

Critical requirements are boldface in shaded areas

Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Upper Division	Min. Grade	Important Notes
Semester One: [15-17 Credit Hours]				
VCD 13000 Introduction to Visual Communication Design I	2		B	See note 1 on page 2
ARTH 22006 Art History I: Ancient and Medieval Art	3			Fulfills LER Fine Arts
ENG 11011 College Writing I	3			Enrollment based on placement tests; fulfills LER Composition
US 10097 Destination Kent State: FYE	1			Not required for transfer students with 25 credits
LER Humanities	3			Should fulfill diversity requirement; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" and "diversity" for course lists
LER Mathematics	3-5			Enrollment based on placement tests
Semester Two: [15-16 Credit Hours]				
VCD 13001 Introduction to Visual Communication Design II	3		B	See note 1 on page 2
VCD 28000 Photography	3			
ARTH 22007 Art History II: Renaissance to Modern Art	3			Fulfills LER Fine Arts
LER Basic Sciences	2-3			Visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" for course list
LER Basic Sciences Laboratory	1			
LER Social Sciences	3			Should fulfill diversity requirement; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" and "diversity" for course lists
Semester Three: [16 Credit Hours]				
JMC 22002 Videography Basics	1			
VCD 22000 Design/Illustration Techniques I	3			
VCD 23001 Introduction to Typography	3			
VCD 28002 Photography II	3			
LER Basic Sciences	3			Should fulfill diversity requirement if not satisfied earlier; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" and "diversity" for course lists
LER Social Sciences	3			
Semester Four: [16 Credit Hours]				
VCD 20000 Basic Computer—Graphic Design and Illustration	3			
VCD 20001 Sophomore Entrance Examination/Portfolio Review – Photo Illustration	1			
VCD 20010 Introduction to Design Research	3			
VCD 38003 Photo Technology	3	■		
ENG 21011 College Writing II	3			Fulfills LER Composition
LER Additional	3			Should fulfill diversity requirement if not satisfied earlier; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search "LER" and "diversity" for course lists
Semester Five: [15 Credit Hours]				
VCD 20003 Intermediate Computer—Graphic Design and Illustration—Various Software Programs	3			
VCD 38004 Advanced Photography	3	■		
FIN 26074 Legal Environment of Business or JUS 26704 Issues in Law and Society or PHIL 21001 Introduction to Ethics	3			JUS 26704 fulfills LER Social Sciences; PHIL 21001 fulfills LER Humanities and global diversity requirements

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ARTH course (upper division)	3	■		
LER Additional	3			Take an LER Additional course if FIN 26074 is taken in this semester
Semester Six: [17 Credit Hours]				
VCD 30008 Junior Portfolio Review–Photo Illustration	1	■		
VCD 38001 Photographics	3	■		
VCD 38009 Internship Seminar - Photo Illustration	1	■		
JMC 22004 Visual Story-Telling	3			
VCD Elective (upper division)	3	■		See note 2 below
VCD 20006 Kinetic and Sequential GD I	3			Should fulfill diversity requirement if not satisfied earlier; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search “LER” and “diversity” for course lists
General Electives (lower or upper division)	3			
Summer III: [3 Credit Hours]				
VCD 40192 Internship II—Graphic Design/Illustration	3	■		
Semester Seven: [15 Credit Hours]				
VCD 40025 Professional Portfolio: Graphic Design/ Illustration	2	■		
VCD 45000 Graphic Design Perspectives	3	■		
VCD 48005 Color Photography	3	■		
VCD 49098 Senior Research Proposal: Graphic Design and Illustration	1	■		
General Electives (lower or upper division)	6			Should fulfill diversity requirement if not satisfied earlier; visit www.kent.edu/catalog and search “LER” and “diversity” for course lists
Semester Eight: [13-19 Credit Hours]				
VCD 43004 Issues for Graphic Design Businesses	3	■		
VCD 48007 Photo Illustration Techniques	3	■		
VCD 49198 Senior Research Paper: Graphic Design/ Illustration	2	■	C	Fulfills writing-intensive course requirement
VCD 49199 Senior Project: Graphic Design/ Illustration	3	■		
General Electives (lower or upper division)	5-8			Number of credits required depends on meeting minimum 128 credit hours and 39 upper-division hours

Graduation Requirements Summary

Total Hours	Upper-Division Hours	Liberal Education Requirements Hours	Diversity Course Global / Domestic	Writing-Intensive	Minimum	
					Major GPA	Overall GPA
128	39	36	LER or General Electives	VCD 49198	2.75	2.50

Note 1: Student must receive minimum average B (3.0) grade calculated between VCD 13000 and 13001 before enrolling in VCD 23001. Students may take VCD 13000 and 13001 a maximum three times until a minimum average B grade is achieved. The highest grade in each course is used to calculate the GPA for the purpose of advancement.

Note 2: VCD elective (3 credit hours) choose from the following:

VCD 38008 Photo-Design Techniques	3	VCD 46001 Web Design and Programming II	3
VCD 40095 Special Topics: Graphic Design/ Illustration	3	VCD 48009 Fashion Photography	3
VCD 42051 Calligraphy and Layout	3	VCD 48092 Practicum in Photography	3

Liberal Education Requirements (LER)

Students must complete a minimum 36 credit hours of Liberal Education Requirements. Colleges or degree programs may specify certain courses to fulfill the requirements. Courses in the students' major field will not count toward the completion of any LER. Honors equivalents shall satisfy the LER. None of the courses on the LER list may be taken with a pass/fail grade.

Diversity Course Requirement

Students must complete a two-course diversity requirement, consisting of one with a domestic focus and one with a global focus. One course must be come from the LER and cannot be in the student's major. The second course may be taken as a second LER; or within a major or minor; or as a general elective; or, with dean's approval, by completing one semester of study in another country.

Writing-Intensive Course Requirement

Students must complete a one-course writing-intensive requirement in their major and earn minimum C (2.00) grade.

Upper-Division Requirement

In general, baccalaureate programs require the successful completion of at least 39 upper-division (numbered 30000 to 49999) credit hours of coursework. Programs in the College of Arts and Sciences require a minimum of 42 hours of upper-division coursework.