**EASTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY'S BACHELOR OF DESIGN
IN VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN
AND SPOKANE FALLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE - TRANSFER IN GRAPHIC DESIGN PROGRAM**

Articulation Agreement

PURPOSE
This articulation agreement is for students who have earned an AAS/T degree in Graphic Design from Spokane Falls Community College (SFCC) and will complete course work at Eastern Washington University (EWU) to earn a BDes in Visual Communication Design (VCD).

Based on an existing articulation agreement originally established in 2007, this agreement addresses a need to provide students who possess an AAS/T degree in Graphic Design an option for completing a four-year baccalaureate degree. Students with an AAS/T degree in Graphic Design from SFCC would be eligible for enrollment in this program. **With a minimum of 90 credits of upper and lower division coursework, including the Visual Communication Design program and EWU undergraduate requirements,** students may receive a Bachelor of Design in VCD from Eastern Washington University.

The technical content of the Graphic Design program at SFCC has been reviewed previously, is a good match for the program, and the EWU and SFCC faculty are experienced in issues related to advising for student success. **SFCC program faculty will coordinate with EWU faculty to understand EWU General Education and graduation requirements, especially, the 50 credits upper division course work requirement.** With coordinated advising, this agreement meets the needs of SFCC students in an efficient manner. (This is a continuation of an already established agreement; for further information, see previous agreements.)

DURATION
This agreement shall be in force beginning the first day of September 2025. The agreement will be updated as needed/as either SFCC or EWU curriculum changes warrant. See below.

REVIEW
Both SFCC's program in Graphic Design and EWU's program in VCD will designate a minimum of one faculty member per program to oversee articulation currency, accuracy, and efficiency. The appropriate representatives of SFCC and EWU shall review this agreement at the completion of each academic year. Amendments may be required and are allowed to maintain a functional relationship of the articulation agreement.

The articulated agreement will be subject to the following mutually agreed upon stipulations: firstly, if at any time either EWU or SFCC decides to terminate its involvement in this agreement, the appropriate EWU or SFCC departmental representative must provide written notification of this intent at least one year prior to the agreement-ending date (e.g.: written intent to terminate agreement August 30, 2026, provided by terminating institution August 30, 2025). Secondly, SFCC students participating in the articulated agreement will have two years beyond the notice of intent to conclude the SFCC program and make application to Eastern (e.g.: written intent to terminate agreement August 30, 2026, provided by August 30, 2025, giving students until summer 2028 to complete the SFCC program).

SFCC AAS/T in Graphic Design

First Quarter

GRDSN101	Design Process I	4
GRDSN102	Design Technology I	3
GRDSN105	Drawing for Graphic Designers	3
GRDSN156	Illustrator I	2
GRDSN158	PhotoShop I	2
GRDSN181	Web Development I	4
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Second Quarter

GRDSN111	Design Process II	4
GRDSN112	Design Technology II	3
GRDSN151	Typography and Layout	3
GRDSN163	InDesign I	2
MATH& 107	Math in Society	5
GRDSN XXX	Software Elective*	2
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Third Quarter

ENGL& 101	English Compositon I	5
GRDSN109	History of Design	5
GRDSN121	Design Process III	4
GRDSN122	Design Technology III	3
GRDSN182	Web Development II	3
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Fourth Quarter

ENGL& 102	English Composition II	5
GRDSN183	Web Development III	3
GRDSN201	Design Process IV	4
GRDSN202	Design Technology IV	3
GRDSN235	Multimedia I	3
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Fifth Quarter

ART& 100	Art Appreciation	5
ECON& 100	Fundamentals of Economic	5
GRDSN211	Design Process V	4
GRDSN212	Design Technology V	3
GRDSN236	Multimedia II	3
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Sixth Quarter

GRDSN221	Design Process VI	4
GRDSN223	Design Portfolio	3
PHIL& 101	Intro to Philosophy	5
SOC& 101	Intro to Sociology	5
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*Software Elective Choice

GRDSN164	Illustrator II	2
GRDSN164	Photoshop II	2
GRDSN164	InDesign II	2
GRDSN175	After Effects	2

112 credits are required for the AAS/T

Disclaimer: The college cannot guarantee courses will be offered in the quarters indicated. During the period this guide is in circulation, there may be curriculum revisions and program changes. Students are responsible for consulting the appropriate academic unit or adviser for more current and specific information. The information in this guide is subject to change and does not constitute an agreement between the college and the student.

