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INSTRUCTIONS

This booklet contains course descriptions for the AAS, BBA, BFA and Graduate degree courses offered by Parsons The New School for Design. The course descriptions are arranged by school and program and, in most cases, by year-level order with required courses separated from elective courses. Courses offered by the Department of Art & Design Studies, including the History of Decorative Arts and Design program are also provided in this booklet.

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ADVISING

This booklet should not be used to determine program requirements, instead students should consult with his/her program advisor in order to determine eligibility to enroll in a particular course. Only those courses included in this booklet open to Parsons’ students.

Students should obtain the four-digit “Course Registration Number” (CRN) from the Schedule of Classes available via alvin.newschool.edu>Class Finder. This course description booklet is also available at students.parsons.edu, the continuing students’ resource website.

NOTE

Class offerings and faculty assignments, as listed in this book, are subject to change. Please check ALVIN for updated information prior to the start of classes.
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SCHOOL OF ART & DESIGN HISTORY & THEORY

Required Undergraduate

PLEN 0500 American Cultural Language /TBA
PLEN 1006 Bridge: CRW 1 /TBA
PLAH 1000 Bridge: PWAD / TBA
PLEN 1030 Chase: CRW 1 /TBA
PLAH 1030 & 1000 Chase: PWAD 1 /TBA
PLDS 2503 Chase: Intro Design Studies Rec /TBA
PLEN 1020 Critical Reading & Writing 1 /TBA
PLEN 1021 Critical Reading & Writing 2 /TBA
PLEN 0505 ESL 2 /TBA
PLEN 0507 ESL 3 /TBA
PLEN 0509 ESL 4 /TBA
PLEN 0510 ESL 4: Writing Intensive /TBA
PLAD 3500 Global Issues in Design: Lec /Susan Yelavich
PLAD 3501 Global Issues in Design: Rec /TBA
PLAD 2305 Hist of Mod/Post-Modern Art /Nancy Grove
PLAH 2324 Hist of World Arch 1 Lec /Pamela Kladzyk
PLAH 2325 Hist of World Arch 1 Rec /TBA
PLDS 2190 History of Des: 1850-2000 Lec /Sarah Lichtman
PLDS 2191 History of Des: 1850-2000 Rec /TBA
PLAH 2301 History of Graphic Design /Janet Levy
PLAH 2300 History of Photography /Bill Gaskins
PLAH 2300 History of Photography /Ruth Eisenberg
PLAH 2300 History of Photography / Terry Towery
PLDS 2500 Intro to Design Studies Lec /David Brody
PLDS 2501 Intro to Design Studies Rec /TBA
PLAH 1000 Persp World Art & Design 1 /TBA
PLAH 1001 Persp World Art & Design 2 /TBA

Elective Undergraduate

PLFS 3020 19th Century Dress & Society / Elizabeth Morano
PLAH 2050 African Art /Leon Waller
PLAD 3011 Art and Criticism in 1950s New York / Greg Newton
PLAH 3102 Art and Tourism / Rosemary O’Neill
PLDS 2544 Arts of China, Japan, Korea / Zhijian Qian
PLAH 2030 Baroque Art /Eve Eisenstadt
PLAH 3101 Chinese Art in NYC / Zhijian Qian
PLAH 2080 Contemporary Art /Nancy Grove
PLDS 3140 Design Cultural Interface / Julia Kauste
PLFS 3125 Interpreting Fashion & Identity / Heike Jenss
PLFS 2040 Fashion History: 1850-2000 / Jessica Glasscock
PLFS 3126 Fashioning Power / Anna Akbari
PLFS 3124 Futurism & Fashion / Jessica Glasscock
PLDS 2072 Grotesque, Sublime, Abstract / Arnold Klein
PLAD 2048 History of Illustration / Faculty TBA
PLSD 2345 Images of the City / Laura Handlin
PLAD 3900 Independent Study / Faculty TBA
PLFS 3125 Interpreting Fashion and Identity / Heike Jenss
PLAH 2160 Japanese Art / Eve Eisenstadt
PLAH 2010 Latin American Art / Marisa Lerer
PLAH 2100 Modern Art / John Angeline
PLVS 3456 No Joke: Comedy as Commentary / Julia Dault
PLDS 3195 Personal Values in Design and Art / Arnold Klein
PLAH 2217 Pop: Art & Popular Culture / Nancy Grove
PLSD 3525 Sites of Faith: Des & Religion / John Gendall
PLDS 4055 Sr Sem: Design Fictions / Susan Yelavich
PLDS 4129 Sr Sem: Design and Catastrophe / TBA
PLDS 4155 Sr Sem: Design and Social Responsibility / TBA
PLDS 4050 Sr Sem: Design/Nation Identity / Georgia Traganou
PLAH 4136 Sr Sem: Exhibiting Cultures / Laura Auricchio
PLDS 4035 Sr Sem: Flux-Design for Motion / Pamela Kladzyk
PLDS 4126 Sr Sem: Image Ecologies / Yates McKee
PLDS 4040 Sr Sem: Designing Memory / Emily Miller
PLDS 2072 Sr Sem: Originality in Design and Art / TBA
PLAH 4060 Sr Sem: Politics of Display / Melissa Burtt
PLAH 4040 Sr Sem: Practicing Criticism / Janet Kraynak
PLSD 4080 Sr Sem: Public & Private Space / Jane Necol
PLDS 4872 Sr Sem: Semiotics / Marshall Blonsky
PLVS 4010 Sr Sem: New Waves Cinema / Laurence Hegarty
PLVS 4020 Sr Sem: Packaging Public Health / TBA
PLSD 4060 Sr Sem: Travel, Design, Arch. / Shantel Blakely
PLFS 4045 Sr Sem: Uniform-Fashion / Heike Jenss
PLSD 4125 Sr Sem: Urban Public Space / Joseph Heathcott
PLVS 4030 Sr Sem: Visual Design Studies / TBA
PLVS 3699 Vis Cult and the Radical 60's / Susan Sherman
PLDS 3123 Women: Renaissance to Present / Jane Necol
Graduate

PLAH 5010 Aesthetics /Arnold Klein
PLAH 5102 African American Art /Cheryl Finley
PLEN 5001 ESL: Graduate Advanced/TBA
PLEN 5000 ESL: Graduate Intermediate/TBA
PLAD 5501 Global Issues in Design: Rec /TBA
PLAD 5500 Global Issues in Design: Lec /Susan Yelavich
PLAH 5100 Globalization and Contemp Art /Janet Kraynak
PLVS 5000 NGO's Politics: Visual Culture /Yates McKee
PLAH 5103 Postwar Japanese Art /Ryan Holmberg

Graduate/Decorative Arts Program

PGDE 5163 19th Century French Furniture / TBA
PGDE 5215 20th C Advertising in America /Marilyn Cohen
PGDE 5162 American Dec Arts Seminar / Matthew A. Thurlow
PGDE 5210 Domestic Space Euro Modernism /Faculty TBA
PGDE 5901 Equivalency /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5184 German Decorative Arts /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5106 Historic Houses /Sean Sawyer
PGDE 5145 History of Textiles /Susan Brown
PGDE 5900 Independent Study /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5905 Independent Study 2 /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5902 Independent Study: Thesis /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5903 Internship /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5904 Internship 2 /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5910 IS: MA Exam /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5908 IS: Thesis 1 /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5909 IS: Thesis 2 /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5999 Maintaining Status /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5105 Proseminar /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5183 Rococo to Revolution /Laura Auricchio
PGDE 5500 Special Studies /Sarah Lawrence
PGDE 5100 Survey of Ceramics / Maureen Cassidy-Geiger
PGDE 5100 Survey of Decorative Arts /Lorraine Karafel
PGDE 5128 Survey of Glass /Diane Wright
PGDE 5212 Survey of Silver /Deborah Waters
PGDE 5204 Theorizing Luxury /David Brody
REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

**PLAH 1000 PERSPECTIVES IN WORLD ART & DESIGN 1**
**PLAH 1001 PERSPECTIVES IN WORLD ART & DESIGN 2**
**PLAH 1030 CHASE: PERSPECTIVES IN WORLD ART & DESIGN 1** (open to: Chase Scholars only. Also listed as PLAH 1000)

**PLAH 1000 BRIDGE: PERSPECTIVES IN WORLD ART & DESIGN** (open to: ESL students)
Perspectives in World Art and Design, a two-semester course, will introduce students to the visual arts and design with a focus on cognitive analysis and methodological approaches. The objective is to expose students to the breadth and diversity of the visual arts and design worldwide and to provide a sense of historical context through chronological organization of the material. Readings and are chosen to broaden critical perspectives. Discussion based classes enable students to become more articulate in expressing their understanding of visual material. Research and/or analytic papers and class presentations will be assigned to sharpen written and oral skills.

3 CR

**PLEN 0505 ESL 2** (LOW INTERMEDIATE), 1.5 CR
**PLEN 0507 ESL 3** (INTERMEDIATE), 1.5 CR
**PLEN 0509 ESL 4** (ADVANCED), 3 CR
**PLEN 0510 ESL 4: WRITING INTENSIVE** (ADVANCED with a focus on writing) 3 CR
ESL classes develop students' abilities to perform well in college level courses conducted in English. The English course placement test determines whether non-native English speaking students are required to take ESL courses. The test is given during the week before classes begin in the fall and spring semesters, and it determines which level is appropriate for each student. All ESL classes instruct students in the writing of thesis-driven essays by addressing standard American English grammar, word usage, conventions of academic essays, and the various stages of the writing process. ESL courses also develop students' spoken English and their abilities to comprehend both written and spoken English.

Co-requisite(s): PLEN 0500 (PLEN 0507 ESL 3 only)

**PLEN 0500 AMERICAN CULTURAL LANGUAGE**
American Cultural Language is the companion course to ESL 3. The course familiarizes ESL students with some of the central themes and myths of American culture by examining texts, examples of visual culture, and everyday experiences. It provides students with frameworks for thinking about American culture both within and beyond the classroom. Students develop their abilities to analyze aspects of American culture in class discussions, oral presentations, and thesis-driven essays.

1.5 CR

Co-requisite(s): PLEN 0507 ESL 3

**PLEN 1006 BRIDGE: CRITICAL READING & WRITING 1**
This one-semester course, which covers the same approaches to design as Critical Reading and Writing 1, is for non-native English speaking students who have completed ESL 4. ESL students fulfill the requirement of six credits of English by successfully completing both ESL 4 and Bridge: Critical Reading and Writing.
PLEN 1020 CRITICAL READING & WRITING 1
PLEN 1021 CRITICAL READING & WRITING 2
PLEN 1030 CHASE: CRITICAL READING & WRITING 1 (Open to: Chase Scholars only)

Critical Reading and Writing 1 and Critical Reading and Writing 2 are each one-semester courses that develop students’ abilities to analyze design from multiple perspectives. Close examinations of writings about design help students to sharpen their critical thinking skills as they become familiar with key approaches within design studies. Extensive work on the mechanics of writing and the practice of presenting and defending arguments provides students with the basic skills they need for upper-level courses offered by the School of Art & Design History & Theory. Each semester addresses three frameworks for analyzing design. Critical Reading and Writing 1 engages design in terms of forms and functions, histories and genealogies, and signs and symbols. Critical Reading and Writing 2 approaches design in terms of ethics, production and consumption, and race and gender.

SECOND YEAR

PLDS 2500 INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN STUDIES: LECTURE (0 CR)
PLDS 2501 INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN STUDIES: RECITATION (3 CR)
PLDS 2503 CHASE: INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN STUDIES: RECITATION (3 CR)

This class examines different aspects of design and visuality by looking at larger questions of production, consumption, and use and how these issues become part of a larger discourse about design and visual culture. The design process is intricately tied to visuality, or how things appear and look; thus, the course uses images to provide students with a better understanding of their chosen field of study at Parsons. We will assess the relationship between design and the visual by investigating questions about gender, spatial control, ethics, race, status, and class. We will look at a variety of theoretical, historical, social, and political writings to explore this complicated topic.

Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: David Brody
 Required for: All BFA sophomores, except Fine Arts and Photography.

PLDS 2190 HISTORY OF DESIGN: 1850-2000: LECTURE (0 CR)
PLDS 2191 HISTORY OF DESIGN: 1850-2000: RECITATION (3 CR)

This course introduces significant developments in the history of design in Europe and America from 1850 to 2000. The lectures will examine a variety of object types, including furniture, interiors, graphics, and products, and draw examples from the well known as well as the anonymous. Throughout, design will be situated within its social, cultural, political and economic contexts. Materials, technology, and debates informing the configuration of things—such as Modernism and taste—will be considered, as will the changing role of the designer, and the effects of the shifting ways of life on patterns of production and consumption. In addition, the course will also consider how issues of gender, race, and class affect design. Readings will come from both primary and secondary sources, and new approaches and methods in the study of the history of design will be discussed.

Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Sarah Lichtman
PLAH 2301 HISTORY OF GRAPHIC DESIGN
This survey will examine all of the major designers and modern movements that have significantly contributed to the development of the practice of graphic design. The course will discuss how historical, societal, cultural, and technical conditions changed what designers produced and how they worked. Emphasis will be placed on the Avant-garde, emphasizing such seminal periods and movements as the Arts and Crafts, Russian Constructivism, German Modernism, the Neue Grafik, and the recent proliferation of digital design. The course will include readings from Philip Meggs' "History of Graphic Design" amongst other readings by designers themselves. Requirements include a midterm, final exam and research.

3 CR
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Janet Levy

Required for: Communication Design sophomores, for whom preference is given.

PLAD 2048 HISTORY OF ILLUSTRATION
Illustration Histories will explore the illustration medium through 15 thematic lectures that will address crucial ideas, movements, and personalities in illustration while relating these topics to their social, political, and artistic contexts. These lectures will not attempt a chronological march through time, but will rather trace the boundaries of the medium, creating a sketch of the past and present of illustration. And because this is a history of a vocational medium (and one without a canon), most classes will also feature a guest speaker—usually a practitioner—whose experience or depth of knowledge will complement that week's lecture.

3 CR
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: TBA

Required for: Illustration sophomores, for whom preference is given.

PLAD 2305 HISTORY OF MODERN/POSTMODERN ART
The 20th century changed everything about art: where it was located, who made it, who it was made for, what it was made of, how it was made, and what was and wasn't considered art. This class will explore these changes in terms of ongoing tensions and connections, including those between object and image, abstraction and figuration, material and spiritual, accumulation and appropriation, nature and culture. There will be readings from artists' writings and critical histories that substantiate these ideas, along with class discussions, written projects, and field trips to appropriate venues. We will discuss individual artists and representative art movements from throughout the century, including (among others) Cubism, Futurism, Constructivism, de Stijl, Expressionism (Early, Abstract, and Neo), Pop, Minimal, Conceptual, Land, Body, and Performance.

3 CR
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Nancy Grove
Required for: Fine Arts sophomores, for whom preference is given.

PLAH 2300 HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY
The purpose of this course is to familiarize each student with the major conceptual, ideological, and cultural issues that have impacted and defined the history of photography from 1839 to the present. Each student will be expected to develop their ability to discuss and identify the major developments of this history with understanding and confidence. This course will place emphasis on the socio-political forces, technological developments, and aesthetic innovations that have determined the trends of photographic theory and production.

3 CR
Pathway: Visual Culture Studies
Faculty: Ruth Eisenberg, Terry Towery and Bill Gaskins
Required for: Photography sophomores, for whom preference is given.

PLAH 2324 HISTORY OF WORLD ARCHITECTURE 1: LECTURE (0 CR)
PLAH 2325 HISTORY OF WORLD ARCHITECTURE 1: RECITATION (3 CR)
This lecture course surveys built environments, individual buildings, and landscapes created by early humans. From studies of complex shelters, social spaces and margins by prehistoric people, to the design and structures associated with Greek Hellenism in the West, students learn about the early history of building activity and how certain forms have endured to the present. Early architecture of Africa the Americas and Asia with particular emphasis on wooden forms will be covered. Students learn how the transference of cultural aesthetic influences takes place. Weekly lectures are followed by preceptorials and off-campus site visit.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Pamela Kladzyk
Required for: Architecture and Interior Design sophomores, for whom preference is given.

THIRD YEAR

PLAD 3011 ART AND CRITICISM IN 1950s NEW YORK
Description forthcoming.
Faculty: Greg Newton

PLAD 3500 GLOBAL ISSUES IN DESIGN: LECTURE, 0 CR
PLAD 3501 GLOBAL ISSUES IN DESIGN: RECITATION, 3CR
Impermanence may be the only permanent characteristic of the 21st century. People rarely live in just one place anymore. New urban landscapes are rapidly evolving in response to the tides of migration; at the same time, new geographies are mapped everyday on the internet. We have grown accustomed to buying products made in one place, manufactured in another, and sold everywhere. Goods, services, and images have become their own culture, transforming designers and artists into culture authors. How can we talk about these new cultures? Lectures by anthropologists, historians, and critics will establish a critical framework for case studies drawn from design and visual media. Students will discuss the issues raised, in light of both the course readings and their own studio practices, in their discussion sections. This course is also offered in the spring with an emphasis on Communication.
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies, Criticism
Faculty: Susan Yelavich
Required for: All BFA Juniors.
PLAD 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
For more information on Independent Studies, students should see the Office of Advising.

0.5 TO 3 CR
Open to: By permission only.
Faculty: TBA

ELECTIVE COURSES

ART HISTORY PATHWAY: INTERMEDIATE COURSES

PLAH 2050 AFRICAN ART
This course will focus on three aspects of African art and culture, starting with an introduction to traditional religious and philosophical thought. This will be followed by an overview of ancient kingdoms, specifically, the Congo, Benin, Yoruba and Akan kingdoms. The course concludes with an overview of village communities, including the Dogon, Bamana, Dan and Senufo peoples.
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3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Leon Waller

PLAH 2030 BAROQUE ART
"Baroque" is the designated term for the style of 17th and early 18th century painting, sculpture, architecture, design, and music, while "baroque" describes any artwork whose theme or style is extravagant, ornate, or excessive. The class will explore the Baroque era, which produced artists such as Bernini, Caravaggio, Hals, Rembrandt, Rubens, Vermeer, and Velasquez. Baroque artists pushed art to its limits and beyond, in order to attract attention in a culture of increasing excess. Artists emerged as individual entrepreneurs, while their products became important commodities as capitalism developed. There were new subjects, such as portraits, landscapes, and genre, and there were new approaches to old subjects, including gods, saints, and heroes. The class will also explore the baroque attitude, which is still a major component of art today, by connecting baroque themes and styles to contemporary artworks.
3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Eve Eisenstadt

PLAH 2080 CONTEMPORARY ART
Contemporary art is global, multipurpose, and increasingly integrated with music, film, design and other creative fields; New York City is still, arguably, the best place in the world to explore it. The objective of this class is to promote understanding of issues important to contemporary art, including the tensions between image and object, accumulation and appropriation, entertainment and enlightenment. The class will experience contemporary art through slides, videos, and discussion of texts drawn from current books and journals, but also through visits to galleries and
museums and written assignments and class presentations designed to further observational and analytic abilities and enable class members to connect individual and collective experiences of contemporary art with their own work and ideas.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Nancy Grove

**PLAH 2160 JAPANESE ART**
Historically the Japanese have not made a distinction between fine art and craft. Japanese art and aesthetics are addressed in screens, sculpture, architecture, ceramics, fabric, and scrolls, just to name a few areas of importance. This survey of Japanese art examines the visual and historical elements fundamental in the creation of the Japanese aesthetic. Much of Japanese art is linked to the two dominant religions in Japan, Shinto and Esoteric Buddhism. The course will explore these links through several art forms such as theater costume, temples, shrines, screens, and objects such as those used in the tea ceremony. Various periods will be discussed, including the Jomon, Kofum (Haniwa culture), Nara, Heian, Kamakura, and Edo. The class will also look at contemporary Japanese art. We will also visit exhibitions at museums and galleries, such as the Japan Society.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Eve Eisenstadt

**PLAH 2010 LATIN AMERICAN ART**
This course explores Latin American Twentieth Century artists from a historical point of view, contextualizing them in relationship to their North American and European counterparts. Topics include the birth of modernism, the search for identity, the Diaspora and exile, surrealism, abstract constructivism, conceptualism, political art, and displacement. It will analyze the reception of Latin American Art in the United States as well as the growing presence of Latinos in the U.S., and its representation in cultural institutions.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Marisa Lerer

**PLAH 2100 MODERN ART**
The modern period, while over 100 years old, is still largely confusing and poorly understood by many of the people who have lived during its development. This course will set the foundation for the modern period by beginning with Realism and moving through the 20th century, considering the issues and context that inform the formal strategies being pursued at the time.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: John Angeline

**PLAH 2217 POP: ART & POPULAR CULTURE**
Since the beginning of the 20th century, artists and designers have made use of elements from popular culture in their work. Early examples of such usage include the bits of newspaper attached by Pablo Picasso to his Cubist canvases, the magazine photographs collaged by Hannah Hoch to create unique Dada personages, and the American products and signage that appear in Stuart Davis’s paintings of the 1920s and 1930s. By the 1950s Jasper Johns was painting copies of the American flag, while in the 1960s Andy Warhol and Claes Oldenburg (among others) reproduced every aspect of popular culture, from movie stars to junk food. Since then, artists and designers have increasingly drawn upon sources that include television, films, advertising, and cyberspace for both the style and substance of their work. This class will explore both past and present connections between art, design, and popular culture through readings, discussions, slides, videos, field trips and presentations.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Nancy Grove

ART HISTORY PATHWAY: ADVANCED COURSES

PLAH 3102 ART AND TOURISM
Although one can argue that the relationships between art, visual culture and tourism have a long history, it is in the modern and late modern period that heterogeneous studies in areas such as visual culture, art history, sociology, anthropology and cultural geography have investigated and generated theories about the nature of tourism; the tourist in relationship to visual representation, and the means by which culture is generated from within that context. Tourism, as a relational event, also shapes the construction of space and encounters with implications for and on those who consume place, object, and experience and those who produce culture in tourist locales. This course will examine the change from travel to tourism in the early modern period, the social and cultural construction of mass tourism, and theories of tourism related to consumption, representation, and sites.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Rosemary O’Neill

PLAH 3101 CHINESE ART IN NYC
This course explores Chinese art from the ancient times to the present day in the public and private venues in New York City, the most active center of Chinese art outside China. Taking advantage of the rich resources and activities in New York City, we’ll investigate how Chinese art is represented and/or misrepresented outside its cultural context in the display, preservation and presentation in public museums and private galleries, how Chinese art is traded as commodities and/or exotic objects at auction houses and art fairs, and how New York based artists of Chinese heritage deal with such issues as Chinese art tradition, cultural identity and multiculturalism in and outside their studios. Course meetings consist of classroom lectures and guest talks, museum and gallery visits to The Metropolitan Museum of Art, Asia Society Museum, Brooklyn Museum of Art and Chelsea galleries, art auction and fair previews, and studio visits and demonstrations.
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.

Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Zhijian Qian

ART HISTORY PATHWAY: SENIOR SEMINARS

PLAH 4136 SENIOR SEMINAR: EXHIBITING CULTURES
From the cabinets of curiosity and world’s fairs of the past to the museums, galleries and websites of the present, exhibitions tell stories about the objects on view. Yet exhibitions also tell us about the values, assumptions and goals of the people and cultures who organize them. How do such factors as an exhibition’s contents, design, location and audience shape both stories? Combining close looks at selected exhibitions with readings drawn from art history, anthropology, and cultural criticism, we will examine these questions in relation to a range of cultural institutions, focusing on sites in New York City and on-line. This discussion-based seminar will encourage students to consider their own studio practices in relation to readings and visits conducted for the course. This senior seminar is limited to students in final year of coursework.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Laura Auricchio

PLAH 4060 SENIOR SEMINAR: POLITICS ON DISPLAY
Exhibition design is increasingly instrumental in how art is seen due to the rise of installation-based art practices. Less critically explored are the relationships between curator and designer, artist and designer, and the way in which objects’ meaning is influenced by display. The Politics of Display is divided into two parts. The first part will examine the history of installation design (including Dadaists, Soviet Agitprop, and the Bauhaus) via readings, lectures and discussions. We will also focus upon how design and arts collections are displayed at New York museums. How installation design reflects the curatorial concerns, and how displays are also intellectual arguments will be analyzed. The second part of the course looks at issue-oriented projects. Fall 2008 marks the election season and many arts organizations will feature exhibitions that engage the public via installation strategies that hark back to previous experiments in communication. We will use these examples as a way of broadening our understanding of display technique/design immediacy. The last section of the course is a final project that takes the form of an exhibition proposal. Tasks include developing a thesis, object list, research/development and installation design. Students will be graded on short papers and the final exhibition project proposal.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Art History, Visual Culture Studies, Design Studies
Faculty: Melissa Rachleff Burtt

PLAH 4040 SENIOR SEMINAR: PRACTICING CRITICISM
Much like the art it addresses, criticism is best understood as a form of practice—one that seeks to both assess individual objects and understand their place within a broader context. A second
The distinguishing feature of criticism is its engagement with the art of the present. For this reason, the goal of this class is twofold: its primary interest is the practice of criticism—of learning how to make a critical argument with respect to works of art, exhibitions, or architectural installations. Its second aim is to introduce students to the key issues and debates that currently animate the field of contemporary art. Drawing on New York City’s unparalleled cultural resources, the class will consider work currently on view in galleries and museums. In lieu of traditional papers, writing assignments will take the form of “reviews.”

