#) and click on the link in the left-hand navigation pane titled “The University Studies Program 2015” for more information.

A grade of C or above is required for University Studies Program (USP) categories: FYS, C1, C2, and C3.

	USP Requirement	UW Course in Major
C1	Communication 1 (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
C2	Communication 2 (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
C3	Communication 3 (3cr)	ART 4600 Required for Degree
Q	Quantitative Reasoning (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
PN	Physical and Natural World (1) (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
PN	Physical and Natural World (2) (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
H	Human Culture (1) (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
H	Human Culture (2) (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
V	U.S. & WY Constitution (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree
	Any 3-credit hour of FYS or 3-credit hours of USP electives (3cr)	Satisfied upon completion of qualifying associate degree

BLOCK 2: A&S College Core - Global Awareness and Diversity

See <http://www.uwyo.edu/as/current-students/index.html> for more info

D	Diversity (3cr) The BFA in Visual Communication Design requires the A&S College Core
G	Global (3cr) The BFA in Visual Communication Design the A&S College Core

Visual Communication Design, B.F.A.

The B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design is a professional level degree open to outstanding students through an application process who are preparing for design studies, careers and professional activity in design beyond the undergraduate level.

BLOCK 3:

- **University of Wyoming Requirements:**
- Total minimum credits required (including transfer credit) is 120 credits.
- Students must complete 42 hours of upper division (3000-level or above) coursework, 30 of which must be taken in residence at UW.
- No more than 4 credits of physical activity may be applied to the minimum credit hour requirement for UW baccalaureate degree.
- Minimum Cumulative GPA is 2.00.
- Students may not take a course for S/U credit to satisfy any requirement unless the course is offered for S/U credit only. (UW S/U grade policy statement for Spring 2020: [covid19-transfer-policy-statement.pdf \(uwyo.edu\)](#))
- The UW Office of the Registrar provides final approval of degree completion requirements prior to the awarding of any degree.

Lower Division Course Requirements

UW Courses	Casper College	Central Wyoming College	Eastern Wyoming College	Laramie County Community College	Northern Wyoming Community College District	Northwest College Wyoming	Western Wyoming Community College
Foundation Core Courses							
ART 1005 - Drawing I (3cr)	ART 1005	ART 1005	Pending EWC Approval	Pending LCCC Approval	ART 1005	ART 1005	ART 1005
ART 1110 - Foundation: Two Dimensional (3cr)	ART 1110	ART 1110			ART 1110	ART 1110	ART 1110
ART 1115 - Digital Media (1cr)	ART 1115				ART 1115		ART 1115
ART 1120 - Foundation: Three Dimensional (3cr)	ART 1120	ART 1120			ART 1120	ART 1120	ART 1120
ART 1130 - Foundation: Color Theory (3cr)	ART 1130	ART 1130			ART 1130	ART 1130	ART 1130
ART 2000 - Portfolio Review (1cr) <small>Prerequisite: successful completion of ART 1005, ART 1110, ART 1120, and ART 1130, and a UW GPA of 2.500 or above.</small>					ART 2000		
ART 2305 - Techniques: Wood/Art Preparation (1cr)					ART 2305		
Studio Core: 12 Hours 12 credits chosen from the below. At least one core course must be from 2D and one from 3D.							
2D Studio: Note only one Photography class can count in the Studio Core							
ART 2005 - Drawing II (3cr)	ART 2005				ART 2005	ART 2005	ART 2005
ART 2210 - Painting I (3cr)	ART 2210	ART 2210			ART 2210	ART 2210	ART 2210
ART 2112 - VCD I Visual Thinking (3cr)	ART 2112				ART 2112	ART 2120	

BLOCK 3 Continued: Lower Division Course Requirements – continued

UW Courses	Casper College	Central Wyoming College	Eastern Wyoming College	Laramie County Community College	Northern Wyoming Community College District	Northwest College Wyoming	Western Wyoming Community College
ART 2255 - Introduction to Photography, Digital (3cr) OR ART 2265 - Introduction to Photography, Black and White (3cr)	ART 2145 Or ART 1150	ART 2145 Or ART 1150			ART 2145		ART 2145 Or ART 1150
3D Studio Note: only one Ceramics class can count in the Studio Core							
ART 2310 - Sculptural Practices I (3cr)	ART 2310	ART 2310			ART 2310		
ART 2350 - Metalsmithing I (3cr)	ART 2350						
ART 2410 - Ceramics I (3cr) Or ART 2420 - Ceramics II (3cr)	ART 2410 or ART 2420	ART 2410 or ART 2420			ART 2410 or ART 2420	ART 2410 or ART 2420	ART 2410 or ART 2420
Art History and Design Theory Core 9 Hours							
ART 2010 - Art History I (H) (3cr)	ART 2010	ART 2010			ART 2010	ART 2010	ART 2010
ART 2020 - Art History II (H) (3cr)	ART 2020 + ART 2035*	ART 2020			ART 2020	ART 2020	ART 2020
<i>*Beginning Spring 2024, Students at Casper College must take both ART 2020 & 2035 to earn the equivalent of ART 2020 at UW.</i>							
ART 2030 - History of Graphic Design (3cr)							
VCD Core: 12 Hours							
ART 2110 - Type I: Thinking with Type (3cr)	ART 2110					ART 2110	
ART 2112 - VCD I Visual Thinking (3cr)	ART 2112				ART 2112	ART 2112	
ART 2122 - VCD II Visual Programming (3cr)	ART 2125				ART 2122	ART 2130	
ART 2255 - Introduction to Photography, Digital (3cr) Or ART 2265 - Introduction to Photography, Black and White (3cr)	ART 2145 Or ART 1150	ART 2145 Or ART 1150			ART 2145		ART 2145 Or ART 1150