EWU GENERAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students must meet all University application deadlines and admission requirements in order to participate in this agreement. There are no Department of Design admission requirements beyond the EWU general admission requirements. Students must have been awarded the SFCC Graphic Design AAS/T degree before they can qualify for the EWU Bachelor of Design in VCD degree. Evaluation of courses for transfer credit will not be bound by the terms of this agreement for students who choose to pursue a degree other than the BDes in VCD program. The transferability of courses will be determined on a course-by-course basis if the student does not earn an AAS/T in Graphic Design as indicated in this agreement or does not continue at EWU in the BDes in VCD program.

EWU VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

EWU BDES IN VISUAL COMMUNICATION DESIGN

REQUIRED COURSES (50 credits)

DESN 100	Drawing for Communication (5 cr.)	DESN 338	User Experience Design (5 cr.)
DESN 200	Visual Thinking + Making (5 cr.)	DESN 359	Histories of Design (5 cr.)
DESN 216	Digital Foundations (5 cr.)	DESN 463	Community Driven Design (5 cr.)
DESN 243	Typography (5 cr.)	DESN 480	Professional Practice (5 cr.)
DESN 263	Visual Communication Design (5 cr.)	DESN 490	Senior Capstone (5 cr.)

ELECTIVE COURSES (40 credits, choose at least 8 courses)   *see minors

DESN 301	Visual Storytelling (5 cr.)	DESN 366	Production Design (5 cr.)
DESN 305	Social Media Design & Mgmt (5 cr.)	DESN 368	Code + Design 1 5 cr.)
DESN 325	Emergent Design (5 cr.)	DESN 369	Web Development 1 (5 cr.)
DESN 326	Introduction to Animation (5 cr.)	DESN 374	AI + Design *recommended* (5 cr.)
DESN 335	Board Game Design (5 cr.)	DESN 375	Digital Video (5 cr.)
DESN 336	3D Animation (5 cr.)	DESN 378	Code + Design 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 343	Typography 2 (5 cr.)	DESN 379	Web Development 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 345	Digital Game Design (5 cr.)	DESN 384	Digital Sound (5 cr.)
DESN 348	User Experience Design 2 (5 cr.)	DESN 401	Imaginary Worlds (5 cr.)
DESN 350	Digital Photography (5 cr.)	DESN 458	User Experience Design 3 (5 cr.)
DESN 351	Advanced Photography (5 cr.)	DESN 468	Code + Design 3 (5 cr.)
DESN 355	Motion Design (5 cr.)	DESN 469	Web Development 3 (5 cr.)
DESN 360	Zine & Publication Design (5 cr.)	DESN 495	Internship (2-15 cr.)
DESN 365	Motion Design 2 (5 cr.)	DESN 499	Directed Study (2-15 cr.)

TOTAL MAJOR COURSES - (90 credits)
Design Minors

Students majoring in Visual Communication Design are not required to declare a minor, although it is recommended. To receive the minor, students must earn at least a 2.5 GPA in all minor coursework.

ANIMATION & MOTION DESIGN MINOR (45 credits)
DESN 100   Drawing for Communication (5 cr.)
DESN 200   Visual Thinking + Making (5 cr.)
DESN 216   Digital Foundations (5 cr.)
DESN 301   Visual Storytelling (5 cr.)
DESN 326   Introduction to Animation (5 cr.)
DESN 336   3D Animation (5 cr.)
DESN 355   Motion Design (5 cr.)
DESN 365   Motion Design 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 401   Imaginary Worlds (5 cr.)

GAME DESIGN MINOR (30 credits)
DESN 100   Drawing for Communication (5 cr.)
DESN 216   Digital Foundations (5 cr.)
DESN 301   Visual Storytelling (5 cr.)
DESN 326   Introduction to Animation (5 cr.)
DESN 335   Board Game Design (5 cr.)
DESN 345   Digital Game Design (5 cr.)

GRAPHIC DESIGN MINOR (15 credits)
Required:
   DESN 463   Community Driven Design (5 cr.)
Choose 2 from the following:
   DESN 305   Social Media Design & Mgmt (5 cr.)
   DESN 343   Typography 2 (5 cr.)
   DESN 360   Zine & Publication Design (5 cr.)
   DESN 366   Production Design (5 cr.)
   DESN 495   Internship (2-15 cr.)
   DESN 499   Directed Study (2-15 cr.)