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Janet Kraynak

DESIGN STUDIES PATHWAY: INTERMEDIATE COURSES

PLDS 2544 ARTS OF CHINA, JAPAN, KOREA
This survey course will examine historical developments of art and visual culture in China, Japan, and Korea from the Neolithic period to the modern time, and their role in the formation of East Asian cultures. We will explore such topics as art and afterlife, art and Buddhism, art and state power, landscape painting and the understanding of nature, art and garden culture, and the East and the West in modern and contemporary art, etc. We will investigate such art forms as ceramics, sculpture, painting and calligraphy, architecture and garden design, as well as performance, installation, and video art and photography. We will discuss important artifacts in light of medium, form and style, historical context, iconographical meaning, and their religious and social functions. Class lectures will be supplemented by two museum visits and one calligraphy workshop.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Zhijian Qian

PLDS 2072 SENIOR SEMINAR: ORIGINALITY IN DESIGN & ART
Description forthcoming.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Theory and Criticism, Design Studies
Faculty: TBA

PLDS 2300 TECHNOLOGY & SOCIAL CHANGE
This course analyzes the impact of technology in society, pointing out the ways in which the development and introduction of new technologies not only transforms their surroundings, but also modifies existing social values and relations, and creates new ones. Technological innovation is seldom ideologically neutral, and many times provokes profound social transformations, often in unintended ways. We also analyze the role of information technologies as a crucial factor in the spread of ideas.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Visual Studies, Design Studies
Faculty: Helidoro San Miguel

PLDS 2543 UNSUSTAINABILITY & CONSUMERISM
What does it mean to consume? To be unsustainable? As consumers and producers, what is our relationship to the environment? How is this relationship changing? These questions, and more, will be explored in this seminar-style class, whose goal is to understand the origins of contemporary capitalist culture through the lenses of sustainability and the environmentalism movement. Anchored in the influential writings that helped to develop and shape the movement in America, the class will look to art, design, architecture, urban planning, film, television, the web, food, and fashion to help explain the increasingly complex cultural ethos of consumption. Texts by Henry David Thoreau, John Muir, Rachel Carson, Frederick Law Olmsted, Jane Jacobs, Wendell Berry, Lewis Hyde, R. Crumb, Rebecca Solnit, Thorstein Veblen, Jean Baudrillard, and more will serve as the infrastructure on which our exploration will be built.3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Julia Dault

DESIGN STUDIES PATHWAY: ADVANCED COURSES

PLDS 3140 DESIGN CULTURAL INTERFACE
In this class we will look at the relationship between design and culture, i.e. the role of design both as an expression of culture and also as a means of shaping culture through its influence on our everyday practices. As a person positioned between the user and the production process, the designer takes on the role of a mediator whose task it is to create the best possible interface by bringing together the wisdom of tradition and the excitement of innovation. The role of design and designers as agents/carriers of social change will be studied both in terms of different time periods and different cultures. Significant attention will be paid to the role of design in our contemporary internationalizing culture. The aim of the class is to deepen our understanding of the connections between design and culture, as well as those between the designer and the cultural context in which he or she operates.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Julia Kauste

PLDS 3195 PERSONAL VALUES IN DESIGN & ART
“A course treating issues of art and design practice in relation to the most fundamental values.” Designers and artists are often asked to justify their practice in terms of values such as social awareness and sustainability, but the contents of these values are often left undefined and their grounds unexamined. But both the contents and grounds of values have been differently determined by philosophers, for it makes all the difference whether ultimate goods are sought in the eternal verities of religions, the contingent circumstances of history, the behavior of material bodies, or the structure of human nature. In this course we examine several fundamental theories of value, with special attention to individual conduct, the status of pleasure, and the structure of argument.
3 CR
**Pre-requisite(s):** At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.

**Open to:** Juniors and Seniors only.

**Pathway:** Design Studies, Theory and Criticism

**Faculty:** Arnold Klein

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**PLDS 3123 US-SOUTH KOREA: CONTEMPORARY ART & DESIGN**

This course will begin with the post-war era and its artistic developments up to the present time. The end of the Korean War in 1953 signaled a period of artistic chaos with two tendencies to be seen, one pro and one against Western influence. But, by the late fifties modern artists abounded in South Korea. A number of movements similar to the West -- Dada, Post-Painterly Abstraction, Op Art -- ensued. Many artists began to travel to Europe and the United States for their education, and the cross-pollination process wrought new changes in the Korean aesthetic. Korean art (sculpture, installation, new media, film) and design (fashion, furniture, and jewelry) are now a significant presence in the international arena, and in New York City, the host of a large number of Korean artists. This course will cover Korean art and design, and Korean-American designers and artists. Students will have the opportunity to make studio visits and attend exhibitions at the Tenri Cultural Institute, The Asian Society, The Kaikodo Gallery, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Korea Gallery, and The Kang Collection.

3 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.

**Open to:** Juniors and Seniors only.

**Pathway:** Design Studies

**Faculty:** Thalia Vrachopoulos

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**PLDS 3123 WOMEN: RENAISSANCE TO THE PRESENT**

Not for women only, this selective survey studies women painters, sculptors and photographers working in the past 500 years. It will include a look at design movements of the modern period as well. By studying the artists’ work and writings, including personal letters and statements, we will learn about their theories and practices, to know them as women and artists, in some cases only recently added to the “canons” of art history and design. What unique contributions have women artists made to our visual culture? What is their relationship to the prevailing political, cultural and artistic contexts? How do they image men and themselves? How do issues of gender, race and class impact on representation and identity? Time will be given to the lively and varied developments world-wide in women’s art of the last 30 years engendered by the Women’s Movement as well as contemporary activities. Field trips are planned. Overall, students will gain a knowledge of the history of women artists, as well as developing skills in critical thinking, analysis and writing.

3 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.

**Open to:** Juniors and Seniors only.

**Pathway:** Design Studies

**Faculty:** Jane Necol

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**DESIGN STUDIES PATHWAY: SENIOR SEMINARS**

**PLDS 4050 SENIOR SEMINAR: DESIGN & NATIONAL IDENTITY**
Taking the Olympic Games, World Expositions and other international/global events as its starting point, the class will explore how design is utilized as a means of reinforcing or configuring national identities since mid-19th century, discussing individual and collective design approaches in parallel with issues of nationalism, national representation, group identity and stereotyping.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Georgia Traganou

PLDS 4055 SENIOR SEMINAR: DESIGN FICTIONS
Selections from poetry, fiction, and non-fiction will be analyzed to offer new perspectives on the ways in which design takes on meaning after it leaves the studio and to consider how this literature might inform design in the studio. For example, Orhan Pamuk’s mystery about 16th-century Turkish illustrators, My Name is Red, offers insight into the values of realism and abstraction; Charles D’Ambrosia’s magazine essay on a “Russian Orphanage” speaks to the power of personal interiors. Excerpts from these and other works by writers such as Shirley Hazzard, Nicholson Baker, and Dave Hickey will be read, discussed, and used as models for essays that students will write about their own work. Readings will be chosen across disciplines, including architecture, fashion, interiors, communications, product design, and landscape design.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies, Theory and Criticism
Faculty: Susan Yelavich

PLDS 4035 SENIOR SEMINAR: FLUX-DESIGN FOR MOTION
Flux – Designing for Motion, is a course that presents human movement as a ‘design driver’ for specific environmental settings. Key motivating factors, personalities and environments drive and inspire the creation of form. War/defense drives the design of a particular tool, form of clothing, or building. Emotion, caused by the death of a loved one, influences particular design formation as a tangible expression of grief. Historical forms from diverse cultures will be used to learn patterns and motivation. Fashion, wall-treatments, lighting, makeup and hair styling, furniture, and architecture will be analyzed relative to domestic motion, economic motion, ritual or religious motion, travel motion, and rural, suburban, and urban motion. The catwalk and American exhibitionism will be studied relative to the Grand Entrance of Native American powwows. Stylin’ on urban streets, acts of meditation and prayer in holy spaces, travel through airport hubs, and shopping in particular markets or on-line will be studied as they inspire design.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Pamela Kladzyk

PLDS 4126 SENIOR SEMINAR: IMAGE ECOCLOGIES SEEING SUSTAINABILITY
This interdisciplinary course will interrogate the relation of the artistic, architectural, and design fields to the contested ecological paradigm of sustainability, defined in 1987 by the United Nations as “development that meets the needs of present generations without jeopardizing the ability of future generations to meet their own." We will begin with a genealogy of the concepts of
“nature” and “environment,” and then examine the emergence of the modern environmentalist movement in the Unites States and globally with a special emphasis on the visual cultures of the latter, including those pertaining to the environmental justice movement spearheaded by poor people and people of color. With this philosophical and historical backdrop, we will then examine phenomena such as land art, sustainable architecture, “green” product design, and environmentalist tactical media. Authors to be considered include Raymond Williams, Bruno Latour, Vandana Shiva, Ian McHarg, William McDonough, Robert Smithson, Van Jones, and Al Gore.

**3 CR**

**Open to:** Seniors only.

**Pathway:** Design Studies

**Faculty:** Yates McKee

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**PLDS 4040 SENIOR SEMINAR: DESIGNING MEMORY**

This seminar explores the shifting meanings of design against the cultural-historical and theoretical backdrop of collective memory studies. We will examine the intersection of collective memory, material and visual culture through a wide range of topics including the numerous arenas for the display of objects, consumption, preservation and commemoration, “invented traditions” and national identity. In addition, the early uses of photography will be considered in order to better understand how the very depiction and/or imaging of things, or the very spectacle of seeing things, also converged with the project of making things. One objective of this seminar is to underscore the various prisms through which the study of design may be investigated. Students will be encouraged to think creatively and critically about both objects and ideas.

**3 CR**

**Open to:** Seniors only.

**Pathway:** Design Studies

**Faculty:** Emily Miller

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**PLDS 4129 SR SEMINAR: DESIGN AND CATASTROPHE**

This seminar will examine how design and the arts engage the catastrophic imagination. We will explore practices and projects responding to recent catastrophic events, but we will also explore catastrophe as mindset and cultural dominant circa the 1970s to the present. Our historical inquiry may encompass late modernist architecture and its representations, Warhol, the relationship between technology and death, style and terror (“giallo fever”) in films of the ‘70s and ‘80s, and fashion as a guerrilla stance (i.e. Comme des Garçons).

**3 CR**

**Open to:** Seniors only.

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**PLDS 4155 SR SEMINAR: DESIGN AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Description forthcoming.

**3 CR**

**Open to:** Seniors only.

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**PLDS 4872 SENIOR SEMINAR: SEMIOTICS**

After four introductory sessions exposing the seminar to what the French writer Roland Barthes called the semiological adventure (of the 1960s and ‘70s), the course becomes an applied semiotics, addressing Americans for whom European theory is but a catalyst for action, for self-
insertion into the U.S. marketplace. These first lessons focus on the major names of the
movement, Barthes, Lacan, Kristeva, Foucault, Derrida, Eco et al. The introduction will include
sample decodings, from the founders of the discourse as well as from the instructor, who will
focus on contemporary American examples and topics. Starting with the fifth session the seminar
applies the theory to advertising (TV and radio), film, fashion, text, decorative arts and other
market discourses. The pedagogic tools include fashion documentaries (Wender's “Notebook on
Cities and Clothes”, Scorcese’s “Made in Milan”, etc.), radio and TV Reports' video compilations
of top current TV spots, engagement with the Seventh Avenue fashion department, a visit to the
Cooper-Hewitt collection of decorative works, as well as in-seminar film and news screenings,
lecture and above all, classroom discussion. In short, there will be a balance between theory and
contemporary practice.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies, Theory and Criticism
Faculty: Marshall Blonsky

FASHION STUDIES PATHWAY: INTERMEDIATE COURSES

PLFS 2040 FASHION HISTORY: 1850-2000
This course examines fashion from 1850 to the present and its capacity as both a reflection of,
and an influence on, the cultural conditions of its respective time period. In its entirety, students
should gain a greater perspective on the historical, social, economic, and industrial precursors
and contexts to contemporary fashion's design, consumption, production, image, tastes, and
trends. This seminar course is supplemented by field trips and guest speakers. Course work will
be comprised of group and independent research, written papers, and oral presentations.

3 CR
Open to: Sophomores and Juniors only.
Pathway: Fashion Studies
Faculty: Jessica Glasscock

FASHION STUDIES PATHWAY: ADVANCED COURSES

PLFS 3020 19TH CENTURY DRESS & SOCIETY
The 19th Century is a fascinating one for the development of modern ideas and practices
concerning appearance, and will provide background for an interdisciplinary approach to the
study of appearance and society. Our focus will be particularly on the Second Empire (1850-
1870), and the range of topics will include the dandy, the sobriety of male dress, the crinoline
and the corset, the rise of the department store, ready-to wear and couture, the developing city,
and class structure. Readings will include novels by Balzac and Zola, Baudelaire’s The Painter of
Modern Life, Hollander’s Sex and Suits, Harvey’s Men in Black, and Perrot’s Fashioning the
Bourgeoisie. The format of the class will be slide lectures, student presentations and class
discussions based on projects, lectures and readings

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Fashion Studies, Design Studies
Faculty: Elizabeth Morano
PLFS 3125 INTERPRETING FASHION & IDENTITY
In parallel to the growing significance of fashion its study has widely expanded, turning into a multi-facetted discipline that goes „to the heart of understanding the shaping of self and identity within a global framework“ (Maynard 2004). The seminar introduces students to the multidisciplinary field of fashion theory and methodology, combining readings of fashion classics such as Simmel and Veblen with the discussion of more trans-disciplinary scholarship on fashion. The emphasis will be on key-concepts and paradigms that underpin the development of fashion studies and research on fashion and identity, such as body and gender, ethnicity, age, sub/culture and distinction, consumption/ production, media and globalization processes. By approaching fashion from these angles in parallel to practicing own empirical research, students will be able to engage actively and reflect critically on fashion studies.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Fashion Studies
Faculty: Heike Jenss

PLFS 3126 FASHIONING POWER

Readings include Georg Simmel, Hannah Arendt, Zygmunt Bauman, Erving Goffman, Thorstein Veblen, Guy Debord, Jean Baudrillard, John Berger, Roland Barthes, Gilles Lipovetsky, Richard Sennett, Pierre Bourdieu, amongst others. Students will conduct their own sociological field research (via interviews, participant observation, photo essays, video, etc.) on a topic that uses sociology through fashion to contribute to the emerging field of visual sociology.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies, Fashion Studies
Faculty: Anna Akbari

PLFS 3124 FUTURISM & FASHION
The future is not a time but a place. Futurism in fashion necessarily posits a potential environment in which dress can mediate between body and imagined space. This class will attempt to create a “map” of that place, with locations ranging from Utopia to Dystopia to The Metropolis. Utopia, as explored by the painters of the late 19th century, transforms 20th century dress. Their Utopia then meets with The Metropolis in the fashion theories of early twentieth century avant-garde artists and the dream of The Metropolis is fully realized in the work of mid-20th century functionalist fashion designers. 1960s designers reimagine pure Utopic dress through the dream of space travel, but by the 1970s, a vision of Dystopia emerges and articulates a hostile future that has shaped fashion toward the end of the twentieth century. Far from an isolated impulse, futurism is central to the practice of fashion.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Fashion Studies
Faculty: Jessica Glasscock

FASHION STUDIES PATHWAY: SENIOR SEMINARS

PLFS 4045 SENIOR SEMINAR: UNIFORM-FASHION
What is the function of uniforms and what is their appeal and influence on fashion -usually perceived as the opposite of uniformity? As we can see on the examples of many fashion classics such as the t-shirt, flight jacket or trench coat with their military roots, uniforms and fashion are not separated spheres of clothing but in close interrelation. Even the mass production of readymade dress can be traced back to the production of standardized uniforms. In this class students will explore diverse examples of uniforms, such as the flight attendants corporate wear, military garments, sportswear, uniforms in pop culture as well as the gradual uniformity that comes with the wearing of the suit, particular brands or the adoption of specific dress codes and styles. We will discuss the various context specific functions and meanings of uniforms/ uniformity in pronouncing and manifesting social/ cultural relationships between individuals and groups and examine their visual impact and material exchange with fashion.
3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Fashion Studies, Design Studies
Faculty: Heike Jenss

SPATIAL DESIGN STUDIES PATHWAY: ADVANCED COURSES

PLSD 3525 SITES OF FAITH: DESIGN & RELIGION
“Sites of Faith” takes as its point of departure the fact that faith is an increasingly potent force, demonstrated by demographic expansion across most religious traditions, and by its decisive participation in current political and cultural conditions across the world. The course will investigate the religious experience through two frames: objects and space. Tracing their historical influence, we will explore how these acts of design, intrinsic to religion, reflect and shape our current understanding of the sacred. Students will analyze sites of contemporary importance, which continue, on one hand, to inspire religious devotion, and, on the other, to violently cleave groups that hold divergent beliefs. Along the way, we will also consider the changing role of objects used in religious practice. Patently interdisciplinary, the course draws from architecture, art, design and cultural studies, and is meant to appeal to students across the curriculum.
3 CR
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Spatial Design Studies
Faculty: John Gendall

PLSD 3526 URBAN BRANDING
Urban Branding treats the civic environment as a thick, pop-cultural text made up of sanctioned and non-sanctioned "branded" images: advertising, poster art, stickers, graffiti, new media, and signage. Municipalities see branding as means to leverage the cultural value of a city, while individual artists and designers strategically use branding language to activate a type of "metaspace" within the urban environment. This course focuses on tactics used to engage viewers
in urban space, and how these methods create a brand identity. The class will look at contemporary emerging artists such as Bansky, Graffiti Research Lab, Trokia, and Shepard Fairey in comparison to the work of their predecessors, e.g. Barbara Kruger, Robbie Conal, Ed Ruscha, and the Guerrilla Girls, as well as the Pop Art that opened up these forms. Observations of urban landscapes will be studied in relationship to the Dadaist and the Situationist tactics and ideas of the city.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): At least one Intermediate (2000-level) course in Art & Design Studies.
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Spatial Design Studies
Faculty: Mimi Zeiger

SPATIAL DESIGN STUDIES PATHWAY: SENIOR SEMINARS

PLSD 4080 SENIOR SEMINAR: PUBLIC & PRIVATE SPACE
In an exploration of what an artist or designer's responsibility is to society and to him/herself, we attempt to articulate how public and private meaning are created and valued as these "social spaces" affect us all. To that end, we will examine several areas of global visual culture with the emphasis on contemporary painting and sculpture, and monuments and public art. We will also study the limits of personal expression with an emphasis on the body, drawing examples from performative art, photography and popular culture. In other words, visual art will be our lens through which we study and discuss themes such as collective memory, the urban and global environment, politics, race and gender. Students are invited to develop topics of their own interest in relation to the concepts of the course and their studio work for their papers and presentations. Field trips are planned. Overall we will enhance our skills in critical thinking, analysis and writing while gaining insights into contemporary art and its cultural underpinnings.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Art and Design History, Design Studies
Faculty: Jane Necol

PLSD 4060 SENIOR SEMINAR: TRAVEL, DESIGN, ARCHITECTURE
The course is based on the perception of design as an enterprise that is affected by cultural exchange and mobility, rather than as one that is rooted in a specific place and culture. The aim of this course is twofold: on one hand it will examine cases of designers/architects-as-travelers from the modern period to the present (from the era of colonialism and internationalism to that of post-colonialism and globalization); on the other it will examine how material products related with traveling, such as graphically or industrially manufactured objects (maps, guidebooks, travel gadgets), traffic networks (roads, aviation) and buildings (hotels, railway stations, tourist attractions), reveal cross-cultural encounters and consequent epistemological shifts. Under the term 'travel' we will include various modes of mobility, such as exploration, tourism, colonization, immigration, pilgrimage, Diaspora, exile, and so on.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Shantel Blakely
PLSD 4125 SENIOR SEMINAR: URBAN PUBLIC SPACE
Students examine the constitution of 'public space' in the American city, from sidewalks and squares to malls, airports, beaches, and parks. The instructor lays the groundwork with a core of readings and site visits that explore key themes, including: theories of the public sphere; critiques of normative public formations and behaviors; the intertwined histories of urban space, public life, and civic culture in the U.S.; shifting boundaries of public and private; and methodological approaches to public space research. Following these core themes, students work collaboratively to develop a reading list and research tasks suitable to the studio project. Teams of students then lead weekly discussions of specific topics related to the functions, uses, morphologies, and experiences of small urban sites. Students in this course will be asked to simultaneously register for "(Re)Imagining Public Space."

Co-Requisite: PUIC 3200 -- (Re)Imagining Public Space, taught by Miodrag Mitrasinovic
3 CR
Open to: Seniors only. 10 students from Lang and 10 students from Parsons by permission only.
Pathway: Spatial Design Studies
Faculty: Joseph Heathcott

VISUAL CULTURE STUDIES PATHWAY: ADVANCED COURSES

PLVS 3127 SYNAESTHETIC PERSPECTIVES IN ART AND DESIGN
Synaesthesia, broadly defined as the cross-wiring of sensory perceptions or a synthesis of the arts, will be the lens through which students will be encouraged to explore the interconnectedness among artistic practices. This seminar will consider, explore, and challenge ideas of synaesthesia in weekly class lectures and discussions. Work reviewed in the course will include selections from Neo-Concrete Art, Kinetic Art, Op-Art, Conceptual Art, Fluxus, Light and Space Art, and New Media Art, among others. Lectures and readings will focus on models of perception, relational aesthetics, and phenomenological thought as they relate to the synaesthetic inquiry. Assignments will include one individual research paper, selected readings, group discussions, team-based research presentations, and a series of cumulative individual digital media projects. Students will develop the ability to interpret, describe, and implement synaesthetic relationships in research and art/design projects. Guest speakers whose works are influenced by ideas of synaesthesia will be invited to present their work to the class.
3 CR
Open to: Juniors and Seniors only.
Pathway: Visual Culture Studies, Design Studies
Faculty: Ernesto Klar

PLVS 3456 NO JOKE: COMEDY AS COMMENTARY
What, exactly, is funny? This interdisciplinary class explores humor and its theoretical forms such as rhetoric, irony, satire, the modest proposal, fallacy, facetiousness, and more, in an effort to understand humor's historical precedents and its place in today's increasingly globalized world. What can funny do and say? Class readings, screenings, and discussions include writers, psychoanalysts, cultural theorists, comedians, artists, filmmakers, and political pundits, everyone from Jonathan Swift, Freud, Bergson, and the Marx Brothers to Andy Warhol, Richard Prince, Sarah Silverman, Jenny Holzer, Stephen Colbert, and more. Inherent in the idea of "the joke" is the notion of reception, performativity, occasional sarcasm, and, often, goofiness, all of which will be included in our uproarious investigation.
PLVS 3699 VISUAL CULTURE AND THE RADICAL 60S
By the late 1960s, the term "cultural revolution" had become commonly used in the United States by artists and writers who consciously defined themselves as agents of artistic and social change - artists who lived their art, pronouncing "ivory tower formalism" and architecture of the past, decreeing that issues of "art and politics" should be fought out in the classroom of the streets. In this class we will examine how the visual permeated every aspect of the revolutionary art of the Sixties from its early years with "underground" filmmakers like Ron Rice and Harry Smith, to the merging of dance and visual art at the Judson Church with Yvonne Rainer and Robert Morris, to the "9 evenings of Art and Engineering," the poets' theater, Fluxus, the birth of off-off Broadway theater, the happenings of Carolee Scheeman, poetry itself, and continuing into the political "underground" of the middle and late Sixties with its posters and 8mm documentaries, photojournalism, and alternative magazines and newspapers. Starting with the Civil Rights Movement and emerging arts movements of the '50s, we will explore this "renaissance" in its historical and social context, considering along the way the Beats, the Hippie, New Left, Anti-War and Student Movements, and the struggles for national liberation (third world, women's, gay)

PLVS 4010 SENIOR SEMINAR: NEW WAVES CINEMA
In this seminar we shall examine cinema of the 20th Century through both the films and the critical/theoretical responses to those films, many of which were produced by the filmmakers themselves. Beginning with a brief review of the proto-cinematic traditions that shaped early cinema and entrenched the medium in entertainment and narrative conventions, we will then examine the evolution of that trajectory and the persistent pull against the grain by other film traditions. We will view and read about cinema from the "silent era", the Soviet cinema, Surrealist cinema, German Expressionist cinema, Classical Hollywood cinema, early American independents, the European New Waves, and the "revitalized" American cinema of the 1970's and 1980's. Screenings will include Melies, Lumiere, Edison, Griffith, Eisenstein, Vertov, Bunuel, Murnau, Pergman, Deren, Godard, Pasolini, Brakhage, Scorsese, etc. Readings will include Thomas Gunn, S.M. Eisenstein, Dziga Vertov, Andre Bazin, J.L. Godard, Laura Mulvey, Kaja Silverman, etc.

PLVS 4020 SENIOR SEMINAR: PACKAGING PUBLIC HEALTH
Designers are viewed as intermediaries between production and consumption. What happens to the designer’s role when the goal is a change in awareness or behavior rather than a commodity purchase? This course examines the challenge of and tools used for creating change through design by looking at both written theory and practical examples. Ideas introduced in earlier courses such as target audience demographics, aspiration, identity, and narrative myths will take on new meaning in the framework of public service. We will begin by discussing historic and contemporary national public health messages and then move towards a focus on campaigns in New York. In addition to the course readings students will document, map and critique examples around the city, and work on a video project with the local organization Public Health Solutions.

