

4 YEAR FLIGHT PLAN: BFA in Graphic Design

FAU is committed to your success as a student. One way we define student success is efficient and effective progression through your degree program.

This Flight Plan is a tool to assist you in planning the courses you should complete and the milestones you should reach during your undergraduate studies so you may graduate on time. It is our intention that you complete this planning tool in *collaboration with an academic advisor* to ensure good understanding of:

- Which graduation requirements you have satisfied
- Which Intellectual Foundations and elective courses match your career plans
- How to balance coursework with your other responsibilities (e.g., employment) and optional activities (e.g., mentored research, study abroad, student organizations, leadership)
- How to get the most from your academic experience at FAU

Your academic advisor will help you customize and maintain your Flight Plan during the next four years so that you stay on track for success at FAU. In order to graduate on time, you will need to:

- Complete an average of 30 credit hours per year
- Earn 120 credit hours, at least 45 in the upper division (3000 or 4000 level)
- Earn at least 9 credit hours in summer coursework (or equivalent)

Your advisor will help you identify what additional milestones apply to you, as well as how you may even graduate early or enter an accelerated graduate program. If you have any questions at all about your FAU Flight Plan, feel free to contact any of the following individuals for assistance. They are here to help!

Your Academic Advising Professionals

University Advising Services

Office Location: Student Support Services building (SU80), Room 201
Email Address, Phone Number: advisingservices@fau.edu, 561-297-3064
Additional Information: www.fau.edu/uas

College/Program Advisor

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Academic Program Information

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Additional Program Information: <http://www.fau.edu/vaah/>
Career/Professional Development (Art History)
<http://www.fau.edu/cdc/students/majors/arthistory.php>
(Studio Art)
<http://www.fau.edu/cdc/students/majors/studioart.php>

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Program:	Date:
Advisor:	Contact:

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NOTE: Some students may be required to maintain a GPA of 2.75 or higher to remain eligible for scholarships or to be stronger candidates for admission to internships, graduate programs, and professional schools. Please confirm your required GPA with your academic advisor. Please note that students meet with an advisor from University Advising Services (UAS) until they have reached 45 credits, and then they meet with a departmental advisor from the college Student Advising Services (SAS).

YEAR 1			
Semester ___: () Summer (X) Fall () Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
ENC 1101 College Writing 1 (<i>req.</i>)	3	1. Declare your major by end of semester.	2. Complete Major Knowledge, print out and bring to advising appointment. 3. Create student profile in OWL CareerLink. 4. Meet with your UAS academic advisor. 5. Please note that Foreign Language courses may be taken during the summer semesters.
ARH 2050 Art History Survey 1 <i>(Satisfies one of two Foundation of Creative Expression courses) *</i>	3		
ART 1201C Design 1	3		
Foundations Society and Human Behavior	3		
Foreign Language 1	4		
Total	16		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:			
Semester ___: () Summer () Fall (X) Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
ENC 1102 College Writing II (<i>or equivalent</i>)	3	1. Consider Study Abroad in Art History, Studio Art, Archaeology, Foreign Language or other in Year or 3.	1. Develop Individual Learning Plan for career development. 2. Attend Carnival of Majors Fair. 3. Confirm/declare your major. 4. Meet with your UAS academic advisor. 5. Formalize your academic major 6. Please note that Foreign Language courses may be taken during the summer semesters.
ARH 2051 Art History Survey 2	3		
ART 1300C Drawing 1	3		
ART 2600C Intro. to Digital Art	3		
Foreign Language 2	4		
Total	16		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:			
Semester ___: (X) Summer () Fall () Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
Creative Expression	3	Students are required to take 9 credit hours of summer coursework, which is included in total credits. Please work with your adviser to select appropriate summer classes. This is necessary to ensure that you complete the minimum number of credit hours needed for graduation.	
Total			
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:			

*Visual Arts and Art History is working to have ARH2050 accepted as Creative Expressions in the IFP. Please be sure to check with your adviser on its status before taking this course.