INTERACTION DESIGN MINOR (35 credits)
DESN 216   Digital Foundations (5 cr.)
DESN 338   User Experience Design 1 (5 cr.)
DESN 348   User Experience Design 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 368   Code + Design 1 (5 cr.)
DESN 378   Code + Design 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 458   User Experience Design 3 (5 cr.)
DESN 468   Code + Design 3 (5 cr.)

USER EXPERIENCE DESIGN MINOR (15 credits)
DESN 338   User Experience Design 1 (5 cr.)
DESN 348   User Experience Design 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 458   User Experience Design 3 (5 cr.)

WEB DEVELOPMENT MINOR (15 credits)
DESN 369   Web Development 1 (5 cr.)
DESN 379   Web Development 2 (5 cr.)
DESN 469   Web Development 3 (5 cr.)

PHOTOGRAPHY MINOR (25 credits)
DESN 200   Visual Thinking + Making (5 cr.)
   or ART 201   Art & Technology (5 cr.)
ART 305   Photo: Digital Practices (5 cr.)
ART 308   Photography: Black & White (5 cr.)
   or ART 404   Photography: Adv. Practice (5 cr.)
DESN 350   Digital Photography (5 cr.)
DESN 351   Advanced Photography (5 cr.)

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT - MAJOR (VCD) REQUIREMENTS

BDes in VCD

Students pursuing the BDes in VCD degree, who have completed the AAS/T in Graphic Design degree at SFCC, will need to take, as a minimum*, the following DESN credits to complete the BDes in VCD major at EWU:

DESN 338 User Experience Design 1 (5 credits)
DESN 359 Global Histories of Design (5 credits)
DESN 463 Visual Communication Design 3 (5 credits)
DESN 480 Professional Practice (5 credits)
DESN 490 Senior Capstone (5 credits)
DESN electives (25 credits)

*NOTE: The above 50 credits are a minimum. Students must take enough EWU credits to satisfy 180 total credits and 50 upper division credits (300- and 400-level courses) to graduate (see 2-year plan on page 5). Students must also satisfy EWU requirements. See below.

ARTICULATION AGREEMENT - UNIVERSITY (EWU) REQUIREMENTS

General Education Requirements

This program requires an average of 15 credits per quarter to graduate in 2 years. This is based on the following assumptions, students will have satisfied university competencies and proficiencies (see university competencies and proficiencies in the current catalog) prior to enrolling at EWU. If these assumptions are not true, then students will have to complete at least 10 more credits of classes (ENGL 201 and MATH 107 or equivalent) for university proficiencies.

Students will also need to satisfy Breadth Area Core Requirements (BACR) (24-30 credits) and Global Studies (4-5 credits). DESN 359 Global Histories of Design satisfies the EWU Diversity requirement. Some of these classes may be satisfied by coursework at SFCC (i.e., ART&100, PHIL&101, and SOC& 101, see EWU Transfer Guides for additional equivalent courses). Senior Capstone requirements are fulfilled by the major requirements (DESN 490).

Undergraduate Degree Requirements

180 minimum credits, 50 credits must be upper division (300-400 level) and a minimum 45 credits must be taken at EWU. The AAS/T in Graphic Design will satisfy 90 of the required 180 credits. Students who have successfully completed their AAS/T in Graphic Design at SFCC and are accepted to EWU, will enter EWU with 90 credits toward degree completion, **upon receipt of final transcripts from SFCC.**
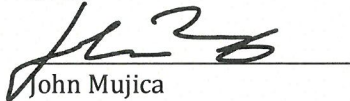
APPENDIX A

Sample Two-Year Plan for BDes in VCD articulation students:

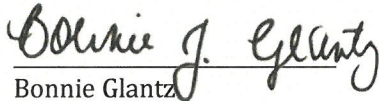| First Quarter	Second Quarter	Third Quarter	
DESN 338 (5) DESN 359 (5) BACR 1 (5) Total (15)	DESN 463 (5) DESN elective (5) BACR 2 (5) Total (15)	DESN 480 (5) DESN elective (5) BACR 3 (5) Total (15)	Upper Div. (30) Total (45)
Fourth Quarter	**Fifth Quarter**	**Sixth Quarter**	
DESN 490 (5) DESN elective (5) Global Studies (5) Total (15)	DESN elective (5) DESN elective (5) Elective (5) Total (15)	DESN elective (5) Elective (5) Elective (5) Total (15)	Upper Div. (25) Total (45)

U.D. (55)
Total (90)

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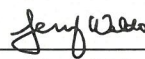
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