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Visual Studies
Faculty: TBA

**PLVS 4030 SENIOR SEMINAR: VISUAL DESIGN STUDIES**

This seminar will examine recent and emerging discourses in design studies and visual culture. Our goals will be to interrogate the relationship between design and progressive politics today, and to locate the social and cultural meanings of contemporary criticism and design practices. Topics may include: the revival of mid-century modernism and the megastructure, the green revolution, the shelter magazine and the new aesthetics of luxury, and “militant modernism.”

3 CR
Open to: Seniors only.
Pathway: Visual Studies
Faculty: TBA
GRADUATE COURSES

PLEN 5000 ESL: GRADUATE INTERMEDIATE, 0 CR
PLEN 5001 ESL: GRADUATE ADVANCED, 0 CR
Students concentrate on the development of a critical vocabulary through the study of written, visual, and material texts. Analytical and writing skills are developed. Based on test placement or faculty recommendation, a student may be required to take this course.
Open to: graduate students only.

ELECTIVE COURSES

PLAH 5010 AESTHETICS
Philosophers have differed about the nature of Art for it makes all the difference whether Art is conceived of in terms of pleasure, spirit, language, or process. In this course we examine four major theories of art with special attention to the function of Art, the context of creation, and the structure of argument.
3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only. Seniors by permission only.
Pathway: Art History, Theory and Criticism
Faculty: Arnold Klein

PLAH 5102 AFRICAN AMERICAN ART
This course presents a survey of the different forms of visual arts production by African Americans from 1619 to the present. The course begins with an overview of African art and the experiences of the Middle Passage and slavery in relation to African American traditions in the decorative arts (furniture, ironwork, quilt-making, basketry), architecture and archeology. The core of the course is centered in the 20th century and today with an examination of the fine arts of painting and sculpture as well as photography, performance, film and video. Special attention to rich periods of artistic production will be studied, including the Harlem Renaissance and the Black Arts Movement. Slides and films will be used extensively to illustrate topics discussed in addition to original examples of African American art and artifacts in area museums.
Open to Seniors with permission. 3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only. Seniors by permission only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Cheryl Finley

PLAD 5500 GLOBAL ISSUES IN DESIGN & VISUAL CULTURE: LECTURE, 0 CR
PLAD 5501 GLOBAL ISSUES IN DESIGN & VISUAL CULTURE: RECITATION, 3 CR
Impermanence may be the only permanent characteristic of the 21st century. People rarely live in just one place anymore. New urban landscapes are rapidly evolving in response to the tides of migration; at the same time, new geographies are mapped everyday on the internet. We have grown accustomed to buying products made in one place, manufactured in another, and sold everywhere. Goods, services, and images have become their own culture, transforming designers and artists into culture authors. How can we talk about these new cultures? Lectures by anthropologists, historians, and critics will establish a critical framework for case studies drawn from design and visual media. Students will discuss the issues raised, in light of both the course
readings and their own studio practices, in their discussion sections. This course is also offered in
the spring with an emphasis on Communication.

Open to: Graduate students only.
Pathway: Design Studies
Faculty: Susan Yelavich

PLAH 5100 GLOBALIZATION AND CONTEMPORARY ART

“Globalism” has become a dominant topic of discussion in contemporary art: from exhibitions to
the curator, institutions have been “globalized” and practices are no longer viewed through the
lens of limited nationalist or cultural traditions. The subject of globalism, however, is as fraught as
it is ubiquitous. On the one hand, it represents inclusiveness, in which the parameters of culture
are expanded outside of a Eurocentric perspective. On the other hand, it is viewed in a far less
benign light, as the larger processes of globalization-political, economic, social and technological
result in new forms of imperialism, or the destruction of the local and the specific, or an
expansion of multinational capital. This course examines this dualism, approaching the
globalism/globalization question in terms of a series of related, sometimes conflicting, models,
theories, and historical events. Readings are broad in scope and interdisciplinary in nature, drawn
from the fields of economics, political science, philosophy and literary studies, among others.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only. Seniors by permission only.
Pathway: Art History
Faculty: Janet Kraynak

PLVS 5000 NGOs’ POLITICS: VISUAL CULTURE

This course will bring the theoretical insights of visual culture into dialogue with Michel Foucault’s
notion of "nongovernmental politics" in order to examine how contemporary art, architecture, and
graphic design might play an experimental, productive, and responsible role in the staging of
activist claims. We will begin by considering the visual repertoires of earlier forms of activism
including the Civil Rights movement and the early phases of Greenpeace and ACT-UP, before
moving on to examine these same problems in contemporary activism. The key concern for the
class, however, will be to examine the work of those individuals and groups engaged in what has
been called "para-aesthetic" practices in concert or parallel with professional activist
organizations. Among such artists and designers would be included Trevor Paglen, the Yes Men,
Women on Waves, Teddy Cruz, Eyal Weizman, and Krzysztof Wodiczko's Interrogative Design
Group.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only. Seniors by permission only.
Pathway: Visual Studies
Faculty: Yates McKee

PLAH 5103 POSTWAR JAPANESE ART

This course will offer a survey of Japanese artistic production since 1945. Phenomena to be
explored include the relationships between painting and performance in the work of the Gutai, the
street performances and happenings of the 1960s, the rise of manga, experimental film and
video, and the reemergence of neo-traditional practices in the 1990s.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only. Seniors by permission only.
Pathway: Art History, Criticism
Faculty: Ryan Holmberg
HISTORY OF DECORATIVE ARTS PROGRAM

PGDE 5163 19TH CENTURY FRENCH FURNITURE
This seminar explores interactions among fashion, interior design, furnishings, and the decorative arts from the French Revolution to Art Nouveau. The visual culture of the long nineteenth century underwent tremendous changes, influenced by such factors as the rise of the middle classes, the transformations wrought by the Industrial Revolution, and the emergence of department stores. The course moves from the rooms and furniture created for Napoleon’s court through the emergence of the flaneur in Haussmann’s Paris, and concludes with the objects of Art Nouveau.
3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.
Faculty: TBA

PGDE 5183 ROCOCO TO REVOLUTION
The visual arts, like society more broadly, underwent tremendous upheavals in eighteenth-century France. Focusing on the reigns of Louis XV and Louis XVI, this course examines a broad range of visual culture – furniture, ceramics, metalwork, wallcovering, painting, costume, interiors – in historical and social context. Designed for students already familiar with the broad stylistic changes of the period, the course addresses issues including patronage and politics, institutional contexts, cross-cultural exchanges, and interactions among the arts. Readings include primary sources (available in translation) as well as recent and classic scholarship. Whenever possible, objects from the Cooper-Hewitt’s collection will serve as the focus of study. An ability to read French will be helpful but is not required.
3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.
Faculty: Laura Auricchio

PGDE 5184 GERMAN DECORATIVE ARTS
The course will investigate Germany as a center for the decorative arts—including interior decoration and furniture—between 1700 and 1980. Geographically situated in the center of Europe, and therefore on the crossroads of East-West and North-South trade, Germany saw a multitude of foreign influences coming from the craftsmen and trade of Italy and France, as well as the Netherlands and England. This had a great impact on the creation of a particular and unique German style, and has left a rich legacy open to new discoveries after the recent reunification of the country. Religious divisions between the Catholic regions in southern and western Germany and the Protestant regions of the east and north also caused differences in political influences, which in return had an impact on style and taste. The 18th century saw a strong influence of French aristocratic art, which found individual interpretation in the German provinces, since the French prototypes were too expensive and were merely known through drawings or printed documents. Through the migration of craftsmen from Germany to the great capitals of Europe such as London, Paris and Petersburg, and later the young United States German craftsmanship had an influence on productions in these countries. The sober and elegant forms of the Biedermeier period of the 19th century displayed new attempts at creating a purely German style and had varying degrees of international success. The Jugend movement and the Bauhaus school established successful designers and creators who brought their vision abroad when many were forced into emigration after 1933. The sombre years of the “Third Reich” were
followed by a research of reconciliation and connection with international trends which often were realized only with the modest means of a country which had a lost the war. The main artistic currents and centers for the creation and the manufacture of fine furniture, art objects and porcelain (Augsburg, Dresden, München, Dessau and Berlin) will be presented and discussed.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.
Faculty: Sarah Lawrence

PGDE 5215 20th CENTURY ADVERTISING IN AMERICA
This course will examine advertising in America both historically and thematically. Beginning in the late 19th century and coming up to the present advertising will be analyzed in relation to the evolution of American commercial life and society. Print advertisements, posters, television and film will be investigated from the perspectives of nationalism, racism, feminism, consumerism, and postmodernism. Run as a seminar class participation is essential. Students will be responsible for bringing in material for discussion as well as a final presentation.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.
Faculty: Marilyn Cohen

PGDE 5106 HISTORIC HOUSES
Historic house museums are among the most common type of museum in the world, some counts suggest that there are over 5,000 in the US alone. They present an invaluable but often under-utilized resource for engaging the decorative arts in the interpretation of local, regional, and national histories, as well as a common career path for museum professionals. This course will examine how the decorative arts can contribute to the interpretation of crucial themes in New York City history from the Colonial era to the mid-20thC within the context of its many and varied historic houses. Historical themes to be considered include: cultural identity and assimilation; slavery/servitude and freedom; status/class and consumption strategies; and gender roles.

The course will also explore the history of the house museum and current issues in its management and interpretation with a focus on the challenges and opportunities of the urban house museum. Site visits will be a critical component to this course and will include trips across the City's five boroughs, including: Brooklyn's Dutch-American farmhouses, the Morris Jumel Mansion, the Lower East Side Tenement Museum, the Frick Collection, and the Weeksville Heritage Center's Historic Hunterfly Road Houses. Classroom time will involve lecture and discussion as well as conversations with museum professionals from across New York City. Students will be expected to write short papers (20%), participate in class discussions (30%), and complete a final term paper/presentation (50%). The term project will require students to research and reinterpret specific historic interiors in existing or potential house museums.

3 CR
Faculty: Sean Sawyer

PGDE 5145 HISTORY OF TEXTILES
This course will make full use of the Museum’s extensive textile collection to introduce students to the broad range of textile creation and use through history. The collection is organized by
technique, so the course will use this as a starting point to examine the ways in which craft, technology and trade have informed the design and aesthetics of textiles and the related areas of interiors and fashion. While the primary focus will be on European and American materials from the Renaissance through the present, other cultures will be examined in their technical or aesthetic intersections with and contributions to Western design history. Assessment: Three preliminary assignments on technical analysis, sources, and context: 30%; Object analysis quiz: 10%; Research paper and presentation: 45%; Participation: 15%.

3 CR
Faculty: Susan Brown

PGDE 5105 PROSEMINAR
The Proseminar equips students with the skills required for scholarship in the history of decorative arts. In-class discussions introduce a range of methodologies and critical approaches. Exercises train students in essential tasks such as conducting formal analyses, writing catalogue entries, and making visual presentations. This writing-intensive course stresses the mechanics of expository writing through projects that require students to conduct and integrate primary and secondary source research. Each student selects one work from the Cooper-Hewitt collection to study throughout the semester. Grades will be calculated as follows: attendance/preparation/class participation (20%); Two short papers (10% each, 20% total); In-class presentation (20%); Final paper (20-25 pages) (40%). Preliminary drafts of papers, proposals, and bibliographies will also be submitted throughout the semester. These will be corrected but not graded.

3 CR
Faculty: Sarah Lawrence

PGDE 5128 SURVEY IN GLASS
This course examines the fascinating art and mystery of glassblowing from the isolation of Italian glassblowers on Murano in the thirteenth century to the popularity of the studio glass movement today. Glassmaking of Italy, France, England, Germany, and America is emphasized and discussed within the context of decorative arts history and design. Through hands-on experience, lectures and visits to museums, galleries and a glass studio, students learn basic production methods, hot and cold decorating techniques, design history and connoisseurship skills. General topics include the impact of mechanized production, innovative techniques that emerged in the nineteenth century, and identification of fakes and reproductions.

3 CR
Faculty: Mary Cheek Mills

PGDE 5100 SURVEY OF DECORATIVE ARTS
This course provides an overview of European decorative arts from the fifteenth through the eighteenth centuries, focusing on Italy, France, and England. Discussions concern style, function, and meaning of the decorative arts in both daily and ceremonial life. Drawing on interdisciplinary readings, the course considers objects and ornaments within their cultural, political, and social contexts. As the semester progresses, students explore how the transmission of style, the migration of craftsmen, the availability of exotic new materials and techniques, and the development of artist-designers who created unified decorative schemes, all led to the establishment of an international vocabulary of design. Course requirements: four short papers (40%), midterm exam (30%), and final exam (30%).
**PGDE 5110 SURVEY OF CERAMICS**

Ceramic production is one of the most ancient and widespread human endeavors. In this one-semester survey, the course will briefly introduce Chinese, Greek and Arabic innovations and contributions to the art, but will focus primarily on developments in the west from the Renaissance to contemporary design.

Classes will be object based with an emphasis on connoisseurship. Students will be expected to learn about the historical context of the objects primarily through the reading assignments. Most classes will be given by visiting experts who specialize in particular types of ceramics. There will be several trips to museums, galleries and artist's studios to examine objects and gain a better understanding of design and production issues. In addition students will be expected to seek out examples of various kinds of ceramics and keep a journal recording what they have learned from looking.

**3 CR**

**Faculty:** Maureen Cassidy-Geiger

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**PGDE 5212 SURVEY OF SILVER**

Precious metals have played significant roles in Western culture since ancient times, in contexts ranging from religious and ceremonial to domestic and personal. After an introduction to the properties of silver and gold, and to traditional and industrial techniques of fabrication and ornamentation, the course will focus on the products (from communion chalices to wedding rings) made by European, English, and American precious metalsmiths and the uses and significance of these objects in the societies in which they were produced. Issues of identification and connoisseurship of precious metals will be covered.

**3 CR**

**Open to:** Graduate students only.

**Faculty:** Deborah Dependahl Waters, Ph.D.

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**PGDE 5162 AMERICAN DECORATIVE ARTS SEMINAR**

This course will concentrate on the Metropolitan Museum of Arts heralded collection of American decorative art. The Museum's American Wing was recently renovated, reorganized, and reinterpreted to enhance visitor access and education. Classes will be held at the Museum and led by the American Wing's curatorial staff, who will discuss the full range of the Department's collection, including furniture, silver, ceramics, textiles, and glass. Their focus will be on objects produced in Boston, New York, and Philadelphia between the late colonial period and the mid-nineteenth century. Each meeting will include three components: slide lecture, object study, and a discussion of assigned readings. Enrollment is limited to twelve students.

**3 CR**

**Faculty:** Matthew A. Thurlow, Metropolitan Museum of Art

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**PGDE 5204 THEORIZING LUXURY**

This class assesses luxury design from multiple perspectives. Issues pertaining to consumerism, economics, and labor will be addressed. Specifically, we will look at examples of luxury design and examine these spaces and products in relation to a variety of authors, including, but not
limited to, Walter Benjamin, Henri Lebevre, Karl Marx, and Rachel Sherman. Additionally, we will take field trips to sites that our contemporary culture constructs as luxurious. These tours will investigate both the overt presentation of luxury and the labor necessary to create these “deluxe experiences.” For instance, a possible visit to the Four Seasons Hotel on 57th Street in Manhattan will include a careful exploration of the hotel lobby, guest rooms, and back-of-the-house operations. By the end of the semester, students will be expected to formulate their own critique of luxury in a research project that will utilize both primary sources and the theoretical perspectives we have explored.

3 CR

Open to: Graduate students only.

Faculty: David Brody

PGDE 5210 DOMESTIC SPACE: EUROPEAN MODERNISM

We often think of “Modernism” in design as a particular style or look, exemplified, perhaps, by architecture and objects of the 1920s. This course challenges such a limited view by proposing the nineteenth-century house as the primary locus of modernization in European design: the place where new materials, technologies and forms were adopted and adapted to define the experience of modernity. Developing its theme from Joris-Karl Huysmans’s 1884 novel Against Nature, in which an aristocratic aesthete withdraws from public life to design an artificial, interior retreat minutely calculated to affect his sensory experience, the course invites students to explore domestic modernism as a nineteenth-century construction, with special emphasis on the interaction of nature and artifice in design. Like the nineteenth century’s iron-and-glass greenhouse, whose unnatural conditions superseded Nature’s laws, the modern homemaker – with access to new products, as well as new ideas about hygiene, comfort, and psychology – could design a controlled interior to rival and even replace the outer world.

3 CR

Open to: Graduate students only.

Faculty: Freyja Hartzell, Yale University

SPECIAL REGISTRATION

PGDE 5901 EQUIVALENCY

Limited to students who have attempted, but not completed, 48 credits, and who need to be registered for six credits to retain student loans.

1 to 12 CR

PGDE 5900 INDEPENDENT STUDY, 3 CR

PGDE 5905 INDEPENDENT STUDY 2, 3 to 6 CR

Students who wish to pursue a specific interest, beyond what is available in any existing course, may work independently under the supervision of a faculty member or museum curator. To register for an independent study, the Contract for Independent Study is completed, which requires a description of the project and the signatures of the independent study supervisor and the department chair. A student must have completed 12 CR in the Masters Program before pursuing an independent study.

Open to: Graduate students only.

PGDE 5910 INDEPENDENT STUDY: MA EXAM
Please see department for approval.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.

**PGDE 5902 INDEPENDENT STUDY: THESIS**
Limited to students who have had their Honors Thesis petition approved. To register for an independent study, the Contract for Independent Study is completed, which requires a description of the progress on the thesis and the signatures of the thesis supervisor and the department chair.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.

**PGDE 5908 INDEPENDENT STUDY: THESIS 1**
Please see department for approval.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.

**PGDE 5909 INDEPENDENT STUDY: THESIS 2**
Please see department for approval.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.

**PGDE 5903 INTERNSHIP**
**PGDE 5904 INTERNSHIP 2**
Students who wish to acquire additional professional and practical experience in the field may choose to intern. Arrangements for and approval of any internship comes through the Chair; a student must have completed 12 credits in the Masters Program. As an intern the student is required to work a minimum of eight hours per week, or 120 hours total during the semester. In addition, the student keeps a journal reporting their activities that is submitted at the end of the semester to the Chair, who, in consultation with the internship supervisor, awards a grade on the basis of performance and written work. To register for an internship, the Contract for Internship is completed, which requires a description of the internship and the signatures of the internship supervisor and the department chair.

3 to 6 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.

**PGDE 5999 MAINTAINING STATUS**
Non-credit; limited to students who have taken 12 or more credits.

0 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.

**PGDE 5500 SPECIAL STUDIES**
Registering for this course permits students to receive credit through Parsons School of Design for approved graduate courses taken at NYU, FIT, or the Bard Graduate Center. In addition, a student must have completed 12 CR in the Masters Program before taking courses elsewhere.

3 CR
Open to: Graduate students only.
This course traces the history of graphic design in the 20th century from the foundation of contemporary styles, Russian Constructivists and the Bauhaus, to the major new trends today. The work of leading designers, typographers and art directors is examined.

3 CR

PAGD 1030 PORTFOLIO AND PROCESS
Students build and refine their portfolios to a professional level and learn the process of preparing for life after school. They explore employment opportunities, and write and design their resumes and business cards.

2 CR

PAGD 1040 GRAPHIC DESIGN 1
This is a 6 hour studio in which the students learn to organize the printed page using words and pictures—graphic design. They will learn the process, tools, materials, and techniques used to solve specific design problems.

4 CR

PAGD 1041 GRAPHIC DESIGN 2
This course focuses on advertising design and production. Using the principles of design and layout, students will solve selling problems by creating original concepts, including headlines and position lines, exploring the use of typography, photography and illustration. They will take their work from rough, through comp to finish and will learn how to ready the work for production.

4 CR

PAGD 1042 GRAPHIC DESIGN 3
This is an advanced course devoted to fine-tuned solutions to a wide range of reality-based design problems. There is an emphasis on discovering personal style, clarity of communication and improving presentation techniques.

4 CR

Pre-requisite(s): PAGD 1040 Graphic Design 1 and PAGD 1060 Typography 1.

Pre- or Co-requisite(s): PAGD 1041 Graphic Design 2.

PAGD 1050 DESIGNING SYMBOLS
The symbol, the essence of an idea, is the basis for a successful trademark and the first step in the development of a corporate identity program. Students in this course are trained to think in
terms of abstract images, to create visually appealing and meaningful graphic statements applicable to letterheads, posters, displays and other graphic material.

2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAGD 1060 Typography 1.

PAGD 1060 TYPOGRAPHY 1
Type and letter forms are graphic designs that inherently project an aesthetic message with their shapes. This course will examine a set of problems that are resolved through type and its limitless use.
2 CR

PAGD 1061 TYPOGRAPHY 2
This course provides an opportunity for more advanced study of type and its applications.
2 CR

PAGD 1070 PROCESS AND SKILLS
This course incorporates introductory information in the areas of graphic design, typography, printing history and technology, photography and bookbinding. The students will develop a working knowledge of the fundamentals and principles that are an integral part of the design process through in class and homework assignments.
2 CR

PAGD 1090 PUBLICATION DESIGN
This course provides an opportunity for an investigation of publication formats and the design and typographic issues particular to them.

PUBLICATION DESIGN, 2 CR
PUBLICATION DESIGN: BOOK, 2 CR

PAGD 1091 INTERACTIVE/WEB DESIGN 1
This course will introduce students to the basic principles of graphic design and e-design -- as they relate to designing for the Internet and multimedia. Concept driven interactive design for the integration of typography and images will be a focus of this studio, and students will learn to take a web site from concept to finished design. Interactivity, interfaces, information architecture, and navigational structures will be explored, as well as usability and web design strategies.
2 CR

PAGD 1092 INTERACTIVE/WEB DESIGN 2
This course will introduce students to time-based interactive design, exploring animation, audio, and digital video. The students will learn to create interactive experiences, develop original concepts and take a project from storyboarding to production. Narrative, linear and non-linear structures will be analyzed as well as advanced navigation schemes and dynamic web strategies.
2 CR

PAGD 1096 PHOTO LITHOGRAPHY
This course examines the practical and creative possibilities of combining traditional photolithography with digital production techniques. Assigned projects will explore combinations
of photographic, hand-drawn, and computer-assisted images as a means of understanding the planning, exploration, and manipulation of contemporary pre-press production. This course is recommended for Communication Design students who are enrolled in or have taken Publication Design, Book Design, and/or Book Cover Design and advanced AAS Graphic Design students.

2 CR

PAGD 1098 GRAPHIC DESIGN AND SILKSCREEN
A typographically driven course created to deepen one's knowledge of the design process while one acquires a practical understanding of production issues (including but not limited to: silkscreen, offset, hand made, computer). Students will create multi-page works, including a self promotional leave behind piece. The course is focused on student development through the medium of silkscreen, as applied specifically to the poster and the short run art book, or 'zine. Formal issues are explained, such as how to get the most out of a two to three-color job, understanding typographic hierarchies, and the use of space on the page. Conceptual issues are also addressed, including how to arrive at one's best ideas (Sketching and Research), the design process, and what makes a good poster/short run art book, or 'zine.

2 CR
Open to: Junior or Senior level students from any department with at least one semester of Typography.

PAGD 1140 DIGITAL LAYOUT
This course provides a thorough overview of presentation graphics. Students will learn how to develop and organize information to be used for all print media. A series of problems based on the relationship between typography and imagery will be assigned.

2 CR
Primary software used: Adobe CS2 and QuarkXPress.
Note: This course was formerly offered as PUDD 2040 Digital Layout.

PAGD 1240 ADVANCED DIGITAL LAYOUT
This is a web and interaction design class dedicated to designing with and for free and open source software. The class will explore layout, color, and interaction design concepts for the web. Students can expect to add new skills including the use of HTML and CSS, and an introduction to the ins and out of Wordpress content management system. Students are not required to have any programming skills and all the actual technical work will be very accessible. In today's media environments the tools we use now will be extinct by the time we can put them to use, therefore today rather than learning how to use tools as they are, we should understand how they work in order to renew and change them to fit our needs. The main questions we will deal with through the semester will be how do we learn and how can we teach through interface? What is the role of design in the open source world? And how can we give back to this new collaborative movement? This course is about learning to develop and execute strong design concepts, and not to learn a specific software or programming.

2 CR

PAGD 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Please see department for approval.
1 to 2 CR
PAGD 3901 INTERNSHIP
Please see department for approval.
1 to 2 CR

GENERAL STUDIO, AAS

PAGS 1001 DRAWING
Drawing from the nude, students in this course will learn eye-hand coordination, and the relationship between object and pictorial space. Through a series of exercises and using a variety of materials, they will learn to draw the figure. The process of drawing will be investigated as a means to developing a visual vocabulary.
2 CR

PAGS 1021 COLOR THEORY
Color is light as light is color. Light is a stimulus and color the result. This course will explore the physical and psychological effects of light and color, color interaction, relationships, and the variables that modify color perception. Through a series of exercises students will investigate the science and experience of color and learn how to manipulate viewer response using this powerful visual tool.
2 CR

PAGS 1050 SILKSCREEN
This course explores the use of various screen-printing techniques emphasizing compositional as well as technical skills for diverse applications. Projects are geared to specific needs and interests of the individual student. All basic methods will be demonstrated including hand-made and computer generated stencils. These techniques can be used to support other skills such as fashion design, graphic design or photography with the purpose of making presentation prints.
2 CR
COMMUNICATION DESIGN, BFA

REQUIRED COURSES

**PUCD 1040 TYPOGRAPHY AND VISUAL DESIGN**
This intensive course introduces students from other departments to the fundamentals of communication design: the history, form, and use of typography and the materials and methods used throughout the communication design field. Through a variety of projects, students explore the relationship between ideas, language, form, and communication as aspects of design processes, from conceptualizing to execution, and design thinking. This course is the Pre-requisite(s) for introductory CD electives.

