

2025 – 2026 IVCC Transfer Guide for Graphic Design Majors

For information on Colleges or Universities not listed here, see a counselor. Several private colleges have evaluated IVCC course work for transfer, this includes DePaul, Bradley, Loyola, Monmouth, North Central and Eureka.

UNIVERSITY	OPTIONS AVAILABLE WITHIN DEPARTMENT	MINIMUM GPA REQUIRED	MAJOR COURSES REQUIRED FOR TRANSFER
EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BFA, BA Graphic Design Option 	2.25 overall & 2.75 in art courses	ART 1000, 1002, 1005, 1010, 1012. ART 1007 is a major elective. *(selective admission) portfolio required. Transfer after 1 year recommended. World language: equivalent to 2 years high school ("C" or better) or 2 semesters college in single language. http://www.eiu.edu/~art/undergrad_graphic_design.php 2/25
ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY	Technology Dept. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graphic Communication BS Art Dept. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graphic Design BA, BS, BFA 	2.25 GCT 2.0 GD	<u>Graphic Communication Technology</u> RECOMMENDED: One from: MTH 1006, 1007, or 2001; ECN 2004 or MTH 1008; PSY 1000, CHM 1000 or 1004. One elective from: JRN 1001, ECN 2002 or ACT 1010 <u>Graphic Design</u> RECOMMENDED: ART 1000, 1010 with a "C" or better, ART 1002, ART 1005. ART 1015. Consider early transfer. Portfolio featuring original artwork required for admission. B.A. has World Language (3 college semesters in one language) B.S. has additional Math/Science requirement *AMALL required for graduation. https://illinoisstate.edu/academics/graphic-communications/ http://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/graphic-design/ 2/25
NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	<u>College of Visual and Performing Arts</u> BFA in Art Studio and Design w/ emphasis in Design and Media Arts (Vis Comm)	2.5	ART 1000, 1002, 1005, 1010, 1012, 1015. Portfolio review and interview required. Visual Communications is what NIU deems their Graphic Design major. Transfer applicants for all emphases of the B.F.A. degree in art studio and design (Design and Media Arts, Art Studio), must pass an initial portfolio review with 10-20 pieces. If approved, you will be asked to a personal interview for final admission. Contact the School of Art and Design as early as possible for information. https://www.niu.edu/art/undergraduate-programs/bfa-studio-art/visual-communications.shtml 6/25
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	<u>College of Liberal Arts</u> <u>Art Major (Specializations)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B.F.A. in Industrial Design B.F.A. in Communication Design 	2.0	A.A., A.S. or IAL recommended prior to transfer. ART 1000, 1002, 1005, 1010, 1012, 1015. Portfolio review may be requested for studio courses. Departmental Electives include the following: ART 1007, 1009. https://catalog.siu.edu/programs/ad/ 2/25
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graphic Design (B.Des.) Industrial Design (B.Des.) Design Studies (B.A.) 	2.75	Students should consult <u>College of Architecture, Design, and the Arts</u> section for additional degree requirements. A portfolio is not required for admission to the UIC School of Design. Work completed during the Design Foundation Year will be reviewed in late April in consideration for acceptance to the Bachelor of Design (BDes) in Graphic Design and Design (BDes) in Industrial Design. Design Studies should contact the college to see if a portfolio is required. No more than 60 semester hours of credit may be accepted as transfer work. ART 1000; ART 1010; ENG 1001 and ENG 1002; Understanding the Individual and Society = 1 course 3 credits; Understanding the Past = 1 course (3 credits); Analyzing the Natural World course = 1 course (4 credits); Exploring World Cultures = 1 course (3 credits); Understanding U.S. Society = 1 course (3 credits). 312.996.2611 design@uic.edu design.uic.edu 2/23
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA CHAMPAIGN	<u>College of Fine and Applied Arts</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graphic Design Industrial Design Sustainable Design 	3.0 min. GPA Portfolio Review required for admission.	<u>Required for Admission (all Majors):</u> ENG 1001, 1002; Any Quantitative Reasoning I course; Language Other Than English through 2 nd level. <u>Recommended prior to transfer:</u> Graphic Design – ART 1002, 1012. Industrial Design – ART 1002, 1012. Sustainable Design – ART 1002. Additional courses to satisfy Campus-Wide General Education; Language Other Than English graduation requirement of through the 3 rd level. Transfer after 1 year should be considered. https://faa.illinois.edu/ 2/25
WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BA in Art Graphic Design Emphasis BFA in Art Graphic Design Emphasis 	2.0	BA & BFA: ART 1000, 1010, 1002, 1012, 1005, 1015 BA: Broad Lib Arts degree, ART 1009 & 2002 are approved 3-D studio courses BFA: Portfolio review after ART 1002, 1012, 1005 & 1015 w/ 30 hours completed and a 2.5 GPA in all ART courses. ART 1009 & 2002 are approved 3-D studio courses http://www.wiu.edu/art 5/25