

GWC Digital Arts Certificate Programs

The Digital Arts Program at Golden West College offers 3 Digital Arts Certificates in Specialization and 1 Digital Arts Certificate of Achievement. We recommend that you start with the Graphic Design Foundation Certificate and work your way through all the specialization certificates. When you are finished you will be ready to complete your Certificate of Achievement. Listed below are the required courses needed for each certificate.

If you have any questions about the certificates or would like to apply for one please contact the Digital Arts Department by visiting our website at www.gwcdigitalarts.com or by calling 714-892-7711 x51101.

Digital Arts Certificates of Specialization

Graphic Design Foundation

Course #	Units	Description
Semester 1		
DART G101	2	The Business of Art
DART G103	3	Digital 2D Design
DART G135	3	Intro to Adobe Illustrator
Semester 2		
DART G150	3	Beginning Photoshop
DART G115	3	Typography
DART G222	3	Digital Imaging
Total	17	

Graphic Design Advanced Production

Course #	Units	Description
Semester 1		
DART G170	3	Graphic Design Principles
DART G174 or DART G176	3	Intro to Page Layout w/ InDesign or Desktop Publishing w/ QuarkXpress
DART G152	3	Intermediate Photoshop
Semester 2		
DART G120	2	Rendering I
DART G179	3	Prepress
DART G177	3	Computer Graphic Design (Portfolio Class)
Total	17	

Graphic Design Web Design

Course #	Units	Description
Semester 1		
DART G178	3	Intro to Web Page Design w/Dreamweaver
DART G180	3	Intro to Web Animation w/Flash
DART G150 or Elective	3	Beginning Photoshop
Semester 2		
DART G200	3	Advanced Web Design w/Dreamweaver
DART G222 or Elective	3	Digital Imaging
Elective	2	Plus 2 Elective units from list
Total	17	15 Required Units plus 2 Elective units from list

Recommended Electives

Course #	Units	Description
DART G100	3	Intro to Digital Arts
ART G100	3	Intro to Art
ART G109	3	3D Design
ART G116	3	Drawing I
ART G120	3	Rendering I
ART G130	3	Painting I
ART G150	3	Intro to Printmaking
ART G152	3	Silkscreen Printing
ART G175	2	Cartooning
DART G179	3	Prepress
PHOTO G150	3	Photography
PHOTO G160	3	Special Photography

See reverse for the Digital Arts Certificate of Achievement

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These certificates will prepare the student for employment in the field of graphic design illustration. It consists of experiences in lettering, applied design, photography, and reproduction processes. The focus is upon an introduction to advertising thinking, visual communication, and skills in graphic design, illustration, and preparing art for reproduction. It is suggested that courses be taken in the order they are listed.

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Digital Arts Certificate of Achievement

Visual Communication Graphic Design and Production Option

Course #	Units	Description
Year 1		
DART G101	2	The Business of Art
DART G103	3	Digital 2D Design
DART G135	3	Intro to Adobe Illustrator
DART G150	3	Beginning Photoshop
DART G115	3	Typography
Year 2		
DART G120	2	Rendering I
DART G170	3	Graphic Design Principles
DART G174	3	Intro to Page Layout w/ InDesign
DART G177	3	Computer Graphic Design (Portfolio Class)
DART G222	3	Digital Imaging
Elective	3	3 Elective Units from list
Total	31	28 Required Units Plus 3 Elective Units from list

Recommended Electives

Course #	Units	Description
DART G100	3	Intro to Digital Arts
ART G100	3	Intro to Art
ART G109	3	3D Design
ART G116	3	Drawing I
DART G120	2	Rendering I
ART G130	3	Painting I
ART G150	3	Intro to Printmaking
ART G152	3	Silkscreen Printing
ART G175	2	Cartooning
DART G152	3	Intermediate Photoshop
DART G174	3	Intro to Page Layout w/ InDesign
DART G178	3	Intro to Web Page Design w/Dreamweaver
DART G180	3	Intro to Web Animation w/Flash
DART G200	3	Advanced Web Design w/Dreamweaver
DART G179	3	Prepress
PHOTO G150	3	Photography
PHOTO G160	3	Special Photography

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