3 CR

Open to: undergraduate and graduate degree students from throughout the university.

SOPHOMORE YEAR

**PUCD 2010 PRINT DESIGN 1**
This first-semester Sophomore requirement introduces students to the varieties of methods and materials used throughout the communication design field. Students learn basic design processes - from conceptualizing to execution - as well as the importance of “design thinking” to creative and effective visual communication. A variety of projects will acclimate the student to the manipulation of two-dimensional space through color, form, scale, proximity, language, concept, and context. Students will use a combination of hand skills and digital skills to complete assignments.

3 CR

**PUCD 2013 LETTERPRESS**
This course celebrates letterpress by using the computer to apply the fundamentals of typesetting and the essential principles of typography to the 500-year-old tradition of relief printing. Letterpress adds an exciting, tactile quality to design. The “bite” that is characteristic of letterpress is the result of the type being impressed into the paper. This added dimension is pleasing to the eye and touch, making the craft of letterpress an effective design tool. Letterpress offers a tangible quality and nostalgic feel that can not be achieved with any other technique. Students in the class will compose type, make negatives, generate photopolymer plates and print designs on a Vandercook press. Students will also investigate the subtleties of paper, inking, color and impression.

3 CR

**PUCD 2025 TYPE: CORE STUDIO**
Typography is language made visible. This first-semester Sophomore requirement introduces students to the history, forms, and use of typefaces and letterforms - a common aspect to all areas of communication design. Students will learn to see, understand, and manipulate the visual aspect of language as a powerful communicative tool. This course is the essential first step in “design thinking” - understanding the relationship between ideas, language, form, and communication. Students will learn about typefaces and letterforms through lectures,
independent study, drawing, and a series of projects aimed at developing practical typographic design skills.

3 CR

**PUCD 2026 TYPE: CORE LAB**
The ability to present one's work clearly and effectively is a critical skill for designers. This first- or second-semester Sophomore requirement aims to improve students' ability to articulate and communicate their analyses, approaches, processes, and concepts. Intensive exercises explore the use of voice, gesture, and supporting materials in a variety of one-to-one, one-to-many, and many-to-many settings, such as critiques, interviews, presentations, and meetings. These exercises are enhanced with field trips and presentations by professionals.

3 CR

**PUCD 2030 PRESENTATION**
Description forthcoming.

3 CR

**JUNIOR YEAR**

**PUCD 3010 TYPOGRAPHY 3**
This Junior-level required course further explores the power of meaningful typographic communication, while tempering it with emphases on its counterparts: concept, language, form, compositional ploys, graphic techniques, and technology. Students' skills are pushed to new levels through research and investigation.

3 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** all Sophomore-level requirements.

**PUCD 3090 ADVANCED STUDIO DESIGN**
This second-semester, Junior-level course builds on Advanced Typography by contextualizing general design theory and practice into the specific design methodologies of their instructors. Students and instructors explore a range of topics - social responsibility, sustainability, ethics, client relations, originality, and compensation - and their relation to the design process.

3 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** PUCD 3010 Advanced Typography.

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUCD 4100 THESIS 1**
This course continues the discussion begun in Advanced Studio Design. Students are encouraged to develop their own theories and practices for design. Instructors challenge students to expand their own capabilities through independent design research and experimentation. A secondary aim of the class is to build powerful portfolio pieces. Seniors are encouraged to consult the instructors, academic advisors, and fellow students before choosing a section.

3 CR

**PUCD 4202 THESIS 2**
Working closely with an advisor, students develop and create a substantial, original thesis related to the fields of design. This required studio course is the basis for the Senior Thesis Exhibition in the spring.

4 CR

Pre-requisite(s): PUCD 3090 Topics: Studio Design.

**SOPHOMORE ELECTIVES**

**PUCD 2100 IMAGING FOR DESIGNERS**
This Sophomore elective course provides an understanding of the practical aspects of photographic image-making for designers. Both traditional and digital photographic methods will be explored. Students will gain the skills necessary to document and present concepts for client and portfolio. A variety of exercises will hone skills in imaging both two- and three-dimensional work.

3 CR

**PUCD 2110 DISPLAY LETTERING**
Lettering is not typography. It is not concerned with a full set of typographic characters. The limits of its concern are a liberating force. This Sophomore-level elective concentrates on custom display type for the digital age. Students will develop an understanding of historical developments in display typography with an eye toward cultural influence on graphic form. The course complements the predominately text-oriented classes of Typography 1 and Typography 2 by investigating the expressive qualities of display lettering. Students will complete a number of lettering projects from concept to preliminaries to final digital lettering.

3 CR

**JUNIOR AND SENIOR ELECTIVES**

**PUCD 3020 INFORMATION DESIGN 1**
This course defines and demonstrates the process of graphically representing information. Students learn how to create visual patterns, which make complex information easily understood. Areas of classical and modern arrangements of 2D space through grids and other systems are explored. This class is useful for every area of design, because the ability to handle information and abstract data plays an important role in most design assignments, from websites to mass communications.

3 CR

Pre-requisite(s): all Sophomore-level required courses.

**PUCD 3030 BOOK DESIGN**
The 500-year-old history of printing in the West centered on the book. As communication needs have changed, the form of the book has evolved. This course is part of the Typo Graphics track, and explores how the subtleties of typography and layout are a mirror to the zeitgeist (culture and insight) of visual style. Students explore book design from the simplest one-column layout to complex grids and free-form typography. Through this investigation, students begin to understand and develop forms appropriate to editorial content and context. This class also tackles the practical aspects of book production, from developing viable projects, to working with publishers, to understanding production implications of the design.
PUCD 3035 BOOK COVER DESIGN
This course provides a rigorous introduction to the field of book cover design, one of the most flexible and engaging areas of graphic design, with room for everything from the flashy to the metaphysical. However, beneath the incredible variety of designs there are strict principles for balancing the at-times contradictory needs of combining package, book, and promotion design -- while also respecting the intent of the author(s).

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): all Sophomore-level required courses.

PUCD 3040 CORPORATE DESIGN
Corporate design is the process of creating and disseminating the image or identity for a collective entity. A company's logo is one of many of critical symbols that define public perception. A designer must create a voice for a company, whether that company provides a service or manufactures a product. As information and ideas travel in increasingly compact formats, the corporate designer is challenged to express information quickly and with certainty. This course provides a basis for deciding the procedures and practice for professional communication goals. Corporate design should be considered a fundamental skill in the communication designer's arsenal.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level required courses.

PUCD 3050 PACKAGE DESIGN 1
This course clarifies the process of developing graphic and visual articulation in package design. Structural projects are explored in the context of today's marketplace -- from environmental to competitive concerns. Luxury applications to sustainable resources are considered. Assignments demonstrate the functionality of packaging, from identification of a product to its protection and appeal. Production techniques are considered, depending upon student approach.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level required courses.

PUCD 3060 ADVERTISING CONCEPTS
Whether aggressive or subtle, selling and advertising are critical attributes to successful communication. Students gain familiarity with methods of creating original advertising concepts via text and image, and also explore principles of advertising design and layout. The psychology of effective presentation, through text, typography, photography and illustration, is integral to the class. From rough thumbnails to precisely executed comprehensives, all methods of visual exploration are investigated.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level required courses.

PUCD 3085 PHOTO EDITORIAL
This hybrid studio/lecture course addresses the distinct but interrelated disciplines of photo editing and art direction. A variety of preparatory projects will culminate in students choosing a
topic of personal interest, writing an essay, elaborating it with images, designing, and typesetting
the final monograph. Class discussion and critique will cover the wide range of issues involved in
image selection relative to concept, context, and desired impact.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): 2100 Imaging for Designers.

**PUCD 3120 CORPORATE IDENTITY & PACKAGING**
Investigate the professional environment of corporate and package design. Through the
development of image, logo, typography and marketing sensibility, a product or service may fail or
succeed. This course determines what aspects of design and presentation lead to success or
failure; what is “safe” in design, and what is experimental. Discussions will include why clients
may fear the unknown, and how originality may be brought to the marketplace. A class goal is to
produce strong portfolio work.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUCD 3040 Corporate Design or PUCD 3050 Package Design 1.

**PUCD 3170 EDITORIAL DESIGN**
Classic typographic traditions are usually visible in the most expressive examples of magazine and
editorial design. Through type the word is made visible. This notion provides a foundation for
editorial design. This course is concerned with the design of the page and the page sequence of
books, periodicals, and magazines through editorial concept, content, format, image and
audience. The class quickly builds on editorially typographic principles to reach into the most
experimental applications.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUCD 4030 Publication Design.

**PUCD 3300 SPATIAL GRAPHICS 1**
The use of type and image in spatial contexts, from retail or exhibition design to urban signage, is
both a quickly growing industry and a fascinating area of visual design. This intensive introductory
course considers the tools and skills gained in Sophomore year (typography, basic design and
composition skills, production and presentation skills) in relation to the human experience of
three-dimensional space.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level courses.

**PUCD 4030 PUBLICATION DESIGN**
The aesthetics of type and image remains the most widespread media for graphic designers. Every
aspect of the printed word and image is investigated and considered in these classes. The class
focuses on the process by which ideas are developed, edited and ultimately presented in both
personal and public contexts. The sequence of the idea is stressed, including how these ideas are
presented and revealed. The Communication Design Department offers a range of approaches,
based upon the professor’s objectives and understanding of publication design.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level required courses.

**PUCD 4040 PROMOTION DESIGN**
The development of two- and three-dimensional graphics is explored in the context of promoting a product. All aspects of developing visual significance, from formulating the idea to utilizing innovative printing techniques, are reviewed. Consideration of how promotion complements or is distinct from identity, style, or form is revealed through a number of projects. Aspects of how the idea of promotion extends beyond traditional communication strategies are discussed, while students find unique forms of expression to ensure their product’s voice can be distinctive amongst consumer clutter.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level required courses.

**PUCD 4050 PACKAGE DESIGN 2**
Gain an understanding of the discipline of packaging, from concept through professionally prepared prototypes. This course undertakes the design of the package as a combination of structural, visual and conceptual exploration. Students are encouraged to explore new methods and bring fresh insight to the concept of surface treatment and structure. Frequent guest lecturers provide state-of-the-art technical instruction. For at least one assignment, highly experimental packaging is required.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUCD 3050 Package Design 1.

**PUCD 4063 COMMERCIAL STORYBOARDING**
This course focuses process of TV commercial advertising campaign productions. It emphasizes the use of the story through time to present a concept that advocates a product, service or idea. The class begins with teaching the elements of a television commercial, but then expands into areas where the idea of influence is investigated though a visual sequence. Cutting-edge and experimental advertising are also explored.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUCD 3060 Advertising Concepts.

**PUCD 4090 EXPERIMENTAL TYPOGRAPHY**
This course deals with typography as an instrument to stimulate from both a visual and intellectual perspective. It focuses on the whole creative process, from concept to application, merging traditional typographical aesthetics with current electronic technologies. Students explore new directions, developing typographical solutions for print, cinema and TV titling, architecture and corporate design assignments. Students choose the subjects for projects and have creative freedom to utilize unconventional methods and materials. Projects created are geared towards portfolio presentation.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUCD 3010 Advanced Typography.

**PUCD 4111 PROFESSIONAL PROJECTS**
This course will teach students to strategically solve a design problem for a real client, or a theoretical one. Students will be given a design brief and will learn to ask the correct questions of the client in order to deliver a successful solution. Sample assignments may include marketing material design, web applications, follow up ad campaigns if necessary, banner design, outdoor posters, logo design and application. An integral part of the class will be the actual presentation of the work to the rest of the class and in many cases actual clients. Students will learn the art of
verbal presentation which is critical to the success of not only getting a job, but selling an idea to a client. The clients will come from small to mid level not for profit organizations who cannot afford traditional design firms. This will afford the students real problem solving challenges and in many cases see their work in print. Students will learn to take real copy and design with it. This class is for any student who is self motivated and wants excellent portfolio samples upon graduation.

3 CR
Prerequisite(s): Senior Thesis.
Open to: Non-majors with permission.

PUCD 4132 BRAND EXPERIENCE DESIGN

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): All Sophomore-level requirements and two of the following: PUCD 3060 Advertising Concepts, PUCD 3050 Package Design 1, and PUCD 3120 Corporate ID and Packaging.

PUCD 4144 ADVERTISING & MARKETING
Few industries have been transformed over the past decade like advertising; yet even the newest outlets for reaching current and future customers rely on the age-old process of persuasion. This course focuses on and deconstructs this process of persuasion by stripping away the technology, the media, and the computer and focusing first and foremost on the product. What is it about the product that will differentiate it from its competitors? What will differentiate it that will resonate with consumers? Once this differentiation is determined, students focus on how to communicate that difference, no matter how small or how great, in a way that will incite the consumer to act.

3 CR

PUCD 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Please see department for approval.
1 to 6 CR

PUCD 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Please see department for approval.
0.5 to 2 CR
DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY, BFA

REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

PUDT 1100 IMAGE: CORE STUDIO
This course is an intensive project-based studio, focusing of the principles and elements of two-dimensional design, particularly as they relate to interactive, print and time-based media. Students will produce projects with increasing complexity, focusing on: visual composition, typography, color, imaging and design for a specific audience. Emphasis is on creative solutions to problems, historic precedents, critical awareness and development of design vocabulary.
4 CR
Open to: Majors only.

PUDT 1103 IMAGE: CORE LAB
This course provides hands-on production skills and processes for projects in Core Studio: Image. Students will learn design specific technologies for digital printing, including vector and bitmap imaging, desktop publishing, media integration and color management. In-class projects will be complimented by a final portfolio of work. Primary software used: Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop & InDesign.
2 CR
Open to: Majors only.

PUDT 1203 CREATIVE COMPUTING
This course will introduce students to the building blocks of creative computing within the visual and media environment. Students will learn to create dynamic images, type and interfaces, that can translate into print, web and spatial forms. Through weekly problems, students will learn programming fundamentals that translate in virtually all programming platforms and will later be introduced to basic ideas of physical computing, employing unconventional input devices such as sensors, microphones, and new output devices. Primary software platform: Processing.
2 CR
Open to: Majors Only

SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUDT 2100 INTERACTION: CORE STUDIO
This course is an intensive project-based studio, focusing of the principles and elements of interactive and online media. Students will produce projects with increasing complexity, focusing on historic precedents, information architecture, media integration and future developments. Emphasis is on a critical awareness of new technologies, an articulated design process, creative engagement with the medium and principles of user experience.
4 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDT 1100 Core Studio: Image or equivalent
**Open to:** Majors only.

**PUDT 2101 INTERACTION: CORE LAB**
This course provides hands-on production skills and processes for projects in Core Studio: Interaction. Students will learn processes and techniques for website and interactive design, media integration and problem solving. In-class projects will be complimented by the production of a rich-media interactive portfolio. Primary technologies include: HTML, CSS, Adobe Flash, AS 3.0

2 CR

**Open to:** Majors only.

**JUNIOR YEAR**

**PUDT 3103 TOPICS**
This course is an advanced studio for students particularly interested in developing more complex projects with a specific domain of media design. Students will compliment the historic and theoretical readings with their own research, and will develop a larger independent project of along their own areas of interest. Emphasis is on critical thinking, iterative design methodology and synthesis of research, design production and presentation.
The three topics available for this term are: **NARRATIVE, NON-NARRATIVE, and INTERACTION**

6 CR

**Pre-requisites:** PUDT 2100 Core Studio: Interaction/Space or equivalent.

**Open to:** Majors only.

**PUDT 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Please see department for approval.

0 to 6 CR

**PUDT 3910 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
Please see department for approval.

1 to 2 CR

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUDT 4100 THESIS 1**
This course initiates the year-long process of the conceptualization, research, prototyping, iteration and review for the senior thesis. Students will be expected to develop their ideas both in written and visual forms, and clearly present their central ideas, research, methodology and project production in process.

6 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** PUDT 3100 Topics Studio or equivalent.

**Open to:** Majors only.
FINE ARTS, BFA

REQUIRED COURSES

SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUFA 2001 PAINTING 1
This course is an introduction to the material and subject possibilities of painting. The emphasis is on construction, composition, paint handling and color. Students begin and sustain the process of self-examination by dealing with diversified subjects and non-objective idioms. Individual and group criticism, combined with field trips and discussion of painting ideology, expands students' perspectives within historical and professional contexts.
3 CR
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

PUFA 2011 SCULPTURE 1
This course introduces ideas and materials that facilitate response to three-dimensional forms. The stress is on concepts of modeling, welding, mold making and constructing as well as the possibilities of more contemporary modes of expression.
3 CR
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

PUFA 2021 DRAWING 1
Artists should never be forced to make stylistic or aesthetic choices merely to avoid technical limitations. Drawing is a key discipline of the arts, and this course encourages the development of skill and the education of the artist's eye.
3 CR
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

PUFA 2032 VISUAL THINKING: VIDEO
Students will explore different uses of video as a medium for art. Through experimentation with the camera, shooting techniques, and methods of editing, students will "find" ideas for video sketches. Short video projects will be developed from these explorations and an investigation of the effects of the medium on perception. Students will further their understanding of the video as an art medium by viewing artists' videos and reading selected essays for written analysis and class discussion.
2 CR
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

PUFA 2035 VISUAL THINKING: NARRATIVES
This course will explore how narratives organize their visual and textual elements to tell their tales. Beginning with existing narratives – a fragment of a Hitchcock film, and a text of Freud's -- we will examine how the images chosen and the rhetorical devices employed, such as metaphor and metonymy, visually represent ideas and affects. Students will go on to produce their own narratives. There will be three assignments, plus a short reading, and the mandatory viewing of
one feature length film outside of class-time. The assignments will use lowish-tech means to allow the students to tell or retell the already told tales of Hitchcock and Freud. Students will produce puppet shows, flip books, one-of-a-kind books, comic strips, performances, serialized Xeroxes, shadow plays, passion plays, etc. as their own narrative responses to the assignments.

2 CR
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

JUNIOR YEAR

PUFA 3001 PAINTING 3
The intention of Painting 3 is to provide a structure and environment for the student to further develop his/her focus and direction in their individual work, while broadening and deepening their exposure and understanding of the expressive, creative, technical, critical and theoretical possibilities for pieces. It is the intention of the course to help each student make the transition from a cultural or collective notion of art to a more highly personal and individualized direction in their work. The course is also engaged in developing critical and theoretical thought in their work and for art in general. There is an emphasis on involving each student's conscious involvement in both the practice as well as theory of art, to come to a richer understanding of that relationship, and in turn to develop their critical faculties with regard to their own work as well as work in general.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUFA 2001 Painting 1 and PUFA 2002 Painting 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

PUFA 3011 SCULPTURE 3
Sculpture 3 is comprised from a selection of diverse concepts, materials and processes that are associated with the subject of contemporary sculpture. This class is for the student who wishes to explore other methods of art production and to expand their conceptual development, as well as technical skills and awareness of contemporary sculpture. We will discuss wide-ranging ideas of sculpture and its status as: object, materials, process, craft, space, the temporal, the experiential, and more.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUFA 2011 Sculpture 1 and PUFA 2012 Sculpture 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

PUFA 3021 DRAWING 3
Drawing 3 will use as a point of departure perceptual skills but an emphasis will be placed on experimental modes and use of the imagination, drawing systems, restrictions and art historical and contemporary references. Building on what students have learned in previous drawing classes we will explore the question: what is drawing/what are the possibilities of drawing/what is drawing today? The class will include a wide variety of experimental, conceptual, abstract and perceptual approaches and consider drawing in the broadest context. Various drawing formats and working approaches will be considered (such as chance operations, use of self-defined “drawing rules”, process oriented explorations, experiments in scale etc). The goal is to allow the student to develop a personal drawing vocabulary and be intellectually open to the broadest definition of drawing. We will “draw on the fringe” and consider unorthodox media, formats and approaches that today are a part of contemporary drawing. We will visit galleries and museums
when possible. Students will also compile and share research on contemporary drawing/works on paper.

3 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** PUFA 2021 Drawing 1 and PUFA 2022 Drawing 2 or equivalent.

**Open to:** Majors and Non-majors with permission of the Fine Arts Department.

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUFA 4001 SENIOR CONCENTRATION 1**
The year will focus on the establishment of more independent thinking and working; the establishment of a solid studio practice. The student will be asked to be responsible for her/his invention, (i.e. to be able to discuss the content/rationale with intelligence and commitment). Research is an essential project. There will be individual weekly Faculty-Student meetings, reviews and critiques.

5 CR

**Open to:** Majors only.

**PUFA 4033 VISITING LECTURE**
Through a series of guest artists and critic lectures, panel discussions and written assignments, students will deal with the many modes of contemporary art. Visiting artists will make studio visits to senior studios and talk to students about the development and progress of their work.

0 CR

**Open to:** Majors only for registration, but lectures are open to all students and the public.

**PUFA 4053 THEORY, PRACTICE, AND CAREER 1**
This wide-ranging course will investigate the integral relationship between theoretical issues, the studio practice of the artist and the practical development of a profession. The course will examine critical and theoretical texts and their relationship to the making of art as well as pragmatic approaches to career development such as application to graduate school, portfolio presentation, building a relationship with a gallery, grant application and managing “life and art”, among other vocational concerns. Utilizing guest speakers, workshops and seminars, Theory, Practice and Career will explore “real life” conditions, opportunities and options that artists face after graduating and help build strategies to effectively and creatively build a professional life.

3 CR

**Open to:** Majors only.

**ELECTIVES**

**PUFA 2040 EXPANDING HORIZONS: DRAWING INSPIRATION FROM NON-WESTERN ART**
This course is designed to integrate two closely related activities: art that is being made (yours) and art that has been made (in this case, the art of non-western cultures). Taking advantage of our city’s great resources, the class will visit collections and museums, e.g., the Japan society and the museum of African art. Students will discuss the work on site and record their experiences in a journal. Back in the studio, from those notes, students will be able to develop ideas and imagery of their own. This is an opportunity for students to study several different collections of non-Western art and to use the experience indirectly in their own studio work. This is about exposure to ideas, visions, and intentions that are different from the art world and about finding inspiration for
creating new work. The emphasis will be more on exploration and development of visual ideas than on the production of finished pieces. There will be a textbook: Non-Western ART - A Brief Guide, by Lynn Mackenzie and discussion.

2 CR
Open to: Majors and Non-majors.

**PUFA 2801 ELECTIVE PAINTING**
This course focuses on the basics of painting, with an emphasis on technical paint handling, color, composition and materials. Acquiring basic studio habits and practices, students begin the process of a visual and conceptual examination of painting today. Individual and group criticism, combined with field trips and discussion, expands perspectives within historical contexts. As students advance, they explore a variety of abstract and figurative possibilities for self-examination. This course is a Pre-requisite(s) for spring semester’s Painting 2 (PUFA 2002).

3 CR
Open to: Lang students and non-majors.

**PUFA 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Please see department for approval.
1 to 3 CR

**PUFA 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
Please see department for approval.
1 to 3 CR
ILLUSTRATION, BFA

SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUIL 2015 SOPHOMORE ILLUSTRATION CONCEPTS
The goal of this course is to help students connect the world of concepts and ideas to image making. It begins with the evolution of developing a personal style while tailoring work to specific assignments. All projects emphasize the process of illustration/design from concept to completion. Each student will develop the verbal skills to explain and discuss their choice of ideas and solutions. Course work reflects the range of job possibilities illustrators/designers receive. Emphasis will be on meeting deadlines, evoking the appropriate mood and realizing a concept that solves the problems presented.
2 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

PUIL 2020 MATERIAL & METHODS
This course is to introduce students to the methods of using a variety of media. Techniques will be taught in black and white as well as color. During the course, twelve to fourteen projects will be produced to give students a thorough understanding of a range of versatile materials.
1 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

PUIL 2035 SOPHOMORE DRAWING
This is an intensive introduction to drawing the figure and objects in space. The course employs the various traditional and non-traditional drawing materials. Students develop drawing skills and focus on such particulars as anatomy, perspective, value, scale, color, and all the elements for successful drawing.
3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

PUIL 2040 SOPHOMORE PAINTING
This six-hour class will explore various paint mediums and the expressive power of color. Students develop an understanding of basic traditional concerns of contemporary painting vocabulary (i.e., shape, form, volume, and value). The course covers the effect of scale, surface (primed or unprimed) and imagery both abstract and realistic.
3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

JUNIOR YEAR

PUIL 3010 JUNIOR ILLUSTRATION CONCEPTS
The goal of this course is to identify each student’s individual developmental issues as an artist and to resolve these issues. Further development of the student’s visual language is stressed through the improvement of the artist’s conceptual skills. Project emphasis is on realizing a
concept that solves the problems presented, evoking appropriate mood and meeting deadlines. Each student strengthens their verbal skills while explaining and discussing ideas and solutions. Course assignments reflect current trends in the marketplace, featuring lectures and critiques from professional illustrators, art directors, gallery directors, and graphic designers.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUIL 2010 Sophomore Illustration Concepts.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3050 JUNIOR DRAWING & PAINTING**
This is a six-hour drawing/painting class. Drawing and painting from models becomes a natural springboard for personal expression. The class concentrates on composition and attention is given to contemporary and historical precedents. Concepts of pictorial space are incorporated along with figure work. Drawing is also a tool for diagramming ideas and creating marks to develop style and point of view. The pairing of painting with drawing is a natural development from the work done in the sophomore year.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUIL 2030 Sophomore Drawing and PUIL 2040 Painting.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUIL 4012 SENIOR THESIS**
This course meets two times a week to focus on conceiving and creating a “thesis” body of work. Thesis projects integrate writing along with developing a cohesive body of artwork, which concentrates on a single theme. To help focus student ideas, there is a semester-long process of reviews and one-on-one consultation.