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YEAR 2

Semester ___: () Summer (X) Fall () Spring

Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
GRA 2190C Visual Design Lab 1	4	1. Maintain good academic standing.	1. Explore internship opportunities through OWL Career Link. 2. Meet with your UAS academic advisor.
Foundations in Global Citizenship course (<i>Gordon Rule Writing</i>)	3		
Foundations Science & Natural World	3		
ART 1203C Three-dimensional Design	3		
Foundations in Math course (<i>MGF 1106 Math for Liberal Arts recommended</i>)	3		
Total	16		

Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:

Semester ___: () Summer () Fall (X) Spring

Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
GRA 2208C Typographic Design Lab 1	4	1. Maintain good academic standing.	1. Enrollment in GRA 3435 is based on specific needs in preparation for computer programs in design. 2. The free non-major elective can be adjusted according to enrollment for Term 6. 3. Meet with your SAS academic advisor.
Foundations Society and Human Behavior	3		
Foundations of Creative Expression course (<i>Gordon Rule Writing</i>)	3		
Foundations in Math course (<i>MGF 1107 Math for Liberal Arts recommended</i>)	3		
[GRA3435 – Technology Intensive]	[1-4]		
Free non-major elective	3		
Total	16		

Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:

Semester ___: (X) Summer () Fall () Spring

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		Students are required to take 9 credit hours of summer coursework, which is included in total credits. Please work with your adviser to select appropriate summer classes. This is necessary to ensure that you complete the minimum number of credit hours needed for graduation.	
Total			

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YEAR 3

Semester ___: () Summer (X) Fall () Spring

Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
Portfolio Review	***	1. Maintain good academic standing. 2. Consider Study Abroad Options.	1. Attend job/graduate school fairs. 2. Meet with your SAS academic advisor. 3. Visit the Career Development Center. 4. N.B. Some labs are 3 credits – if you choose one of them, make sure that you add one more credit in a later semester.
GRA 3112C Typographic Design Lab 2	4		
ARH4724 -- History of Graphic Design (<i>required</i>)	4		
Foundations of Science & Natural World - lab	3-4		
GRA 4521C Interactive Design Lab 1	4		
Total	15-16		

Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:

Semester ___: () Summer () Fall (X) Spring

Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
Foundations in Global Citizenship course	3	1. Consider internship options. 2. Consider graduate study	1. Visit with career counselors for job search or graduate school planning. 2. Please note that three upper division Art History courses are slated to be mandatory for the program.
GRA 3193C Visual Design Lab 2	4		
GRA 4183C Typographic Design Lab 3	4		
Art History (<i>upper division course</i>)	4		
Total	15		

Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:

Semester ___: (X) Summer () Fall () Spring

Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
		Students are required to take 9 credit hours of summer coursework, which is included in total credits. Please work with your adviser to select appropriate summer classes. This is necessary to ensure that you complete the minimum number of credit hours needed for graduation.	
Total			

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YEAR 4			
Semester ___: () Summer (X) Fall () Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
GRA 4194C Visual Design Lab 3	4	1. Maintain good academic standing.	1. Continue job/graduate school planning. 2. Attend job/graduate school fairs. 3. Meet with your SAS academic advisor.
Out-of-concentration Studio Art elective (e.g. ART 3161C)	4		
In-concentration Design Elective	4		
Total	12		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:			
Semester ___: () Summer () Fall (X) Spring			
Courses and Credit Hours		Milestones	Advising Tips
ART 4955C Senior Seminar	4	1. Maintain good academic standing. 2. Submit Application for Degree.	
GRA 4115C Visual Design Lab 4	4		
Out-of-concentration Studio Art elective (e.g. PGY 2800C)	4		
Total	12		
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Students are required to take 9 credit hours of summer coursework, which is included in total credits. Please work with your adviser to select appropriate summer classes. This is necessary to ensure that you complete the minimum number of credit hours needed for graduation.

You and your advisor will customize your Flight Plan and update it as necessary as you progress through your program.

More Information

Academic Program Requirements and Career/Professional Development Information:

<http://www.fau.edu/cdc/students/majors/>

Student Policies, Services, and Resources:

<http://www.fau.edu/handbook/>

Registration, Transcripts, Forms, Student Records:

<http://www.fau.edu/registrar/>

Academic Support (Center for Teaching and Learning, Tutoring, Writing Center, Undergraduate Research):

<http://www.fau.edu/ctl/>

Student Financial Aid, Other Financial Services:

<http://www.fau.edu/fnaid/>

Students with Disabilities: <http://osd.fau.edu/>

Student Life (Housing, Events & Organizations, Wellness, Counseling, Leadership, Military Affairs, etc.):

<http://www.fau.edu/student/SADepts.php>

Tips for Success

- Meet with your advisor at least once a semester.
- Monitor your progress in your courses; “check-in” with your instructors regularly!
- Check your degree audit every semester.
- Stay aware of important deadlines.
- Take advantage of resources FAU has made available to you to help you succeed on your flight.

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