Block 5: Upper Division Requirements	
UW Course Title	
Upper Division 2D Studio Elective:	
ART 3510 - Printmaking I (3cr)	<i>To be included in 12 total credit hour of 2D/3D Studio Requirements if taken</i>
Upper Division Art History - 20th and 21st Century: 6 hours	
ART 4740 - 20 th Century European Art (3cr)	
ART4770 - Contemporary Arts Seminar (3cr)	
Upper Division VCD Core	
ART 3112 - Type: Type, Images, and Narrative (3cr)	
ART 3120 - VCD III: Visual Making (3cr)	
ART 3150 - VCD IV: Visual Imaging in Time (3cr)	
ART 4120 - VCD VI: Senior Design Studio (3cr)	
ART 4400 - Internship (1-3cr)	
OR	
ART 4425 - Graphics Internship (3cr)	
BFA Core	
ART 4010 - Contemporary Art: Theory/Practice (C3) (3cr)	
ART 4600 - Professional Practices and Strategies (C3) (3cr)	
ART 4800 – BFA Capstone I (3cr)	<i>Offered only fall semester</i>
ART 4840 – BFA Capstone II (3cr)	<i>Offered only spring semester</i>
Upper Division Studio Electives	
<i>9 credits of any upper division studio art classes</i>	

BLOCK 4: Foreign Language (8 hours): 2 semesters of any Foreign Language							
UW Courses	Casper College	Central Wyoming College	Eastern Wyoming College	Laramie County Community College	Northern Wyoming Community College District	Northwest College Wyoming	Western Wyoming Community College
LANG 1010 - First Semester in (TOPIC) (CHIN/GERM/GRK/FREN/JAPN/LATN/NAIS/SPAN 1010 or SPPA 2110) (1-4cr)	ASL/ FREN/ GERM/ JAPN/ SPAN 1010	ARAP/ ASL/ FREN/ SPAN 1010			ASL/ CHIN/ FREN/ GERM/ SPAN 1010	JAPN/ SPAN 1010	ASL 1200 or FREN/ SPAN 1010
LANG 1020 - Second Semester in (TOPIC) (CHIN/GERM/GRK/FREN/JAPN/LATN/SPAN 1020 or SPPA 2120) (1-4cr)	ASL/ FREN/ GERM/ JAPN/ SPAN 1020	ARAP/ ASL/ FREN/ SPAN 1020			ASL/ CHIN/ FREN/ GERM SPAN 1020	JAPN/ SPAN 1020	ASL 1220 or FREN/ SPAN 1020

Additional Requirements

Designers explore a variety of visual communication design topics dealing with diverse messages and audiences. Students interested in pursuing a career in design, including visual communication design, graphic design, motion graphics, animation, digital media, etc. may apply into the B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design. Students planning to graduate in four years with a B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design should complete their Foundation Core in their Freshman year and take the appropriate Studio Core classes in their sophomore year. As a Professional Degree, the B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design does not include the A&S Outside Major credit requirement.

Students must earn a grade of C or better in all courses taken to satisfy department requirements. Courses in the major must be taken for a letter grade. To obtain a B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design degree in the Department of Visual and Literary Arts students must have a minimum 3.00 overall UW-total institutional GPA, and a 3.25 GPA in all major courses at the time of graduation.

The Visual Communication Design degree provides students with a human-centered approach to making and thinking as designers. Students learn through digital and hand's-on-making design challenges to develop critical narrative skills and refine their ability to think conceptually. Individual projects and research prepare each student to think flexibly in an international community that is

continually being influenced by new ideas, tools, and technologies. The Visual Arts Building, design computer classroom, and design and fabrication studio facilities offer undergraduate students ample research, design, and production space and access to cutting-edge technology, and open-source and industry standard software and tools for design exploration.

Application

Formal application is made to the program for acceptance into the B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design degree program. Application must be submitted at least three semesters prior to the applicant's anticipated graduation. Favorable faculty review of the application materials are required before a student is declared a candidate for the B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design degree. Applicants must have achieved the following at the time of application to the B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design:

- C or better in all major classes
- 3.25 GPA or above within major classes
- 3.00 or above overall UW total institutional GPA

Undergraduate majors proceed with meeting the USP requirements for the B.A. in Studio Art and balance with foundation, art history, and studio core requirements in the major until formally accepted as a B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design candidate. Students should apply at least three semesters before graduation. Application does not automatically guarantee acceptance into the B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design program.

Final Year

During their final year and in conjunction with the spring B.F.A. exhibition, students enroll in two sequential capstone courses: BFA Capstone I (fall) and II (spring). The courses outline the deadline and requirements for the B.F.A. exhibition as well as coordinating mentoring of B.F.A. candidates. If faculty deem their work insufficient, they reserve the right to exclude the work from the exhibition and withhold the B.F.A. degree. Students transferring to the Department of Visual and Literary Arts who have completed their foundation core and successfully passed portfolio review are eligible to apply for a B.F.A. in Visual Communication Design after one semester in the Art and Art History Program.

Course Substitutions: Block articulations are intended to reflect direct published equivalencies between institutions. UW academic departments occasionally arrange for course substitutions when indirect equivalencies exist. Please contact a UW Academic Advisor for details.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This document is in effect as of the 2023-2024 catalog year; it reflects the published UW curriculum as of that date. Any changes to the UW curriculum or the WYCC course equivalents will require this document to be updated. To request an updated document, faculty should contact transfer@uwyo.edu via email.