4 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUIL 3010 Junior Concepts.
Open to: Senior Illustration majors only.

**PUIL 4040 DIGITAL PRESENTATION**
This course gives students a realistic overview of the profession of illustration/design. This course will help prepare seniors to present themselves and their work in their senior exhibition as well as out in the professional world. Visiting professionals will give professional perspectives and share personal experience.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUIL 2070 Typography and three digital electives.
Open to: Senior Illustration majors only.

**JUNIOR AND SENIOR LEVEL ELECTIVES**

**PUIL 3072 CHILDREN’S BOOK ILLUSTRATION**
Students will develop an original picture book for children. They are introduced to all phases of this process from initial conceptualization, writing, editing, paging, illustrating and creating the final dummy. Students conduct independent research using their own books and learn how to present them to potential publishers.
3 CR  
Pre-requisite(s): Juniors and Seniors only.  
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department

**PUIL 3093 DRAWING & PAINTING**  
This course works as an independent study within a class structure. Students draft proposals, describing the body of work they will accomplish in class. Students continue their growth in the area of drawing & painting with individualized instruction as well as individual and group critiques. Every week there will be a set-up and model available to work from. Resources and books regarding painting and illustration will be introduced during each class.

3 CR  
Pre-requisite(s): Juniors and Seniors only.  
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3094 VISUAL NARRATIVE**  
Rethinking the conventions of the comic-strip with the goal of finding a personal drawing style and narrative voice is the aim of this class. Studio exercises will help students discover the visual world within their own writing and find literary inspiration through drawing. The course will examine the European precursors of the American comic strip and the work of contemporary alternative comic strip artists, with an eye toward placing the student’s work within a larger literary and artistic context. This course will be in a workshop format.

3 CR  
Pre-requisite(s): Juniors and Seniors only.  
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3110 ILLUSTRATION IN MOTION**  
Students explore drawing, movement and sequenced movement in illustration. Students learn to answer illustration/design assignments in a sequential way using storyboards and flipbooks. There will be drawing on location and from the model. Students will master drawing the figure in motion from various angles. They will also use graphics, scale and pacing to create exciting visuals for film and animation. Assignments include movie titles, short commercials and/or animated websites.

3 CR  
Pre-requisite(s): Junior and Seniors only.  
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3120 ILLUSTRATION DESIGN STUDIO**  
This course teaches illustrators to utilize Adobe InDesign, the leading page-layout software. Elements of type and design are addressed as students create design projects incorporating their illustrations.

3 CR  
Open to: Illustration majors only.

**PUIL 3121 WEB FOR ILLUSTRATORS**  
This course teaches students how to use the web as a tool for showcasing their work as well as for the communication of ideas. This course will help illustrators adapt their existing body of work to
the online format as well as see the web as a vehicle for creative self-expression. Elements of design, layout, programming and the web's limitations will be addressed as students create web-based projects incorporating their illustration work.

3 CR

**PUIL 3123 SKETCHBOOK WAREHOUSE**

This class will explore and examine the commercial viability of the work of sketchbooks. The sketchbook will be understood as a repository for ideas and explorations, which will ultimately make up a personal vision. In turn this vision can be used as a presentable, comprehensive, finished, work of art, which is also essentially a warehouse of commercial potential.

3 CR

**Open to:** Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3131 BEYOND THE PAGE**

This class will explore the ever-expanding territory where illustration meets design. The hybrid designer-illustrator is head and shoulders above the pack. With drawing skills, a keen sense of color, typography, layout and an interest to do it all, today's new breed is poised for a long and varied career. Guest speakers who exemplify these virtues will present case studies, slide show lectures will provide inspiration and practical assignments will afford students opportunities to pull it all together. Assignments will be a range of packaging, objects, logos, animation boards and advertising, all using a multi-disciplinary approach. The result will be to inspire students that drawing skills have wide and varied applications.

3 CR

**Open to** Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3145 TOY CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT AND CHARACTER DESIGN**

Illustration is broadening its definition and toys are an exciting new frontier; a dynamic nexus incorporating character design, product design, sculpture and narrative. A successful designer toy is serious fun, resonating with the artist's personal inner vision while presenting consumers with a fresh visual language. Toys have always had universal appeal. A designer toy takes it further, bridging the divide between high art and low, sleek and edgy, crisscrossing cultures with ease. This course is uniquely designed to expose students to this new frontier by working closely with a guest instructor who is at the forefront of the market. From vinyl to plush, our guest will encourage inventive toy solutions, while discussing practical issues like technical drawing, manufacturing and marketing. Through involvement in various supportive conceptual exercises and research, students will work toward a final completion of a three-dimensional model of their toy, which will be presented at the end of the course.

3 CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** Junior and Seniors only.

**Open to:** Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3170 OPEN DRAWING WORKSHOP**

This is an open drawing course with models and a monitor. This course is offered for all students who want to work on their drawing skills outside of their required courses.

0 CR

**Open to:** All (with valid school ID).
**PUIL 3232 READING GRAPHIC NOVELS**
The focus of this seminar course will be on close-reading of a select group of graphic novels, looking at the plot, formal quality, cultural and aesthetic contexts, and the history embedded in each work. The graphic novels will be chosen for their historical significance, thematic richness, and formal innovation, and complemented by secondary sources and criticism. Authors will include Art Spiegelman, R. Crumb, Chris Ware, Julie Doucet, Dan Clowes, Linda Barry, and Kim Deitch. There will also be a small group of discussions with the authors discussed in attendance. 

**Pre-requisite(s):** Junior and Seniors only. 
**Open to** Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3233 PICTURE-STORY WORKSHOP**
Through a series of exercises, students will explore the possibilities of expression that arise when text and image are combined on the same page. Creative writing and journalism students will analyze, through drawing, descriptive passages in their own written texts. Art students will discover and amplify, through text, the stories suggested by their drawings. The course will examine prospective systems, body-language, projective drawings and graphology. New possibilities of narrative structure and visual composition will be developed through work and classroom discussions. This course wills emphasis handmade drawing and the cultivation of an "autographic voice." All students, regardless of experience, will be expected to write and draw.

**Pre-requisite(s):** Junior and Seniors only. 
**Open to** Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUIL 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Please see department for approval.

**0.5 to 5 CR**

**PUIL 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
This Internship is for students who want to gain experience in the field of art and design. Please see department for approval.

**0.5 to 3 CR**
PHOTOGRAPHY, BFA

Most Photography courses are open to Parsons and Lang students from all programs subject to the availability of space, and departmental approval based on pre-requisite(s), experience and/or portfolio. Please see the Photography Department advisor for approval. The following is the four-year curriculum taken by students who are direct entry students in the Photography Department.

REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

PUPH 1001 DRAWING 1
Part one of a year long required course that introduces photo students to elements of drawing with special emphasis placed on integrating drawing principles and photographic seeing.
2 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class.

PUPH 1008 DESIGN 1: FROM LINE TO PIXEL
This course introduces participants to the formal and material systems that enable communications in a variety of imaging media. Participants will be introduced to digital photography, video, sound editing and web design. Students will explore introductory two, three and four-dimensional concepts, and information theory as well as investigate the communicative language and properties of each I-media. Student will be asked to actively engage in a rigorous investigation into the elements and basic compositional, expressive and generative strategies employed to shape images and objects. The web will serve as an electronic sketchbook and repository for the student's work and inquiry.
4 CR
Open to: Majors only.

PUPH 1010 FRESHMAN SEMINAR 1
This introductory seminar, part of the department’s required core curriculum, explores the multiple modes and roles of photography. In a supportive atmosphere students are encouraged to explore the possibilities of the medium, embrace creative risk, and tackle aesthetic concerns as they refine their craft. Participants will utilize both traditional and digital image capture and output and work in both black and white and color. Weekly assignments, lectures, and critiques will further the students understanding of picture making possibilities.
4 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

Please see the Art & Design Studies course description booklet for the following description:

PLEN 1020 CRITICAL READING AND WRITING 1, 3 CR
PLAH 1000 PERSPECTIVES IN WORLD ART AND DESIGN 1: PRE-HISTORY TO THE 14th C., 3 CR
SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUPH 2001 VIEW CAMERA
This one semester course, part of the department's required core curriculum, introduces participants to the workings of a 4 x 5 camera and sheet film as it relates to the studio practice. This course covers camera movements and exposure. Additional attention is paid to the location and fine art practices that rely on the special attributes of the view camera.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 1011 Freshman Seminar 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 2003 STUDIO & LIGHT 1
In this class which is part of the department’s required core curriculum, students will learn the expressive and emotional characteristics of different types of light, both artificial and natural, as well as gain the skills to light any surface and to handle any studio situation. Students concentrate on studio lighting scenarios, ranging from portraits to still life in the studio and beyond.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 1011 Freshman Seminar 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 2007 DESIGN 3: CAPTURE TO PRINT
The course, part of the department’s required core curriculum, focuses on the aesthetics and technical skills used in creating a fine digital print, from capture to print. Color management and workflow techniques will be emphasized as a basis for image control in the studio as well as outside sources. Students will use film, flatbed scanners, and digital cameras to capture images for quality prints. Class discussions and critiques of images and resulting prints will cover both the conceptual and aesthetic.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 1009 Design 2: Line to Pixel or equivalent.
Open to: Majors only.

PUPH 2009 SOPHOMORE SEMINAR 1
This seminar, part of the department’s required core curriculum, is when students build on the first year experience, continuing to hone their vision and perfect their technical skills. Participants continue their exploration of the language and theory of photography and will begin to apply critical and technical skills in defining their own photographic statement. Emphasis will be placed on concept development, the creative process and work ethic. Students will seek to gain a critical perspective and distance through self-evaluation methods. Lectures, readings, papers, and gallery visits are intended to provide context(s) for the student's work.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 1011 Freshman Seminar 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

Please see the Art & Design Studies course description booklet for the following description:

**PLAH 2300 HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY, 3 CR**
**ULEC 2500 & 2501 INTRO TO VISUAL CULTURE & RECITATION, 3 CR**

### JUNIOR YEAR

**PUPH 3001 JUNIOR SEMINAR 1**
This course, part of the department’s required core curriculum, continues the dialogues that began in Sophomore Seminar. Students will further explore the language and theory of photography, and will begin to apply critical and technical skills in defining their own photographic statement. During this seminar students will begin to develop a body of work, understanding the process necessary to create a portfolio or exhibition. Included will be papers, visits to shows, and working throughout the year on developing a personal style. Students must switch instructors in the second semester of this course.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 2011 Sophomore Seminar or equivalent.
Open to: Majors only.

**PUPH 3004 IMAGERY AND DESIGN**
This course is part of the department’s required core curriculum and introduces the principles of graphic design with an emphasis on typography and the integration of type and imagery. Students will design a book, magazine and promotional materials.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 1009 Design 2: Line to Pixel or equivalent and some knowledge of InDesign.
Open to: Majors only.

Please see the Art & Design Studies course description booklet for the following description:

**PLAD 3500 & 3501 GLOBAL ISSUES IN DESIGN & VISUALITY IN THE 21st C: CULTURE & RECITATION, 3 CR.**

### SENIOR YEAR

**PUPH 4001 SENIOR SEMINAR 1**
In the final Seminar sequence in the department’s required core curriculum, Seniors will identify and complete a photographic “senior thesis” in this course. They will be required to define their project and present it in final form by the last class of the semester. Grades will be based on the process and more importantly the final product.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 3002 Junior Seminar 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Majors only.
PUPH 4002 SENIOR SEMINAR LAB 1
The class covers business practices for commercial and fine art photographers. We will discuss marketing, branding, bidding, pricing fine art and commercial work, copyright, resumes, galleries, artist statements, editing and packaging work for presentation, and how to meet and approach galleries, magazines and ad agencies, among other topics.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 3002 Junior Seminar 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Majors only.

PUPH 4005 SENIOR THESIS TUTORIAL
Taken in coordination with Senior Seminar, this required independent study allows students and instructors to meet with each other individually to discuss projects, creative processes, artist’s statements, exhibition proposals, and portfolios for presentation to gallerists, art buyer, art directors, designers and editors.
1 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 3002 Junior Seminar 2 or equivalent.
Open to: Majors only.

Please see the Art & Design Studies course description booklet for the following description:

PLAH or PLDS 4000 level SR SEM course, 3 CR

ELECTIVES

PUPH 1100 INTRODUCTORY PHOTOGRAPHY
A one semester introduction to photography course that centers on developing skills in using handheld cameras, both traditional and digital. Students will learn black and white films and papers and the equivalents for digital technology. Although both traditional and digital darkroom techniques will be introduced in class, this is not a darkroom class. Students will be expected to print on one's own. Assignments and critiques will incorporate the spontaneous qualities of handheld cameras and the aesthetics of traditional and digital prints as key concepts. Group discussion will be based on textbook readings and in-class demonstrations.
3 CR
Open to: Non-majors only. No Departmental approval needed.

PUPH 1200 PHOTOGRAPHY 1
Offered in the fall and spring semesters, this course is an introduction to photography as a visual language and will teach students the technique, aesthetics and theory of photographic images through a variety of assignments, readings, field trips and lectures. Students are encouraged to experiment with different modes of photography and to create a final project based on individual interests. The final will consist of a bound photographic book made in multiples so that each student can receive a copy of each students work. Although the course will look at the history of the medium and address specific issues related to traditional film based photography, most of the work produced in the class will be made with digital technology.
3 CR
Open to: Lang students only.
PUPH 2200 PHOTOGRAPHY 2: PHOTOJOURNALISM
In this class, through the study of great photojournalistic images and weekly assignments, students learn how to use images to tell a story while developing a personal vision. Photojournalism requires passion and commitment because it is an endeavor to find the truth and tell the stories that need to be told. Great photojournalism causes a viewer to linger on the images; photojournalistic images have the power to change our perceptions of reality.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 1200 Photography 1 or by permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.
Open to: Lang students only.

PUPH 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Only Seniors in the Photography Department may take an Independent Study. Projects proposed for an independent study must be of a type and form that cannot be done in any class offered in the Photography Department's curriculum. Once the project has been proposed, an appropriate instructor will be chosen for the student. Independent Study leaders meet with students for 1-2 one-on-one hours per week.
The Proposal for an Independent Study must include:
1) A detailed explanation of the concept of their project
2) A detailed explanation of the execution of their project
3) A description of the medium of the project and the method of presentation for the final result
4) An explanation of why this project cannot take place within the Photography Department’s curriculum
5) An explanation of how this project relates to the work that the student has done to date
6) An explanation of how the project will advance the students work and move them toward their goals.

Students should see the Photography program advisor for additional details.
0.5 to 2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): By permission of the department chair only.
Open to: Majors only.

PUPH 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Work in a commercial photo studio, an artist's studio, the photography department of a magazine, a professional photo studio, a gallery, or for the photography department of a museum under the supervision of established photographers and editors. Students are responsible for finding an internship using the resources of the Photography Department and Parsons Office of Career Services. Students must obtain a Work/Learn Agreement contract and have their supervisor fill it out. Students must work for a minimum of 90 hours during the semester (which equals around 7 hours per week for 13 weeks) and write a one-page report detailing what they have learned during the internship. At the end of the internship, the employer must evaluate job performance by filling out the Employer Evaluation form. Interested students should see the Photography program advisor for additional details.
1 to 2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): By permission of the Photo program advisor only.
Open to: Majors only.
PUPH 3903 SPECIAL ELECTIVE
Special Elective is arranged when a student and professor agree to work together outside of class for a semester. To register for a Special Elective, a student must prepare a plan of study, fill out the Contract for Independent Study/Special Elective form and have the plan of study approved by a supervising professor. The contract must detail the work the student will complete during the semester. Interested students should see the Photography program advisor for additional details.

0.5 to 2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): By permission of the department chair only.
Open to: Majors only.

PUPH 4013 ADVANCED COLOR PRINTING
This course is designed to develop the student’s visual style through their exploration of a wide variety of film exposure, darkroom printing and digital imaging techniques. Each student will be expected to take a particular aesthetic direction in their work and will learn to employ whatever techniques best support this direction. Each student will produce a final “professional” portfolio which is both technically and aesthetically cohesive.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4020 CONCEPTUAL PROCESSES: CONTEMPORARY STRATEGIES
Appropriation, decontextualization multiplication, systems, collecting, mapping, surveillance -- students will investigate these and other conceptual practices as means for producing bodies of work. In looking at each other's work the class will be concerned with developing and refining our critical skills and vocabulary. Through weekly readings, slide presentation, exercises, and critique, the class will attempt to locate each students work within the context of these issues in order to provide a deeper understanding of the work and its relationship to contemporary visual culture. This course is about process (not product) and is designed for the student who wishes to pursue personal artistic expression in their work. “Conceptual Processes: Personal Investigations” offered in the spring semester is designed to complement this class.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4024 LIGHTING: ON THE EDGE
In today's competitive marketplace every photographer needs an edge. Whether students shoot in the studio or on location and photograph people or products, learning to light is essential. Creative lighting should be part of one’s photographic signature. This is an in-depth and hands on examination of lighting techniques. Emphasis will be placed on learning to effectively light on location. The class will cover portable lights, balancing strobe with ambient light, metering, color correction and light modifiers. Students will learn how to think through their use of light to cultivate a personal style.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4025 ARTISTS’ BOOKS
The purpose of this course is to give students an opportunity to make their own artists’ books using both photographic and digital imaging processes. Students will take pictures specifically for every class assignment. By studying established book structures such as the codex, scroll and concertina fold, as well as, one-of-a-kind artists’ books and editions, students will also enrich their understanding of both historical and contemporary artists’ books. A primary focus of the course will be on how a book functions as a sequence of complex ideas. By exploring and making a variety of alternative structures, narrative forms and the physical properties of a book, students will generate paginated works that include both imagery and text.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 2011 Sophomore Seminar 1 or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4031 PORTRAITURE
This class will discuss and explore the portrait as it exists in the editorial, corporate and advertising worlds. We will demonstrate the various solutions and lighting techniques applicable to these fields. Practical assignments will be given to help students understand how to problem solve technically as they are confronted with various lighting situations. We will also examine ways to make the subject more comfortable in front of the camera by understanding their requirements—even when you are only given a few minutes in which to take the portrait. The historical changes in portraiture in each genre will also be reviewed as well, as students will look at the practical and societal impact of various types of representation and how they apply to personal, editorial and corporate identity.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): Freshman Seminar 1 (PUPH 1010) or equivalent
Open to: Freshman Photo Majors only

PUPH 4036 FASHION CONCEPTS
This class will explore the basis of fashion photography and will give students an overview of the history of fashion photography as well as provide a working knowledge of current trends in clothing, hair, make-up, styling, and producing a fashion shoot. Speakers will be brought into class to give demonstrations. The last portion of the class will be devoted to in class shoots with models, hair, and make-up provided. This class is a Pre-requisite(s) for PUPH 4059 Fashion Portfolio.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.
Note: Students in Fashion Concepts must check their e-mail beginning two weeks prior to the semester as the first class assignment is during Fashion Week, the first week of the semester.

PUPH 4046 BEYOND THE DOCUMENTARY: EXPLORING THE TRADITIONAL AND CONTEMPORARY GENRE
This course will explore documentary photography as an evolving genre. Each student will explore a documentary project of his/her choice within a traditional paradigm or one that challenges the documentary style and methodology to portray the complexity of culture and the everyday. This can be achieved in a variety of ways using collaboration, self-portraiture, text-based imagery, traditional documentary models, constructed (or ‘faux’) realism. The aim is to explore how the photographer depicts both the social reality of the culture observed and our artistic response to it. Also, the course will examine the cultural and personal factors that influence a photographer’s vision and perception. Class sessions will include discussions, critiques, individual consultation, and guest critics. Additional exploration in literature, film and other visual and literary media will be individually assigned based on each student’s project. Reading, research, and writing in the form of a written diary, interviews, caption information, artist statement, and/or a written thesis is essential to this class. Collaborative projects with other photographers or students in other disciplines are possible.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUPH 2011 Sophomore Seminar or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4048 PHOTOGRAPHY AS EXPANDED MEDIA
In contemporary art, photographic processes are a starting point to create works that expand from traditional notions of the print. In this course, the technologies and ideas of photography can be mined as a starting point for projects in expanded media. The course will be a means to discuss various strategies and to view applicable work. Installations, conceptual projects, projections, public-sited works, websites, video, slide shows, and artists’ books are all potential explorations for this course. We will be viewing contemporary work and concentrating on focused assignments.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, or equivalent.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4079 PICTURING SEXUALITY
This course examines the photographic representation of the female and male body from the 19th century to our present epoch. The course is a passionate, irreverent, analytical, and rigorous study of how the body has been depicted, perceived, and manipulated in the many and diverse periods of photography. Photography examined in the class will include examples from the following genres: anthropology; fine art photography: Victorian, Modernist, and Contemporary; fashion: Surrealist, avant-garde and editorial; amateur: historical erotic snapshots by anonymous photographers; Magazine photography; as well as footage and cinematography from films that overlap historically with the photography the class will study. Many artists will be studied including: Lady Hawarden, Bellocq, Stieglitz, Man Ray, Bunuel and Dali, Hans Bellmer, Bettie Page, Avedon, Pierre Molinier, Jan Saudek, Helmut Newton, Guy Bourdin, Grace Jones, Francesca
Woodman, Mapplethorpe, Cindy Sherman, Madonna, Sally Mann, Nobuyoshi Araki, David Lynch, Bettina Rheims, Steven Meisel, Juergen Teller, and Katy Grannan. Students will be expected to contribute original photographic work in conjunction with the specific periods explored in the class. Work will culminate in the development of original project work unique to each student that explores the body or sexuality in a personal or commercial style to be established by each student.

3 CR

Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, or equivalent.

Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department. Please see a photography department advisor to schedule a class or portfolio review.

PUPH 4300 THE LAY OF THE LAND
Description forthcoming.
3 CR

PUPH 4510 ADVANCED PHOTOSHOP
In Advanced Photoshop students move deeper into the program; expanding their skill sets, learning new combinations, refining existing abilities, and exploring new functions. Assignments include real world applications of the skill learned.
3 CR

Pre-requisite(s): This course is open to juniors and seniors within the Photography Department, who have completed PUPH 2008 Design 4: Pixel to Cyberspace or equivalent.

Open to: Majors only
DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY, MFA

REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

PGTE 5161 CREATIVITY AND COMPUTATION
Computation is at the center of Design and Technology activity. So is creativity. What is the relationship between these core elements of the program? Through weekly lectures, visiting speakers and hands-on labs the Creativity and Computation course introduces students to a wide range of technical, theoretical, and aesthetic issues important to the creative technologist. Each week, the lecture will present an overview of a particular area (computer history, artificial intelligence, human/computer evolution, hardware, software, networks, operating systems, new media theory, and ethics). Some lectures will be augmented with talks from DT Core Faculty. In addition to the lecture, a weekly lab will introduce students to the experience of programming through hands-on execution of several projects. Project topics include Proce55ing, A-life, Mindstorms Robotics, computer vision, sensors and switches, and neural networks.

Throughout the Creativity and Computation experience, care is taken to engage students on their own level of interest and expertise. Open discussion in the lecture and lab environment is encouraged. All lectures close with a question/answer session. Students connect with the lab programming experience as they choose; those with professional or academic backgrounds in computer science often take on advanced development, administrative, or system analysis roles, where neophytes are brought along more gently. Many find themselves somewhere in between. Books for the course include The Language of New Media (Lev Manovich), The Age of the Spiritual Machine (Ray Kurzweil), Creation (Steve Grand), and Perdido Street Station (China Mieville).

3 CR
Co-requisite(s): PGTE 5162 Creativity and Computation Lab.
Open to: Majors only.

PGTE 5162 CREATIVITY AND COMPUTATION LAB
Students in Creativity and Computation must also enroll in one weekly lab section.
0 CR
Co-requisite(s): PGTE 5161 Creativity and Computation.
Open to: Majors only.

PGTE 5200 MAJOR STUDIO: INTERFACE
This course is the primary introduction to the creation of work within a design and technology context and should be seen as the interface for MFADT core topics — Narrative, Computation, and Interactivity — as well as the tripartite of the program: design, technology, and society. The course is designed as a stepping stone to a student's own investigations and interests, as well as a space for exploration and experimentation with alternative design processes and methodologies. The course is run in a studio format, which means all students are expected to participate in the making, discussion, and critique of work.

6 CR
Open to: Majors only.
SECOND YEAR

PGTE 5126 WRITING AND RESEARCH
Learning to use design writing as a way to document and develop research concepts, methods, and prototypes is the primary objective of the Thesis Writing and Research Laboratory. Students will explore various forms of design writing including (but not limited to) white papers, essays, process documents, and design briefs as forms of expression for their thesis concepts. The goal is to begin to better understand the range of writing activities in which design technologists engage, and to see the invaluable role writing plays as a creative and critical act within the thesis design process. Writing fundamentals will be covered including structure (part to whole organization, hierarchical headings to guide readers); connectivity (coherence and flow of main ideas with supportive illustrative, detail, part introductions, transitional phrases), mechanics (sentences and paragraphs as units of thought; vocabulary that conveys meaning) and author voice/persona (direct communication with readers about the project and its process).

