

2 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

Boca Raton Campus: Arts & Humanities Building, AH 213
Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am – 5 pm
Phone: 561-297-3800

Davie Campus: Davie West Building, Room 303F
Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30 am – 5 pm;
Tuesday & Thursday, 9:30 am-6:00pm

Academic Program Information

Office Location: Department Main Office – Boca Raton campus – AH118.
Email Address, Phone Number: art@fau.edu; 561-297-3870.
Additional Program Information: <http://www.fau.edu/vaah/>
Career/Professional Development (Art History) <http://www.fau.edu/cdc/students/majors/arhistory.php>
(Studio Art) <http://www.fau.edu/cdc/students/majors/studioart.php>

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Student Name:	Z:
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).

As you complete your AA, be sure to take:

ARH 2050, ARH 2051, ART 1201C, ART 1203C, ART 1300C, ART 2600C, GRA 2190, and GRA 2191 (equivalent to FAU's GRA 2208)

YEAR 1		
Semester ___: () Summer (X) Fall () Spring		
Courses and Credit Hours	Milestones	Advising Tips
GRA 3112C Typographic Design Lab 2	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.
ARH4724 -- History of Graphic Design (<i>required</i>)		
Elective*		
GRA 4521C Interactive Design Lab 1		
Total		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:		
Semester ___: () Summer () Fall (X) Spring		
Courses and Credit Hours	Milestones	Advising Tips
Portfolio Review	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.
Elective*		
GRA 3193C Visual Design Lab 2		
GRA 4183C Typographic Design Lab 3		
Art History (<i>upper division course</i>)		
Total	15	
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:		
Semester ___: (X) Summer () Fall () Spring		
Courses and Credit Hours	Milestones	Advising Tips
Total		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:		

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YEAR 2		
Semester ___: () Summer (X) Fall () Spring		
Courses and Credit Hours	Milestones	Advising Tips
GRA 4194C Visual Design Lab 3	4	1. Maintain good academic standing. 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	
Elective*	4	
Total	16	
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	
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:		
Semester ___: (X) Summer () Fall () Spring		
Courses and Credit Hours	Milestones	Advising Tips
Total		
Balance/Other Commitments & Activities:		

*Elective:

*Course selection(s) should be strategically chosen for a minor, second major, certificate, internship, and/or study abroad. Consultation with College or major department faculty advisor is encouraged when making these selections. Appropriate courses must be upper-division.

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 (Handbook):

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

Registration, Transcripts, Forms, Student Records:

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<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/finaid/>

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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