3 CR
Open to: Majors only.

PGTE 5300 THESIS STUDIO 1
The thesis is the systematic study of a design question. It requires students to identify an idea and area of study, research its major assumptions and precedents, explain the significance of the undertaking, set forth the process and method for proposing solutions, create prototypes, and offer a conclusion through the production of a body of work. The finished project (product) evidences originality and experimentation, critical and independent thinking, appropriate organization and format, and thorough documentation. The Thesis Project can take many forms, from an animation or software tool, to an installation, database, or social experiment, and demonstrates the application of ideas within an applied context, whether it be design, art, commerce, or theory. Thesis studios will meet for six hours weekly.

6 CR
Open to: Majors only.

PGTE 5902 EQUIVALENCY
Please see department for approval.

1 to 12 CR

ELECTIVES

PGTE 5009 VISION AND SOUND WITH MAX
Cycling 74's Max/MSP/Jitter programming environment is a powerful tool for real-time multimedia application and development. This class will provide a basic-to-intermediate understanding of application development in Max/MSP/Jitter, touching on such topics on the way as: MIDI communication, interface design, performance strategies, installation considerations, the basics of digital sound synthesis, structure and programming of Quicktime, openGL and more.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.
**PGTE 5043 DESIGNING FOR USABILITY**
Have you noticed how often people lock their car doors when they are in fact trying to roll down their windows, that most folks can’t program their cellular phone to speed dial their own voice mail, and that people in our department never seem to know in advance if an elevator is going up or down. Why is that? User error? Poor design? Hangovers? This course explores the potential disconnect between user experience and designer intent. It investigates various means of preventing regrettable mishaps with everyday design through analysis of potential users, possible testing methods, and various means of analyzing test results. Along the way, the class will explore some historically horrible designs, as well as learn to throw around expensive sounding words like “usability,” and “heuristics.”

*3 CR*
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PGTE 5067 SETPIXEL: COMPUTER VISION**
Description forthcoming.

*3 CR*

**PGTE 5071 MOTION GRAPHICS CONCEPTS**
This course introduces students to the fundamentals of motion design, including type in cinematic space, editing, animation, sound and compositing. Through hands-on exercises, students will explore various techniques, including story-boarding, cinematography, typography, the effects of sound, layering and compositing. Numerous tools are used, both analog and digital. It is suggested that students take this class in conjunction with Motion Graphics 1.

*3 CR*
Open to: Non-Majors with permission of department.

**PGTE 5085 PHYSICAL COMPUTING**
The physical and the digital are often thought of as distinct and disparate. This class will be an investigation into notions of physicality and interface with respect to the computer, and an exploration of related analog and digital technology. Students will complete a series of exercises that will encourage inquiry into these various technologies and the implications of a connection between or joining of physical and digital worlds. The Handy Board and various sensor mechanisms will be used in conjunction with programming languages such as Lingo and/or Java. Students joining this class should be comfortable with code in general, have experience with one programming language or another, and be prepared to solder.

*3 CR*
Open to:

**PGTE 5156 VISUAL DESIGN CONCEPTS**
Design Process is a course dedicated to the connections between visual communication (image, type, motion, sound), digital media and methods of making. The course focuses on the principles of visual communication and the ways they can be applied within digital media, whether the work is narrative, interactive, or computation-based. As a course in design process, there will be an emphasis on different methods for working, including concept development through iteration. We will cover fundamental principles of visual design including composition, color, typography, layout, style, tools and materials, organizing information, type as form, word and communication. This is
not a software-specific class, but students are expected to develop projects through applications or programming languages of their choice.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with Departmental approval

PGTE 5500 GAME DESIGN 1
This class is for students who are interested in game design and the creation of interactive experiences. The class focuses on game development — computer games and other types of games — through structured game design problems, exercises, lectures, and reading. The emphasis will be on an iterative design methodology, playtesting, user experience, and clear concept development. The goal of the class is to explore how design systems (in this case, games) support interactivity through meaningful play. This class focuses on the design of games and playful experiences, and will not focus on specific game programming techniques.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

PGTE 5501 GAME DESIGN 2
> This course builds on the foundation of Game Design I to introduce students to post-prototyping game design and digital game design. Student projects are exclusively digital in this course. Students continue the game analysis, reading, and project-based assignments of the previous course, but focus now on level tuning, mechanic refinement, and alpha builds. Topics include: deeper study of strategic choice and core mechanics; prototyping in a digital environment; introduction to level design; feedback systems and other emergent patterns; using testing in a design process; game interface design; and digital game production process and documentation. All assignments are small-team-based (2 to 3 students, depending on class size), digital and include: designing a digital prototype of a game that is a variant on a traditional mechanic; building a suite of levels for a pre-existing game that explore a specific theme; and writing a design document that expands a prototype mechanic into a full game. The final assignment is to build out a digital prototype into a simple alpha, concentrating on fleshing out the game design features.

3 CR
Prerequisite(s): Game Design 1 or equivalent experience with instructor's permission.
Open to: Non-majors with permission.
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PGTE 5900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Please see the department for course description and approval.
1 to 6 CR

PGTE 5901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Please see department for course description and approval.
0.5 to 2 CR
FINE ARTS, MFA

REQUIRED COURSES

PGFA 5005 GRADUATE CORE 1: STUDIO
This course, divided into studio visits and group critique, is a central element of the MFA experience at Parsons. Its goal is to strengthen students' understanding of their own work and how it relates to the broad range of techniques, forms and ideas that comprise contemporary art. Students are immersed in a lived experience of the world of art through dialogue with actively engaged makers of contemporary culture. Each week, students will experience one-on-one contact with several professors, visiting artists and critics. Regular meetings with faculty in the student's chosen field and meetings with faculty from other disciplines are an intrinsic and necessary aspect of the program. The focus of the studio visits will be on students' personal vision and development as self-reflexive, critically engaged artists.
6 CR

PGFA 5006 GRADUATE CORE 1: CRITIQUE
Group critiques are small-scale forums in which student work is presented publicly and commented on by faculty and peers. Groups of ten to twelve students working with one faculty member will be re-constituted every four weeks. Sessions will focus on collective analysis of student work and its relationship to contemporary cultural debates and trends. Students are encouraged to work towards defining a series of philosophical positions as they reflect upon on their own work and that of their peers. Faculty will introduce readings, topics for discussion, and strategies for catalyzing interaction among group members.
1.5 CR

PGFA 5010 TRANSDISCIPLINARY GRADUATE SEMINAR
THEME: Interdisciplinarity
This seminar is a forum for students to explore interdisciplinary arts practices from a range of critical perspectives. Interdisciplinarity will be considered in relation to conceptually-based art practices involving multiple forms and genres, artists that engage with social systems, and collaborations among artists, humanists, social scientists and physical scientists. The seminar will consist of bi-weekly guest lectures featuring artists, historians, media theorists, and curators who will share their research with students. These lectures will be followed by discussion led by Fine Arts faculty allowing students opportunities for extended reflection on the lectures and complimentary readings. Students will be expected to write brief thought papers in response to lectures and complete weekly reading assignments.

The thematic focus of this seminar will change each semester.
3 CR

PGFA 5011 GRADUATE SEMINAR 1
The seminar for first year students is meant to expose students to a variety of significant discourses in twentieth-century and twenty-first century art. These include the discourses of modernism, postmodernism, feminism, colonialism and issues of racial representation; commodity culture, including ideas about collecting; technology and the digital revolution. The
goal is to get an overview of ideas about art in the twentieth century entering into the twenty-first century: art as form, art as, theory, art as non-art, art as life, art as politics, art as concept, art as simulacrum. The seminar work is interspersed with studio visits or informal critiques so that the link between the realm of ideas and of history and studio work is maintained, clarified, and encouraged.

3 CR
Open to: Majors only

PGFA 5013 GRADUATE SEMINAR 3
The seminar for second year students prepares the student to write an MFA Thesis. Through frequent short writing assignments that rehearse the questions of the thesis, readings of artists' writings, and exploration of other writings relevant to the students' work, graduate students in painting and sculpture learn to write about their own artwork and develop writing, as a professional tool in their lives as artists. This course encourages the use of writing as an arena for the development of thought through a process of clarification of ideas. The purpose of the MFA Thesis is to provide a site for a process of self-investigation that can be beneficial for studio work as well as for a professional life after school.

3 CR
Open to: Majors only

PGFA 5015 GRADUATE CORE 3: STUDIO
This course, divided into studio visits and group critique, is a central element of the MFA experience at Parsons. Its goal is to strengthen students' understanding of their own work and how it relates to the broad range of techniques, forms and ideas that comprise contemporary art. Students are immersed in a lived experience of the world of art through dialogue with actively engaged makers of contemporary culture. Each week, students will experience one-on-one contact with several professors, visiting artists and critics. Regular meetings with faculty in the student's chosen field and meetings with faculty from other disciplines are an intrinsic and necessary aspect of the program. The focus of the studio visits will be on students' personal vision and development as self-reflexive, critically engaged artists.

In the second year of the program, students will select a thesis advisor from among the faculty, who will mentor them as they prepare for their thesis exhibition and write their MFA thesis.

6 CR

PGFA 5016 GRADUATE CORE 3: CRITIQUE
Group critiques are small-scale forums in which student work is presented publicly and commented on by faculty and peers. Groups of ten to twelve students working with one faculty member will be re-constituted every four weeks. Sessions will focus on collective analysis of student work and its relationship to contemporary cultural debates and trends. Students are encouraged to work towards defining a series of philosophical positions as they reflect upon on their own work and that of their peers. Faculty will introduce readings, topics for discussion, and strategies for catalyzing interaction among group members.

1.5 CR

PGFA 5020 VISITING ARTIST LECTURE SERIES
The Fine Arts Program’s weekly lecture series features prominent artists and critics who discuss their current practices in relationship to larger trends in contemporary culture. Students have the opportunity to learn about a wide range of artistic practices through post-lecture dialogue with the visitors.

**1.5 CR**

**Open to:** Majors by registration. Lectures are open to all students and the public.

**PGFA 5900 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
Please see Fine Arts Department for approval.

**1 to 3 CR**

**PGFA 5902 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Please see Fine Arts Department for approval.

**1 to 3 CR**
PHOTOGRAPHY, MFA

FIRST YEAR

PGPH 5003 INDEPENDENT STUDIO 1
Building on work begun during summer residency, students will work with their advisor to define a self-directed project. Students are expected to maintain regular contact with their graduate advisor. The semester of independent studio work culminates in a weeklong residency in January during which group and individual critiques are conducted.

3 or 6 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None.
Open to: Majors only.

PGPH 5008 PHOTO TOPICS
Description forthcoming.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None.
Open to: Majors only.

SECOND YEAR

PGPH 5110 INDEPENDENT STUDIO 3
Building on work begun during summer residency, students will work with their advisor to define a self-directed project. Students are expected to maintain bi-weekly contact with their graduate advisor utilizing the University portal environment. The semester of independent studio work culminates in a weeklong residency in January during which group and individual critiques are conducted.

3 or 6 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PGPH 5006 Independent Studio 2.
Open to: Majors only.

PGPH 5301 THESIS AND EXHIBITION 1
Part I of this three course sequence serves to introduce and initiate the thesis process. MFA candidates will undertake case studies and individualized research projects. Case studies focus on the artist/photographers process from inception to development to production and exhibition. Individualized research projects will explore both the visual and critical as they relate to the students work and interests. Students will research and consider related works and the critical thought that surrounds them. The result will be a comprehensive collection of raw data that will form the foundation on which the thesis will be built.

2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PGPH 5101 Major Studio 2.
Open to: Majors only.

ELECTIVE COURSES

PGPH 5205 SPECIAL ELECTIVE
Special Elective is arranged when a student and professor agree to work together outside of class for a semester. To register for a Special Elective, a student must prepare a plan of study, fill out the Contract for Independent Study/Special Elective form and have the plan of study approved by a supervising professor. The contract must detail the work the student will complete during the semester. Please see Department for additional details.

1 to 3 CR
Open to: Majors only, by permission.

PGPH 5900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Independent Study is arranged when a student and professor agree to work together outside of class for a semester. To register for an Independent Study, a student must prepare a plan of study, fill out the Contract for Independent Study/Special Elective form and have the plan of study approved by a supervising professor. The contract must detail the work the student will complete during the semester. Please see Department for additional details.

0.5 to 3 CR
Open to: Majors only, by permission.

PGPH 5901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Work in a commercial photo studio, an artist's studio, the photography department of a magazine or for the photography department of a museum under the supervision of established photographers and editors. Students are responsible for finding an internship using the resources of the Photography Department and Parsons Career Services Office. Students must obtain a Work/Learn Agreement contract and have the supervisor fill it out. Students must work for a minimum of 90 hours during the semester (which equals around 7 hours per week for 13 weeks) and they must also write a one-page report detailing what they have learned during the internship. At the end of the internship, the employer must evaluate job performance by filling out the Employer Evaluation form. Please see Department for additional details.

1 or 3 CR
Open to: Majors only, by permission.
DIGITAL DESIGN, ELECTIVE
Open to all Parsons students. Please see the School of Art, Media and Technology for more information.

TIER ONE: INTRODUCTORY COMPUTING
Pre-requisite(s): None.

PUDD 1015 GAMES 101
Introduction to the development of games in digital and analog media. Emphasis is on an iterative design methodology, playtesting, user experience, and clear concept development.
3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission.

PUDD 2005 CG MODELING 1
3D is playing an increasingly large role in all areas of digital production. This is an introduction to 3D modeling and animation using Maya software. Emphasis is on getting a solid understanding of the basic concepts underlying all 3D software, and how to apply these concepts to create quality images and assets. Several approaches to building models are covered, as well as shaders, lighting, and cameras. Basic animation techniques will also be covered, but modeling is the primary emphasis. Additionally, we will cover how 3D assets and images can be integrated with other production software in a variety of media.
3 CR
Primary software used: Maya.

PUDD 2020 AUDIO/VISUAL
Audio/video 1 is a hands-on introduction to digital video and audio technologies, as well as, a workshop for understanding the design issues involved with time-based media. Students will produce, shoot and edit their own videos on a regular basis. Readings cover both the technical and historical aspects of digital film and video. Weekly in-class screenings are focused on helping students understand the dimensions of establishing a visual language across time. Participants are expected to be actively engaged in weekly critiques.
3 CR
Primary software used: Final Cut Pro.
Note: Students are required to have a Digital Video Camera to take this class.

PUDD 2028 WEB DESIGN 1
This is perhaps the most important and useful class a student can take within Digital Design. To do business in the 21st century, all designers should have a basic understanding of how a web page is constructed for self-promotion, communication, and confidence with the increasing presence of the web in all of the design disciplines. HTML, interactivity, information architecture and navigational structures will be explored, as well as usability and web design strategies. Projects will include the completion of a portfolio web site.
3 CR
Primary software used: HTML, Flash.

PUDD 2042 ANIMATION: STORYBOARDING
The course will provide an introduction to the storyboard as an essential phase in the development of visual narrative of film, broadcast, and interactive work. This course is designed for students interested in motion media (including animation, digital filmmaking, and advertising).

3 CR

PUDD 2080 DIGITAL IMAGING
Students will learn how to use Photoshop to composite images. Topics to be addressed include making good quality scans and prints. There are in-class exercises designed to show various aspects of the software package. Homework assignments give students the opportunity for personal and creative development. Students will learn how Photoshop interacts with other programs like Quark and Illustrator and also how to prep images for the Web. This course is a pre-requisite for all Tier II computer graphics courses.

3 CR
Primary software used: Adobe Photoshop.

PUDD 2104 SOUND DESIGN 1
This course is an introduction to basics of non-linear audio production techniques and the necessary tools for recording voice, effects, and music. With Pro-Tools as the primary software, the students learn to edit and mix final sound for animation.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors.

PUDD 2510 ANIMATION: FOUNDATION
This is a basic course in cel animation. Storyboarding, layout, key framing, in-betweening are the main concepts taught. Animating characters with a basic knowledge of timing, stretch and squash, anticipation, easing in and out, overlapping action, secondary action, exaggeration and the walk cycle are explored. Animation tests are recorded on a video camera stand for quick feedback. The semester culminates in the production of simple pencil test animations. This course is a pre-requisite for further Animation Sequence electives.

3 CR

PUDD 2520 ANIMATION: DRAWING
This is a straight drawing studio that re-enforces the study of motion in the Character Studio. Students draw from the model, study and analyze the effects of gravity and weight in motion. This course is a pre-requisite for further Animation Sequence electives.

3 CR

TIER TWO: INTERMEDIATE COMPUTING
All of the following courses have pre-requisites. Students must have earned a grade of “C” or better in the pre-requisite course, or equivalent experience, to enroll in one of these courses.

PUDD 2006 CG MODELING 2
This course introduces methods and techniques for modeling realistic human or anthropomorphic characters for use in gaming and entertainment. This is an advanced course for students interested in polygonal and sub-division modeling and optimization for specific applications. The
premise of the course is that if a student can model a human being, he or she will be able to model anything.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDD 2005 CG MODELING 1.

PUDD 2511 ANIMATION: CHARACTER
Essentially a drawing and character design studio. Drawing from live models informs the student about the distinctions of character creation. Students work up a back story and a full character bible one or more characters. Rigorous attention is placed on story research and concept development and writing; character as it relates to body positioning and attitude; acting for animation; storyboarding effectively for camera and composition; studying animation drawing styles and rendering techniques.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDD 2510 Cel Animation, PUDD 2520 Motion Drawing, PUDD 2500 Animation Form & Style, PUDD 3140 Digital Motion 1.

PUDD 3070 EXPERIMENTAL VIDEO
In this class, students will learn how to work with video to mine its innate attributes: image, motion, sound and time. Throughout the semester students will be introduced to challenging videos made by artists from the 1970's to the present as well as reading on the nature of video and art. Projects will concentrate on the students' creative impulse as they bring their ideas to bear using the medium of digital video. This class is ideal for students who have an interest in video as a fine art medium or students who wish to explore ideas without the constraints of a commercial purpose.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDD 2020 Digital Audio & Video.
Primary software used: Final Cut Pro, Adobe AfterEffects, Sound Edit.

PUDD 3110 WEB MEDIA 1
This course introduces Flash as the primary web design tool. The class workshops will cover the mechanics of image preparation, the simple construction of a web page, the incorporation of bitmap and vector graphics and sounds, animation techniques, cinematic effects, and interactivity. Students design and implement a web site. Focus is on the creative and artistic use of this particular program.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDD 2028 Intro to Web Design.
Primary software used: HTML, Flash.

PUDD 3116 WEB MEDIA 2
Flash Actionscript is the heart of Flash for advanced interactivity. This class will explore hands-on production techniques for incorporating Actionscript into websites, games, applications and more. Students will learn how to approach their project programmatically, how to construct their code from the beginning (Students will be required to type in every single code: No drag & drop allowed!) and how to debug / optimize their code with every project.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDD 3110 Flash.
Primary software used: HTML, Flash.
**PUDD 3140 MOTION GRAPHICS 1**
This basic yet intensive course explores the fundamental of time-based graphic and sound design, with particular emphasis on typography, image, and narrative sequence. Students are challenged to develop concise yet powerful presentations, literal or abstract ideas, and move step-by-step through the development process, from storyboard to final rendering.

*3 CR*

Open to: Non-majors with permission.

**PUDD 3141 MOTION GRAPHICS 2**
Digital Motion 2 uses Adobe After Effects as a portal through which students enter the world of motion graphics and visual effects. Designed for students who have completed Digital Motion 1, Digital Motion starts with the basics of After Effects and helps students build precision, control and fluency of expression within time based digital environments. Students will gain a solid foundation of motion graphics and effects techniques that will support their creativity and enhance their digital skill-set. Complementary relationships between commercial and fine arts work will also be explored.

*3 CR*

**Pre-requisite(s):** A grade of “C” (“B” for graduate students) or better in PUDD 3140 Digital Motion 1.

**Primary software used:** Adobe After Effects.

**PUDD 3150 WEB DESIGN 2**
This course explores the variety of media found on the web. The in-class workshops will cover the mechanics of multimedia preparation and an assortment of potential uses. Students design and implement a given project as a web site. Focus is on the creative use of web-based applications and scripting languages.

*3 CR*

**Pre-requisite:** PUDD 2028 or equivalent
**Primary Software Used:** HTML, Flash, JavaScript

Open to: Non-Majors

**PUDD 3600: CG DYNAMICS**
Students will learn the dynamic anatomies of a variety of different effect families: explosions, chemical reactions, flocking animals, complex morphing, electrical and meteorological phenomena, glows, magical effects, dust, tomatoes and more. Students will build the effects from scratch and then identify, refine and control the most essential aesthetic parameters. Topics include: particle render types, emitter types, fields, goals, collision detection, the instancer, springs, paint effects, hard/soft bodies, deformer interaction, shader networks, glows, software/hardware render compositing, mental ray, and lighting.

*3 CR*

**Primary Software Platform:** Maya, MEL scripting
**Prerequisite(s):** CG Modeling 1
**Open to:** Non-majors with permission.

**PUDD 3611 DATABASES:**
This course is for anyone who is interested in creating databases or data-driven web sites. Students will be given an introduction to database creation and design, and will explore the issues behind well designed data driven projects. The course will include a survey of several database products and middleware languages, including ColdFusion, ASP, Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, PHP, and MySQL.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDD 3150 Advanced Web Design (or demonstrable knowledge of basic HTML and JavaScript).
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

PUDD 3611 DATABASES:
The next generation of internet experiences is born. The days of tedious HTML form based applications will soon be eclipsed by more user-centric, responsive, real-time implementations of online applications that feel more like software and less like web pages. The course will examine how to design and develop database driven internet functionality with Flash MX and ColdFusion. Possibilities are endless for students interested in game design, telepresence, data visualization, collaborative environments, experimental net art, commerce, interactive narrative, or those simply interested in integrating user functionality into their major studio or thesis projects.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): Fundamental skills in basic web design, the Flash application, basic ActionScript and working with a server.
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

PUDD 4100 MOTION GRAPHICS 3
Using Visual Effects and Motion Graphics, this is an advanced course that examines complex multiple layer visual effects for live action, animation and motion graphics.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): A grade of "B" ("C" for undergraduate students) or better in PUDD 3141 Motion Graphics 2.

PUDD 4151 MOTION GRAPHICS STUDIO
Description forthcoming.

3 CR

PUDD 4550 COLLAB
Collaboration Studios are a unique type of studio course within the CDT curriculum, pairing teams students with industry partners to undertake real-world projects. Many of the collaboration studios are dedicated to applied design research areas at The New School with cross-disciplinary teams formed from the various design disciplines at Parsons.

3 CR

PUDD 2007 CG LIGHTING
Focusing on tools and methodologies for creating complex imagery for animation and visual effects, this is a high-level course in Maya. Topics will include particles and fields, dynamics, complex shading networks for unique rendering situations, fur, cloth, and a basic introduction to MEL (other topics may be added depending on students needs/interests). Topics will be explored
through demonstrations and lab time in class. An emphasis will be placed on "under the hood" experimentation through custom expressions and other procedural techniques.

3 CR.

Prerequisite(s): PUDD 2005 CG Modeling 1 or CG Character 1

**PUDD 4600 CURRENTS: ANIMATION FOR GAMES**
Learn how to design Characters, User Interfaces, Heads-up Displays and In-Game Messaging, and how to make these game design elements move in meaningful ways. The format will be lecture, assignment, critique. This class is best suited for Designers, Illustrators, Animators and Programmers who are interested in games. A working knowledge of Flash is required.

3 CR

Open to: Non-majors with permission.

**TIER THREE: ADVANCED COMPUTING COURSES**
Priority, in the following courses, is given to Communication Design & Technology majors. Students from other departments must get permission to register from an advisor in the Communication Design and Technology Department. To follow is a sample of courses offered; for a complete listing, please see the MFA Design & Technology section of this booklet.

**PGTE 5043 DESIGNING FOR USABILITY, 3 CR**
**PGTE 5066 CODE FOR ART, 3 CR**
PRINTMAKING, ELECTIVE

PUPR 2000 INTRODUCTION TO PRINTMAKING
This course is designed to give students a first exposure to the studio and to the exploration of printmaking. Through personal instruction and demonstrations, students will learn how to use woodcut tools and the print by hand method, apply a hard ground to a zinc plate and etch it and draw and produce a lithograph. There will be a visit to the Museum of Modern Art's print department. The class is open to beginning and advanced students.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None.

PUPR 2020 ETCHING
In this class students will learn three basic techniques of etching a zinc plate: hard ground, soft ground, and aquatint as well as how to print with consistency and controlled variation. The objective for both beginning and advanced students is to provide them with a vocabulary of techniques, to free students to explore the infinite possibilities of expression; from a three-dimensional textured surface to a flat minimal approach. There will be demonstrations in roll-up viscosity, Chine-collé and color printing. There will be a visit by either an artist or professional etcher. The class is open to beginning and advanced students.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None

PUPR 2025 PHOTO ETCHING
Description forthcoming.
2 CR

PUPR 2030 SCREENPRINT
In this course students learn reduction printing, hand painted acetate stencils, to mix inks and several different printing and registering techniques. The materials used are water soluble and non-toxic. Techniques learned in this class are applicable to many projects expected of students in all major studio areas. Screen-printing runs the gamut from hand made and photographic images to personal abstract statements and can be printed on many different surfaces. The class is open to beginning and advanced students.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None.

PUPR 2040 SCREENPRINT AND THE COMPUTER
This course will expose the students to pre-press skills that utilize cutting-edge computer and silkscreen printing techniques. It will also serve to broaden the use of these applications by encouraging students to work and rework their images with the computer. Today we have access to digital technology that allows combinations of imagery and color hitherto unheard of. These technologies are naturally complementary to the silkscreen printing process as well as being economically expedient. From a variety of sources, such as scanned full-color images (of paintings, photographs, etc.), captured video stills and/or digitally rendered graphics, high quality, four-color separations can be generated. Images are screen-printed using transparent water-base inks in process colors.
PUPR 2060 DIGITAL SCREENPRINT
Pre-requisite(s): None.
Description forthcoming.
2 CR

PUPR 2090 PRINTMAKING 1
Pre-requisite(s): None.
Description forthcoming.
2 CR

PUPR 2101 RELIEF PRINTMAKING: INTEGRATED
This course provides a hands-on experience in woodcut, linoleum cut, and type-setting for beginning and intermediate printmaking students. It introduces the techniques and the applications of relief printmaking. Students carve wood and linoleum blocks from which they print color images. These images can be combined with lead and wooden type and printed on an automated letterpress. Using woodcut, linoleum cut and typesetting, this class will explore printmaking, book arts, and letterpress principles and process. It is structured so that ideas and demonstrations will be applied to group and individual assignments.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None.

PUPR 2133 FASHION SCREEN PRINT
This course opens up opportunities for students to research, design and screen-print Fashion Apparel and to incorporate place printing as a component in planning interdisciplinary projects. Students use cutting edge digital printing techniques to print motifs on their fashion designs and embellish articles of clothing (T-shirts, scarves, canvas bags etc) and work in a group setting to expand the options of color imagery on different materials with a water-based color system. This course is appropriate for all students who want to pursue the exciting art of screen-printing and learn an understanding of how it cross-sects as art and as adornment for functional items. Beginning screen-printers are welcome.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): None.
PAID 1000 3D STUDIO MAX
This course provides an introduction to 3ds Max, a three-dimensional model making computer program on the Windows Platform. Modeling techniques, rendering and basic flythroughs are covered. The students’ final presentations will be printed from Photoshop.
2 CR

PAID 1020 ID STUDIO 1
This studio is an introduction to developing design concepts, space planning, visualization of layouts and furniture arrangement. Students will learn the design process, from information gathering, client concerns, space measurements, to material considerations and layout. Sociological, physiological and psychological aspects of design are considered.
4 CR
Pre- or Co-requisite(s): PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D and PAID 1211 Drawing for Interiors 1: 3D.

PAID 1021 ID STUDIO 2
This studio continues to address the issues outlined in ID Studio 1 with more complex programs. Problems of space, function, aesthetics, materials, lighting, and building codes are discussed. Projects will address real-life design problems. 3ds max will be introduced. Students will use the computer model building software to better understand the impact of their design decisions.
6 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAID 1020 ID Studio 1, PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D, and PAID 1211 Drawing for Interiors 1: 3D.

PAID 1022 ID STUDIO 3
The goal of this studio is to reach beyond the rudimentary understanding of interiors by analyzing, evaluating and investigating the components that comprise interior space. The focus will be on thinking creatively and the need to articulate design ideas. The projects vary in scale (ex: hotel, spa, or multi-use project) working with a sequence of spaces to design with a variety of program requirements.
4 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAID 1020 ID Studio 1, PAID 1021 ID Studio 2, PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D.
PAID 1024 DESIGN ANALYSIS:
Design Analysis provides students with an opportunity to study, in theory and practice, the following areas of design:

DISPLAY
The objective of this course is to provide an introduction to Visual Display focusing on Process and Product. Research and analysis of historical and practical real-world examples will form the foundation for the study and application to the design of interior space and the display of objects. 2 CR

PAID 1028 ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN
This course addresses the principles, process and practice to environmental design, at the interior design scale. It looks at the links between environmental and formal design, and the effect of that developing connection on the future of design theory and practice. It does this through lectures, exams, studio work, and site visits.
2 CR

PAID 1030 DRAWING FOR INTERIORS 1: 2D
Students will learn the drafting fundamentals (plan, elevation and section) required for the interior designer. AutoCAD 1 is covered is in this course. Presentation software will be introduced with lectures in the basics of InDesign and Photoshop.
4 CR

PAID 1031 DRAWING FOR INTERIORS 2
This course strengthens the students’ understanding of presentation techniques, focusing on perspective and color rendering. Students will render with colored pencils and watercolors.
2 CR

PAID 1035 VISUAL REPRESENTATION: DECORATION
This course is an introduction to freehand drawing skills. Successful projects in Interior Decoration will be the subject. Students will develop freehand one and two point perspectives in graphite, pen and colored pencils. The second half of the semester will concentrate on color rendering to establish form, space, texture and light in the perspectives. Each student will be assigned a decorator to study/analyze in depth through drawing. The semester will conclude with presentations of these analyses.
2 CR

PAID 1040 INTERIOR DESIGN HISTORY 1
This course will trace the history of interior design from the middle ages to the Victorian age in England. The objective will be to summarize the major trends and to include many different interiors ranging from the English country house style, and America’s Greek revival rooms, to public buildings. The course will also focus on the ways in which classical and medieval ideals, as well as the passion for oriental designs, have been constantly reinvigorated and reinterpreted.
3 CR

PAID 1041 INTERIOR DESIGN HISTORY 2
This course traces the history of interior design from the Victorian age in America to the present, summarizing the major trends and revivals. The course will cover the Arts and Crafts Movement, the impact of Art Deco, Postmodernism and today's designers; including William Morris, Charles Renné Mackintosh, Victor Horta, Frank Lloyd Wright, David Hicks, Colefax and Fowler, Michael Graves etc.

**3 CR**

**PAID 1050 PRINCIPLES OF INTERIOR DESIGN**
This course introduces fundamental principles of interior design composition: the organization of space, circulation, scale, light, and color. Historical methods will be discussed. Projects will include an analysis of both a historical and contemporary interior.

**2 CR**

**Pre- or Co-requisite(s):** PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D and PAID 1211 Drawing for Interiors 1: 3D.

**PAID 1060 MATERIALS & FINISHES 1**
This course introduces the numerous “hard materials” available to designers that can enhance the overall design of a space. Hard materials such as stone, wood, metal, tile, synthetics and glass will be respectively presented for its quality, function, applicable use, alternative uses, technical properties, and installation methods.

**2 CR**

**PAID 1070 CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS**
Construction documents are the legal instruments of the interior design profession. They are the means through which design professionals communicate design intent to the contractors and vendors who build and furnish the spaces they conceive. In this course students will review and discuss standards of practice to develop a complete set of construction documents for an interior space. Emphasis will be on organizing and producing professional quality graphic documentation of an interior project.

**2 CR**

**Pre-requisite(s):** PAID 1010 AutoCAD 1 or PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D.

**PAID 1080 ID DIGITAL PRESENTATION**
This course focuses on graphic design. Students will be introduced to some fundamentals of graphic design through exercises on form, page layout, grids, typography, and paper. Additional exercises will be given in large formatted presentation layouts, titleblocks, and type solutions for business cards and stationery. The instructor will demonstrate some of the basics of the layout software programs of InDesign and Photoshop. The work in this class is done on a Windows platform.

**2 CR**

**PAID 1095 CONTEMPORARY ID THEORY**
This seminar examines some of the theoretical and practical issues in interior design from the 1960’s to the present. The class investigates the major transformations of interior design both through theoretical writings and specific built examples. While the seminar mainly focuses on issues since the 1960’s, a number of earlier texts and built examples will be briefly revisited in order to provide a context for the understanding of contemporary situations.
3 CR

**PAID 1200 LIGHTING**
This is an introductory course that provides a basic understanding of lighting design, the design criteria and calculations.

2 CR
**Co- or Pre-requisite(s):** PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors: 2D.

**PAID 1201 ID PORTFOLIO**
Students will develop their graphic design skills as they design and produce their Interior Design Portfolio.

2 CR
**Pre-requisite(s):** PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D and PAID 1020 ID Studio 1.
**Primary software used:** InDesign and Photoshop.

**PAID 1211 DRAWING FOR INTERIORS 1: 3D**
This course will introduce students to axonometric and mechanical perspective drawing. One and two point perspective will be covered. Students will learn basic color rendering techniques.

2 CR
**Co-requisite(s):** PAID 1030 Drawing for Interiors 1: 2D.

**PAID 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Please see department for approval.

1 to 4 CR

**PAID 3901 INTERNSHIP**
Please see department for approval.

1 to 2 CR

*Interior Design* students may take the following General Studio courses as electives. See the AAS General Studio section for the following descriptions:

- **PAGS 1001 DRAWING, 2 CR**
- **PAGS 1021 COLOR THEORY, 2 CR**
ARCHITECTURE, BFA

Required courses are open to all Architecture, Interior Design and Lighting Design Department students as an elective with permission of the Program Director and Instructor.

SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUAD 2001 DESIGN STUDIO 1
The first semester sophomore design studio explores issues pertinent to both architecture and interior design. In order to help students develop an understanding of how these disciplines accommodate human experience, the interior and formal qualities of space are explored through the integration of program, materials, tectonics, and light. Problems address increasing levels of complexity and scale, from the individual to the communal.
5 CR

PUAD 2014 ELEMENTS OF SPACE, TECTONICS & SURFACE: LECTURE, 0 CR
PUAD 2013 ELEMENTS OF SPACE, TECTONICS & SURFACE: RECITATION, 3 CR
Using digital media as a tool, this course provides a comprehensive introduction to the formal vocabulary of interior design and architecture, from solids and voids, to structure and detailing, interiors and exteriors. Introducing widely employed media software, including Form Z and 3D Studio Max, students critically examine the phenomenon of how design is represented by means of digital technology on Mac and PC platforms.
3 CR

PUAD 2021 REPRESENTATION & ANALYSIS 1
This class is designed to teach students how to communicate their ideas through drawings, models, and the digital media. Coordinated with the Sophomore Design Studio, this class will teach students how to effectively represent their design intentions. In addition students will be introduced to the analytical process which will develop their ability to observe, record, and abstract principles of organization, composition, and iconography.
3 CR

Please see the Art & Design History & Theory section of this booklet for the following course description:

PLAH 2324 HISTORY OF WORLD ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN 1 LEC, 0 CR
PLAH 2325 HISTORY OF WORLD ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN 1 REC, 3 CR

JUNIOR YEAR

PUAD 3001 DESIGN STUDIO 3
The overarching theme of this semester’s studio is that of architecture’s relationship to an extended contextual field -conventionally termed landscape. Although more typically understood as the “natural” condition on which an architectural intervention is imposed, this studio is predicated on an understanding of the mutuality of natural, technological, and cultural systems in the production of landscape. The student will utilize a variety of representational media, digital and analog, to interrogate architecture’s position within this dynamic interplay of biotic,
infrastructural, and social conditions, and the ways in which it operates in complicity with other discursive and technical systems to construct our perceptions of the natural realm.

6 CR

**PUAD 3030 ARCHITECTURE AND ENERGY** (Lecture)
**PUAD 3031 ARCHITECTURE AND ENERGY** (Recitation)
This course introduces environmental principles and approaches to ecological design. The class will prepare students to understand the physical world: how elements in the built environment interact to modify both space and climate. The course covers several topics including how building orientation, massing and material assemblies can be used to create comfortable human habitation. Other topics include: climate and microclimate as context, site and solar analysis, solar geometry, energy transfer in buildings and bodies, thermal properties of materials, storing and moving heat, heat flow through materials and assemblies, air flow, infiltration and heat loss, moisture and vapor control, the balance point, daylighting, and passive heating and cooling design. The class will include discrete exercises, examinations and assignments and is coordinated with Design Studio. Visually engaging, hands on experiments will introduce students to physical laws and their related formulas. The material will be presented to provoke design issues and to provide an understanding of the architectural integration of environmental conscious design strategies. The subject matter deals with the scientific and technical while always relating actions to concepts of beauty and form.

3 CR

**PUAD 3032 NATURE, CULTURE AND DESIGN**
This course explores the relationships of Nature, Culture, and Design. We will investigate personal and ethnic identity, cultural change, and ecological disruption in the context of the design traditions of divergent cultures. We will also investigate design responses to current cultural problems (including students’ own) that face designers today. We will use as a group contextual example the proposed center for West Harlem Environmental Action. WE ACT is a New York City non-profit organization working to improve environmental quality and to secure environmental justice in predominately African-American and Latino communities.

3 CR

**PUAD 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
By special permission of Director of BFA program only.

1 to 3 CR

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUAD 4001 DESIGN STUDIO 5**
This studio explores the current, historical and conceptual, understanding of landscape and how it can inform and enrich the design process. Topography and ecology are combined to develop a new notion of land and built form. Students utilize a variety of representational media to investigate and synthesize complex systems involved in the interrelationships of the environment. Students are also asked to examine how program development informs the future social, cultural as well as physical disposition of architectural space. The studio emphasizes the individual student’s employed methodologies and development of critical comprehension in their design process.
6 CR

**PUAD 4021 PORTFOLIO PREPARATION**
This course is based on the ongoing tutorial review of the students’ own portfolios by the faculty. It also includes presentations on the graphic organization of portfolios, commercial reproduction techniques, lighting and photographing models. Students are expected to take this course during either the fall or spring semester.

1 CR

**PUAD 4910 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
Please see department for approval.

0.5 to 6 CR
INTERIOR DESIGN, BFA

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SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUID 2000 DESIGN STUDIO 1
The first semester sophomore design studio explores issues pertinent to both architecture and interior design. In order to help students develop an understanding of how these disciplines accommodate human experience, the interior and formal qualities of space are explored through the integration of program, materials, tectonics, and light. Problems address increasing levels of complexity and scale, from the individual to the communal.
5 CR

PUID 2050 ELEMENTS OF SPACE, TECTONICS AND SURFACE
Using digital media as a tool, this course provides a comprehensive introduction to the formal vocabulary of interior design and architecture, from solids and voids, to structure and detailing, interiors and exteriors. Introducing widely employed media software, including Form Z and 3D Studio Max, students critically examine the phenomenon of how design is represented by means of digital technology on Mac and PC platforms.
3 CR

PUID 2055 REPRESENTATION & ANALYSIS 1
This class is designed to teach students how to communicate their ideas through drawings, models, and the digital media. Coordinated with the Sophomore Design Studio, this class will teach students how to effectively represent their design intentions. In addition students will be introduced to the analytical process which will develop their ability to observe, record, and abstract principles of organization, composition, and iconography.
3 CR

Please see the Art & Design History & Theory section of this booklet for the following course description:

PLAH 2324 HISTORY OF WORLD ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN 1 LEC, 0 CR
PLAH 2325 HISTORY OF WORLD ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN 1 REC, 3 CR

JUNIOR YEAR

PUID 3000 DESIGN STUDIO 3
In this core studio, students are faced with increasingly real project parameters, while adhering to the rigorous problem solving methodologies introduced in the sophomore year. The added components of materials, color, lighting, and furniture demand that students investigate and reveal the layers of a design project with increasing specificity, addressing key issues of human scale, experience, and comfort. Through regular meetings with a Lighting Design instructor, particular emphasis will be placed on lighting for the interior environment, both artificial and
natural. This will include the physical and psychological attributes of light in space, as well as the role of light in sculpting space and crafting ambience.

6 CR

**PUID 3052 ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIOR DESIGN**
This seminar examines the relationship between architecture and interior design or cultural practices. The topic of focus is determined by the faculty member leading the seminar to enable the engagement of a topic critical to contemporary thought.

3 CR

**PUID 3055 PROGRAM: CONCEPT AND REPRESENTATION**
Continuing to build upon Rep and Analysis II, this course develops an understanding of the analysis of the program and methodologies required to generate the appropriate concepts. Ideas of adjacency, stacking and test-fits are explored and integrated in the conceptualization process. Working simultaneously with hand drawing and digital design, students further develop their ability to communicate their ideas. Particular emphasis is placed on an experiential understanding of spatial design and interior space.

3 CR

**PUID 3100 CRITICAL STUDIES IN DESIGN 1**
This course explores periods and modes in the history and theory of interior design in the western world from ancient times until the twentieth century. Focusing on the changing notions of comfort, style, forms, and social significations, the course examines concrete accoutrements of living, while looking into furniture and furnishings, interiors, metalwork, ceramics, glass, and the other decorative features and accessories of domestic life, as well as in architectural forms as they developed over these periods. The main objective of the course is to provide students with tools to comprehend and analyze as well as to develop critical thinking of the way in which physical environments were set within broader social, political, and economic frameworks of the societies that produced them.

3 CR

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUID 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
By special permission of Director of BFA program only.

1 to 3 CR

**PUID 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
Please see department for approval.

1 to 3 CR

**PUID 4000 DESIGN STUDIO 5**
This studio provides students the opportunity to work on larger scale projects. Fall semester projects have typically included one large institutional project (community center, women’s shelter, etc.) conducted in teams, and one hospitality project in the form of an in-house competition with Starwood Hotels and Resorts (hotel guest suite, hotel lobby/bar, etc.).

6 CR
**PUID 4005 DETAIL, FURNITURE AND CONSTRUCTION**
Appropriate detailing and construction have a direct impact on the designed product and its intent. In this course, the integral relationship between design, detail, building and construction will be analyzed, researched and explored. Built projects will include the detail as a source of inspiration and the beginning for furniture or an environment. This class is coordinated with Design Studio 5.

3 CR

**PUID 4012 PORTFOLIO PREPARATION**
This course helps students to assess their portfolio of work from the viewpoint of prospective employers or clients. Students will be given specific advice on upgrading their portfolios as well as on the nuances of landing a job.

1 CR
PRODUCT DESIGN, BFA

SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUPD 2000 DESIGN, RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT 1
Divided into three areas of activity, this course will serve as an introduction to the practice of product design. Through short exercises and projects of various lengths students will design a variety of products for use in domestic environments; through pin-ups and desk critiques they will begin to develop and understand goals and methodologies employed in this discipline. The class will also serve as the workshop in which pieces designed and developed will be realized in the prototype studio. Secondly, students will be involved in ongoing research activity culminating regularly in class presentations. These research projects will focus on important designers, movements and manufacturers from 1850 to 1990. The third component of this class will be a major research project that each student will undertake culminating in class presentation of a research paper. This paper will focus on aspects of design history that have had significant impact on the development of contemporary design.
3 CR

PUPD 2020 PROTOTYPES 1
This course focuses on wood construction and the safe and appropriate use of hand and power tools. Through a series of construction exercises and projects, student will be taught skills that focus on the uses of hardwood, plywood and sheet materials. In the second semester, students will also be taught basic casting techniques including one and multiple part mold-making for use with clay, resin, rubber and plaster, as well as slip casting. In all cases, traditions, east and west will be discussed and all students will be expected to make at least four class presentations on the history of construction techniques over the course of the year.
2 CR

PUPD 2030 MODELS 1
Students will be introduced to tools and machines, along with thorough instruction in safety considerations. Through assignments they will learn milling, sanding, priming and use of the lathe, vacuum former, bending machines and hotbelt. In the second semester students will be introduced to the spray booth and learn how to use the disc sander, scroll saw, sander/grinder, and mold making.
2 CR

PUPD 2040 TECHNICAL RENDERING 1
In this course students will learn manual drafting skills that all product designers will need in order to impart information about the physical characteristics of the products they design. In this yearlong course students will learn to draw the full range of descriptive documents ranging from plans and elevations through isometric renderings and construction drawings. This work is essential background for all 3-D computer-rendering programs.
2 CR
PUPD 2060 INTRODUCTION TO CAD
Used primarily by product design professionals, vellum 3-D is the premier CAD software for Macintosh based platforms. Through lecture, demonstration and hands on experience, students will develop the skills needed to create detailed 2D technical drawings. As this course is designed to complement student’s major course of study, assignments will be based on current studio practice. No previous computer experience is necessary.

2 CR
Required for: All PRD transfer students.

JUNIOR YEAR

PUPD 3000 DESIGN CONCEPTS & APPLICATIONS 1:
3 CR

FURNITURE
Gain a hands-on introduction to industrial production issues. Throughout the year, students focus on the design and development of various typologies of furniture. While researching the way in which notions of modularity have been used in the past, this course begins with the design of a series of two to four related pieces. Traditional, contemporary and experimental techniques are explored as students design and prototype their first major pieces of searing. Off-loom techniques are employed to create woven structures; knockdown cabinetry and its package are designed and composite and inflatable technology are also employed in the design of home and office furnishings. At the end of this course each student will have produced at least four prototypes and four sets of drawings that detail related furniture lines. Students consider pricing, market placement and environmental impact.

MASS MARKET
Students will design consumer products for mass production and become familiar with current design issues, themes and concepts. This class will strive to address all aspects of a project: what it means to our culture, is it a useful object, how safe is it, and is it fun? Utilizing new materials and state-of-the-art technologies, students in the course will examine the following aspects of design: Culture, Fashion, High Technology + Digital, Universal Design, Environmental, Sustainable, Ergonomic, and Functional to design for today's international market.

PUBLIC REALM
The public realm as a paradigm, within contemporary society, has come under scrutiny from politicians, civil and human rights activist, corporate and public sponsors, environmentalist and many other invested parties. Designers are confronted with negotiating these contested terrains in search for solutions that respond to all these forces while addressing disciplinary tropes, ideological frameworks, and stylistic/ formal manifestations. We will locate the role of products, systems, technology and designers in the ‘hot seat’ of this debate to carve out a responsible (sustainable and proactive) embodiment; one that improves the quality of the places we inhabit daily. Potential ‘sites’ of investigation could be, urban parks, street furniture (seating, signage, street lights), waste disposal, etc. In this course we will team up with entities that play vital roles within
the life of the city, such as the Department of Sanitation, Public Art Fund, and the Design Trust for Public Space amongst others. Students will be challenged to produce solutions and responses that are as unique and complex as the problems themselves.

**PUPD 3031 PRODUCT ILLUSTRATION**
Product design students need to communicate their ideas in a variety of formats. The increased use of computers and the availability of design-related software have influenced the way they express their ideas through traditional media such as hand sketches, illustration, hand-made models and rough prototypes. The main goal of this course is to re-introduce traditional presentation techniques and tools by using hand-processes aided by computer technologies. Computer use will be addressed as a means to improve and aid students' ability to quickly generate clear form plus function -- communication pieces that express product features, materials, manufacturing processes and assemblies. Students will learn and master free-sketching techniques that will be digitized and turned into final presentation boards. This methodology will allow them to gain confidence in their natural non-electronic skills at the same time that they keep up to date with the latest technological tools available for 2D and 3-D designers.

*2 CR*
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUPD 3037 HOW THINGS WORK**
Modern technologies have made a huge impact on most man-made things used in everyday life. From small objects, such as flashlights, hand-held terminals, battery operated toothbrushes and power drills to relatively large objects such as washing machines, dish washers, motor cycles, and cars. Digital technologies are everywhere — computers, wireless communication devices, personal digital assistants, MP3 players, CD, DVD, to name a few. It is important for design students to understand the principles of these technologies to better understand how man-made things are designed; to consider how objects are used and to predict how things will be used and what kind of designs are expected in the future. The class will present an overview of those technologies in order to give students a clear understanding of how they can incorporate the technologies into their design practice.

*2 CR*
Open to: Junior and senior level students in Product Design, Design & Management, Communication Design, Design & Technology, and Integrated Design.

**PUPD 3038 DESIGN MARKETING**
This class is designed to help design students understand a) what the business bottom line is and what they are trying to achieve, b) how to establish business strategies to achieve the bottom line, and c) the value of design in helping the business achieve its goals and objectives. The class will discuss various marketing topics such as market size, penetration rate, market share, market segmentation, competitive analysis, product line up and design differentiation. Students will discuss topics relevant to the products they are working on and will come up with a set of marketing strategies demonstrating their design skills. The final assignment will include documentation of marketing plans, and visual presentations including logo studies, sketches, renderings and mockups chosen from the product lineup.

*2 CR*
**PUPD 3052 MODELS 3**
This course will work directly with Design Concepts & Applications 1: Mass Market. Coordinating with the assignments and special projects within Mass Market, multiple in-class demonstrations of processes and techniques will focus on a more in-depth exploration of materials and applications covered in Models 1 and 2. The course will begin to integrate the 3-D Printer and the technology learned in Alias and Solid Works into a process of model making. Moving away from appearance models, the course will focus on the fabrication of working prototypes.

2 CR

**Co-requisite(s):** PUPD 3000 Design Concepts & Applications 1: Mass Market.

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**PUPD 3070 INFORMATION DESIGN 1**
Students work with the instructor on an individual basis to create the ideal setting for their senior thesis exhibition. Both visual and verbal presentations will be covered. Output characteristics, typesetting and multi-media possibilities will be covered. On-site (gallery) interaction with the space will be included.

2 CR

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**PUPD 3072 MATERIALS 2**
This course is designed to teach students about the specific qualities of materials and manufacturing processes that product designers typically use in industry now, and could potentially use in the future. Students will learn design guidelines for materials and processes that will enable them to create designs that can really be made. They will learn how to choose between materials in their designs, and how to approach the weaving of sustainable materials into their projects. Additional topics covered will include sourcing (how to find manufacturers to make a product), and cost analysis (how to determine how much a product will cost to produce).

This class will consist of a combination of lectures, fieldtrips to manufacturing sites, and projects. Through these activities, the goal is to instill in students the spirit of invention, and to empower them to push the horizons of what materials and manufacturing processes can do. This is the second course in the three-course Materials Curriculum sequence, and is a required course for all students in the product design department.

2 CR

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**PUPD 3100 ALIAS 1**
This is a course in 3-D modeling and rendering using Silicon Graphics workstation (SGI), the IRIX operating system, and the Alias Studio software package. Students complete a series of short tutorials dealing with NURB curves, surface creation and manipulation, and advanced surface building. A final multi-week project is undertaken which is expected to have direct connection to work being produced in other courses the student is pursuing.

2 CR

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**PUPD 3126 SOLID WORKS**
Solid Works is a 3-D parametric modeling and surfacing program. The course will lead students through the basic building blocks needed in order to make part files, combining them into assemblies and then turning them into drawing file. 3-D models that are created with this program are fully associative and can be defined by the users or automatic relationships. As the course progresses students will begin to integrate their own work into the program, which will allow for the further understanding of creating a 3-D model with their design intent intact.
PUPD 3200 SPECIAL PROJECT: TACTILE WORLD
In uncertain times, designers should consider new modes of operation to help them adapt to economic or environmental changes as they occur. This seminar proposes an alternative approach to creating products and environments based on methods used by entrepreneurs who rely on internal experimentation and research to fuel a development pipeline for innovative products and services. This is a practical studio, where participants will build and test innovative devices, products, furniture, fixtures, or spaces that embody principles of Universal Design. In particular, we will investigate structures and systems that invite operator or occupant reconfiguration and customization. By incorporating the needs of multiple constituencies, we will seek to promote usability across multiple, diverse populations, including very young children; the elderly; non-local language speakers; and individuals with disabilities.

PUPD 3220 PROTOTYPES 3
In this course emphasis will be placed upon construction techniques that are used in industry as well as the development of skills that will allow students to build their own high quality furniture. The course is designed to provide students with supervised instruction in the construction techniques that are involved in the design activities central to their Concepts & Applications courses. Traditional and experimental upholstery, off loom woven structures, knockdown cabinetry, inflammables and composites such as fiberglass, carbon fiber and Kevlar will be covered. Students will be instructed in the safe and efficient uses of these materials and techniques. In addition, students will learn how to construct shipping containers required for their work. Teamwork and collaboration are stressed, and shop etiquette, safe operation and efficient management are taught as well.

PUPD 3300 METAL FABRICATION
Students in this class will use the intelligence of the materials to inform the design process by asking the following questions: What does the material want to do? What is it capable of? What are its limits? What are its secrets? What is the material in your hands telling you about your work? Students will learn to design and fabricate using modern metalworking techniques. Study methods for cutting, forming, machining and joining and finishing metals. Students will gain direct experience with a basic set of methods for joining, forming and finishing a variety of industrial metals. Particular areas of focus will include effective communication with vendors and understanding of the historical and cultural significance of these evolving technologies. Integrate technical and design issues through a series of design/build projects.

PUPD 3310 NON-FERROUS METALS: INTRODUCTION
This course provides an introduction to designing with non-ferrous metals such as copper, brass, aluminum, nickel silver and sterling silver. The course includes three projects using any of the above metals. The focus will be both on design (form and function) as well as metal working techniques. A variety of techniques will be presented: sawing, filing, drilling, riveting, cold metal forming, soldering using an oxy-acetylene torch, surface texturing, and metal finishing.
Students will be taught how to express design concepts graphically. Students will be required to provide their own hand tools and materials; a complete list will be given during the first session.

2 CR

**PUPD 3322 CERAMIC FUNDAMENTALS**
This course will serve as a foundation in developing the necessary skills and knowledge for students who have never worked in this medium before. The first part of the semester will provide an intensive *Plaster Seminar* as a practical base for production of ceramic design. *Tabletop Products* is concerned with the most typical and basic ceramic design activities. In these studies, students will acquire knowledge of fundamental ceramic forms and their functions, and learn about the development of utilitarian ceramic products for home, restaurants and hotels. Students will learn how to communicate and present their ceramic concepts for the industry and design market.

2 CR

**PUPD 3328 CERAMIC LIGHTING**
Clay as a raw material has historically been celebrated for its healing properties. Full of minerals and nutrients, clay is currently widely used by the health and beauty industries. In this course, we will explore how clay as a material can be used to design products that explore “healing” functions and therapeutic scenarios. Students will be asked to utilize such ceramic properties as tactility, durability, cleanliness, and clay's ability to hold and change temperatures to enhance their projects. Industrial methods such as mold making, slip casting, and rapid prototyping will be used to create ceramic products. Each student will explore the possibilities of three-dimensional form as well as surface texture and glaze to enhance function.

2 CR

*Pre-requisite(s):* PUPD 3322 Ceramic Fundamentals or equivalent experience.

**SENIOR YEAR**

**PUPD 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY**
Please see Department for more information.

1 to 6 CR

**PUPD 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
The internship program provides students with a concentrated exposure to practical, professional experience. Students are required to complete 120 hours in exchange for credit toward graduation. The internship collaboration has proven to be valuable to students, particularly for the experience gained in making the transition from school to the “real” world.

1 to 2 CR

**PUPD 4000 THESIS & ANALYSIS STUDIO 1**
This course is designed to introduce senior students to a comprehensive product design process as practiced by professional designers. The course context will be design in the business world and professional practice. Some important concepts and skills to be integrated into the curriculum include: working with a design process, ideation, research, concept development, design documentation, current design trends, scheduling and planning, and skill reinforcement. Digital communication and presentation methods, along with various methods of computer
oriented and traditional modeling and prototyping techniques, will be utilized. This course provides students with the tools to develop their senior thesis project within a professional framework. The first semester will include a market and design driven project coordinated with a client and the initiation of thesis project. The second semester will concentrate on comprehensive development of the thesis, and developing a professional portfolio and personal marketing strategy.

4 CR

PUPD 4082 MATERIALS 4
In this course students advance and apply the knowledge of materials and manufacturing process learned in earlier classes. During this project based, studio course students collaborate with vendors and suppliers on their projects. Objectives include learning the language of manufacturing, quotes and specifications and becoming familiar with resources and methods for identifying vendors and suppliers. Students will begin identifying the physical characteristics of their thesis project and developing a portfolio of related materials and manufacturing processes. Issues such as cost analysis and project management are also covered.

2 CR
ARCHITECTURE, M.ARCH

Required courses are open to all Architecture, Interior Design and Lighting Design Department students as an elective with permission of the Program Director and Instructor.

REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

PGAR 5001 DESIGN STUDIO 1
The first semester of the Architectural Design Studio addresses a broad range of ideas and concerns that are embodied in the intellectual and creative process of generating architecture. Through a sequence of projects ranging in degree of abstraction, level of complexity and focus, the students learn the design skills that are necessary for the exploration, development and communication of conceptual ideas and their manifestation into architectural space and form.
6 CR

PGAR 5013 REPRESENTATION & SPATIAL REASONING
This course is designed to develop a student’s representational skills and thinking. Issues of how to draw and what to draw will be investigated, but more importantly the class will focus on why a particular project might suggest a particular form of representation.
4 CR

PGAR 5023 CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY 1 (Lecture)  
PGAR 5024 CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY 1 (Recitation)
This lecture/lab course examines the integration of structural mechanical and architectural systems in complex buildings. Buildings that wed inventive technical systems with formal innovations are used as case studies. Construction systems discussed included post and beam, frame and platform, wood and steel, load-bearing masonry walls concrete frame.
3 CR

In consultation with the Director of the MArch program, students are required to take one of the following (3 CR) History of Architecture courses:

PGAR 5040 MODERN AND POSTMODERN ARCHITECTURE (Lecture)  
PGAR 5041 MODERN AND POSTMODERN ARCHITECTURE (Recitation)
This course will introduce themes central to modern architecture from the mid-nineteenth century, and their transformations in the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries, paying particular attention to New York as a paradigm of the perpetually contemporary city. As architecture encountered the industrialized condition of modernity and the rise of the metropolis, it gave rise to a fascinating range of aesthetic and programmatic experiments. The course will pay particular attention to the way in which architects have responded to, and participated in broader technological, economic and socio-political transformations, as well as formal and aesthetic developments in the arts.
3 CR
Throughout the Twentieth Century, architects asked, “What are the relationships of my work to philosophy, science, religion, ecology, politics, cyberspace, gender, literature, aesthetics, economics, history, culture, and technology.” In this seminar students will explore case studies helping order to understand the complex factors at play today in the creation of architecture. In addition to group study of case studies in architectural, landscape and urban design, students will also read critically primary and secondary sources, keep a Process Folio, give short reports, and develop an independent research project on a design of their choice.

3 CR

SECOND YEAR

PGAR 5123 THEORY OF ARCHITECTURAL FORM
Theory of Architectural Form is intended to introduce graduate students in architecture to the key debates and theoretical writings that have influenced the discipline since the 1960’s and to examine theory in its historical context. The class will present theories that emerged as discourses in the ‘West’ after 1966. The course will explore a range of parallel contemporary theoretical topics, ranging from globalization and digital practices to the “new subjects” of history: feminism, post-colonialism, cosmopolitanism and so on. While the class concentrates on writings since 1966 to offer a more complete picture of contemporary theory, a number of earlier texts will be addressed insofar as they are necessary for a more complete discussion of contemporary theory.

3 CR

PGAR 5201 DESIGN STUDIO 3
This studio course will ask students to speculate about the complex relationship between building and landscape/environment, with an emphasis on how issues of sustainability can be used as a catalyst for creatively rethinking conventional notions of enclosure, tectonics, and program. Assuming that the constructed and the organic are mutually imbricated systems, the course will investigate the emergent possibilities arising from new interfaces between the architectural and the ‘natural’.

9 CR

PGAR 5213 STRUCTURAL TECHNOLOGY 1 (Lecture)
PGAR 5215 STRUCTURAL TECHNOLOGY 1 (Recitation)
Learn basic principles of statics, strength, and stiffness. Study the basis behavior of beams and columns. The course seeks to develop a qualitative as well as quantitative understanding of structural analysis and serves as an introduction to Structural Technology 2.

3 CR

PGAR 5313 ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY
This course investigates technologies that produce controlled environments for human comfort. Heating, ventilation and air conditioning are seen in the context of natural processes and alternative technologies, such as the passive and active uses of solar and wind energies. Other topics include lighting, acoustics, vertical transportation and mechanical and electrical systems.

3 CR
THIRD YEAR

PGAR 5401 DESIGN STUDIO 5
During Design Studio 5, a visiting critic presents a thematic urban problem related to his/her specific field of interest. Sited in New York, this project poses questions of the role of architecture with a complex public program, which is explored in detail through the course of the semester. The semester is broken into a series of projects, culminating in the design and representation of a final larger urban piece.

9 CR

PGAR 5403 THESIS PREPARATION
Thesis Prep helps students initiate, compile and organize research that will lead to Design 6 in the Spring semester. This course provides a framework for students to articulate a thesis problem and select a site prior to beginning their design thesis.

1 CR

PGAR 5513 THEORY OF URBAN FORM
This lecture/seminar develops a critical framework for understanding urban form, focusing on the modern metropolis from 1850 to the present. It has three primary aims: to assess the social implications of urban form; to evaluate different strategies of formal control over urban development; and to investigate how urban issues are engaged by architectural form. The first section of the course surveys the 19th-century rise of the metropolis, drawing on critical theory to outline the social, political, and experiential dimensions of this new urban system. The second section investigates modernist responses to the metropolis, contrasting utopian and actual attempts to impose formal order on urban development from 1900 through the 1970s. The third section examines the reaction against modernist urbanism that has led to the range of approaches pursued today.

3 CR

ELECTIVES
These elective classes have limited enrollment. Priority is given to graduate and undergraduate students in the Department of Architecture, Interior Design and Lighting. Students in outside programs are required to obtain permission from the department prior to registration.

PGAR 5571 LIGHTING PRINCIPLES IN ARCH & INTERIOR DESIGN
Students will conclude the semester with a clear understanding of the basic principals associated with light optics, technologies and luminaire designs. Additionally, they will gain an awareness of how to evaluate the complexities of interior and architectural site conditions through the perspective of light and developing a lighting solution that meets not only technical requirements but also integrates in a sympathetic manner within the project’s intrinsic design style.

3 CR

PGAR 5580 DIGITAL PRESENTATION
This course focuses on presenting projects with digital media. In particular 3-D studio Max will be explored in terms of both the technicalities of the software and its potential for representing architecture, interiors, and light.

3 CR
PGAR 5605 DIGITAL PLAY
Utilizing multi-media software, this seminar takes up different digital design issues. In previous years, topics have included sustainability; the Internet and its cybernetic relationship to ecology, the interrelations between space, surface and screen, craft and digital information technologies.
3 CR

PGAR 5611 EXHIBITION DESIGN: MUSEUM LAB
This course offers students the opportunity to analyze how designers use space, form, light, and graphics to convey ideas about art, culture, history, fashion, and science. Students consider how display and presentation influence then meaning of fine-art objects and commercial goods. The relationship between exhibition history, theory, and practice is analyzed.
3 CR

PGAR 5615 FURNITURE
The premise of this class is that architects and designers design furniture from a specific point of view that can be traced back and explained by their built projects. The objective of this class is to investigate this relationship by analyzing a short list of architects and designers, each through a pair of works, consisting of one furniture piece and a space or building. The analysis should reveal the essence of the designer's attitude towards issues like detail, innovation, tradition, technology, production and politics.
3 CR

PGAR 5628 SEMINARS IN ARCH HISTORY: ARCHITECTURE, INTERIOR DESIGN and LUXURY
From clothing and accessories, to food and leisure pursuits, and architecture and interior design, the concept of “luxury” dominates contemporary marketing jargon. In the most banal sense of the word, contemporary condominium developers utilize the idea of luxury to sell high-priced appliances, finishes and interior effects. At a larger scale architects and urban planners project luxurious environments (even whole towns) that conform to the image of a 21st-century jet-set lifestyle. Today the concept of luxury dictates not only design for the elite but also for the mass-market. This course considers both the historical foundations of architecture and interior design as luxury products, and asks ‘why is luxury such an important category in the production of architecture and interior design today?’ The first part of the course deals with readings on the history of luxury from the ancient world to the twentieth-century. The second part deals with contemporary issues of design and consumerism, analyzing the ways the term “luxury” is used to design and sell appliances, condominiums, stores, hotels, resorts and even towns.
3 CR

PGAR 5900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Please see department for approval.
1 to 3 CR

PGAR 5901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Please see department for approval.
0.5 to 3 CR

PGAR 5902 INDEPENDENT STUDY: DESIGN WORKSHOP
Please see department for course description.
3 CR

**PGAR 5910 MAINTAINING STATUS**
Please see department for course description.
0 CR
LIGHTING DESIGN, MFA
Required courses are open to all Architecture, Interior Design and Lighting Design Department students as an elective with permission of the Program Director and Instructor.

FIRST YEAR

In consultation with the Director of the MFALD program, students are required to take one of the following (3 CR) History of Architecture courses. Please see the Graduate Architecture section for the course descriptions:

- **PGAR 5040 MODERN AND POSTMODERN ARCHITECTURE, 3 CR**
- **PGAR 5113 ISSUES & PRACTICES MOD ARCHITECTURE 1, 3 CR**

**PGLT 5001 LIGHTING STUDIO 1**
The First Studio in the two year experience addresses abstract projects that involve the exploration of fundamental design components: light, color, form, space, plane, rhythm, balance and texture. This study begins model form in two dimensions, proceeding through three dimensions to full-scale mock-up study. Within the context of this initial investigation of light as a design medium, students will explore various means of representation from photography through hand and computer rendering to computer simulation in three dimensions.

6 CR

**PGLT 5111 PRINCIPLES OF LIGHTING**
Principles of Lighting includes a survey of various topics that influence lighting design decisions including properties of materials as they relate to light, codes and the law, reading and using catalogs, documentation, and the health effects of light. This class introduces the technical and practical aspects of lighting design including design process, the physics of light, lamp and luminaire technology, application of photometric data and calculations.

3 CR

SECOND YEAR

**PGLT 5003 LIGHTING STUDIO 3**
This studio proceeds to full development of conceptual architectural lighting design with a series of projects addressing client needs, programs, technical requirements and given conditions. In this studio, students explore larger and more challenging architectural spaces and exterior areas. Exercises include reaching beyond architectural lighting and expanding design vision by learning from other media. Possible techniques include computer visualizations and the design of performance pieces and analysis of the theatricality of public spaces. Designs are rigorously backed up with calculations, documentation and presentation drawings. Students learn lighting techniques using computer-aided calculation and representation, including modeling programs that calculate and present illuminances (such as AGI 32 and Lumen Micro™).

6 CR

**PGLT 5115 LUMINAIRE DESIGN**
This is a companion studio to Luminaire and Systems Technology. This class explores the design of fixtures and covers aesthetic and technical form, as well as the influences of fabrication and mass production on both decorative and utilitarian luminaires. Subjects include: concept origination; detail studies; mock-ups; components; manufacturing processes; use of materials, the integration of reflectors, lamps, lenses, ballasts and shielding into a complete lighting fixture; code requirements; and the interface between luminaires and surrounding architectural construction. Full-scale model building and functional mock-ups are also utilized as both study and presentation techniques.

3 CR

PGLT 5116 LUMINAIRE TECHNOLOGY
This course explores in depth, the material and fabrication issues of the equipment used in lighting interior and exterior spaces as well as electrical theory and practice, codes, control systems, energy management, ballast technology and outdoor lighting. Also covered are thermal issues related to lighting design including luminaire performance, regulatory requirements, code issues and overall building performance (integration of lighting with mechanical systems).

3 CR

PGLT 5126 THESIS SEMINAR
This seminar course allows graduate students the opportunity to engage lighting research in a seminar setting on a topic set forth by the faculty. In particular, distinct methodologies of lighting research and exploration are discussed and engaged around a shared focus. While the topic of discussion ranges from urban issues to specific details, the rigorous level of engagement sets the precedent for establishing methods of individualized work to be completed during the spring semester Thesis Studio.

3 CR

ELECTIVES
These elective classes have limited enrollment. Priority is given to graduate and undergraduate students in the Department of Architecture, Interior Design and Lighting. Students in outside programs are required to obtain permission from the department prior to registration.

PGLT 5141 LIGHTING: A DESIGN HISTORY
Creating, controlling, directing and worshipping light has prompted imaginations throughout the world to respond in ways that inspire poets, as well as generate a myriad of daily and nightly activities. This elective course will draw from domestic, ceremonial, and commercial lighting and shading traditions of Native America, India, Japan, the Middle East, Africa, and Europe to learn about new, enduring, mordant, and hybrid approaches to lighting design. Students will be challenged to consider archetypes of great diversity. The citing of important buildings at Cahokia of the Mississippian, designs for light and shadow circulation of the mashrabiyas of Egypt, and duration in visual systems of light-artists such as James Turrell will be studied. Heating, cooling, and air circulation directly related to lighting design will be included. Design, regardless of scale, is a process that in one way or another represents the continuum of creativity through time. We will study how streams of ideas and components comprising lighting design and shadow play are used today.

3 CR
PGLT 5900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Please see department for approval.
1 to 3 CR

PGLT 5910 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Please see department for approval.
0.5 to 3 CR
SCHOOL OF
DESIGN STRATEGIES

DESIGN & MANAGEMENT, BBA

REQUIRED COURSES

FIRST YEAR

**PUDM 1100 DEPARTMENT SEMINAR 1: INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT**
Overview of topics and issues central to the design and management program with an emphasis on the relationships between design, experience and social and economic change.
3 CR
*Open to:* Students in CD with permission of the department.

**PUDM 2130 SOCIAL THOUGHT 1: DESIGN, SELF AND SOCIETY (LECTURE, 0 CR)**  
**PUDM 2131 SOCIAL THOUGHT 1: DESIGN, SELF AND SOCIETY (DISCUSSION, 3 CR)**
Through a consideration of classic and contemporary texts, this introductory course will examine the many ways that “design” – conceived broadly to include any intentional plan, process or product – can influence individuals’ sense of identity and possibility, structures and systems of social organization, and the expression of political power. Lecture + Discussion section
*Open to:* D + M students
*Pre-requisite(s):* No pre-requisites

SOPHOMORE YEAR

**PUDM 2002 DESIGN 3: Visual Organization and Information Design I**
This course is an introduction to Visual Organization and Information Design. Students will explore different types of information and the modes of visual organization and representation that are appropriate to them. The class involves a studio and will draw upon previous design and technology skills.
3 CR
*Pre-requisite(s):* PUFN 1800 Design 1 and PUFN 1810 Design 2.

**PUDM 2102 DEPARTMENT SEMINAR 3: INNOVATION (Lecture)**  
**PUDM 2103 DEPARTMENT SEMINAR 3: INNOVATION (Recitation)**
What makes something truly new or original? How do you spot opportunities to create new things, services or experiences? How do you determine whether another innovation is actually a good thing? What is the history of innovation and how are innovative ideas and practices integrated into cultural practices? This course explores classic texts on entrepreneurship and innovation while also considering the role of the artist and design as an agent of change, and the nature and promise of technology in the creation of our possible future(s).
3 CR
Open to: Design & Management majors only.

JUNIOR YEAR

**PUDM 2101 DEPARTMENT SEMINAR 4: ECONOMICS AND ETHICS OF SUSTAINABLE DESIGN**

There is no issue more central to design today than how to create products, services, environments and businesses that are sustainable. This course introduces students to the multiple meanings of sustainability for those in design and in business, including but not limited to environmental stewardship, organizational, economical, and technological sustainability. Students will consider the pressure that globalization exerts on these multiple sustainabilities, and understand what kinds of structures, standards and (self-) regulations designers and industries use to monitor and define them. Students read texts on the cultural, technological, and business issues involved in sustaining growth and innovation, and will also explore the economic and ecological implications of environmentally responsible design.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDM 1100 Department Seminar 1, PUDM 1101 Department Seminar 2, and PUDM 2100 Department Seminar 3.
Open to: Design & Management majors only.

**PUDM 3301 DESIGN RESEARCH METHODS**

An introduction to qualitative research methods that are commonly used in design projects, this course covers the gathering, analysis and application of research as it informs different stages of the design process. Techniques covered will include participant observation, in-context interviews, self-documentation, participatory design and interactive testing. Texts and materials will be drawn from several fields in the social and behavioral sciences, including anthropology, psychology, and sociology. This course will include individual and group research assignments and applications of findings to real-world design problems.

3 CR
Open to: BBA Juniors and Seniors; upper-level non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUDM 3401 MANAGING CREATIVE PROJECTS AND TEAMS**

Historically, designers have been trained to see themselves as “creative types,” whose value to projects cannot be easily quantified or rationalized. By its very nature, this “auteur” role has always created problems in regard to project management. In the course of the past few decades, as the nature of creative endeavors has become increasingly complex and collaboration more common, much energy has been focused upon understanding the creative process so that it can be more efficiently managed. In addition to covering the basics of project management (estimation, client management, etc.) this course will identify some of the ways in which managing creative projects differs from other forms of project management, and explore ways in which these differences have been addressed and creativity enhanced. By the end of the course, students will have the critical ability to anticipate problems before they arise as well as a deep understanding of how the "creative role" can be spread across an entire project team.

3 CR
Open to: Upper-level Design & Management students and to upper-level and graduate non-majors with permission of the department.
SENIOR YEAR

PUDM 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Meeting by arrangement. Students must seek approval from an academic advisor.
1 to 3 CR

PUDM 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP
Meeting by arrangement. Students must seek approval from an academic advisor.
1 CR

PUDM 4020 BUSINESS LAW
This course addresses American jurisprudence as it applies to business. It draws on students’ concurrent studies in economics, finance and marketing, while also introducing new business concepts. Topics include intellectual property, business torts and crimes, contracts, secured transactions, creditors’ rights, bankruptcy, employment law, licensing and business organizations (sole proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations).
3 CR
Open to: Design & Management majors only.

PUDM 4030 STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT
In today’s business arena, strategic planning, marketing and analytical skills are now demanded by all businesses. This course is broken down into six modules: introduction to the management process; strategic planning process; strategic marketing; organizational structure; human resources policies and management; and the business of the planning process. The course will draw upon case studies from the design industries.
3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): Junior year courses in Design & Management.
Open to: Design & Management majors only.

PUDM 4100 SENIOR SEMINAR AND THESIS 1
The seminar sequence culminates in the year-long senior thesis course. Here, students will independently investigate relevant and contemporary topics in order to discover an opportunity in which design can be used a tool for strategic change. These topics may be drawn from a variety of areas, yet are organized under the broad headings of everyday experience, innovation and sustainability. Upon exploring the distinct phases of context, opportunity, innovation and strategy that build upon and refer to one another, students are encouraged to design and conceptually prototype a design intervention. Final deliverables may be a poster, website, oral / digital presentation, and a formal written document.
3 CR
Open to: Design & Management majors only.

ELECTIVES

PUDM 2418 ART & ANTIQUE MARKETS
Focusing on the commercial side of the art world, this course explores the history of the art and antiques business, and the special developments and influences on this specialized market. Issues in appraising and evaluating art and antiques are explored as they apply to specific sales
channels such as retail and auctions. Some attention will also be given to donations and curatorship.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors with permission of the department.

**PUDM 2422 SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE**
This course explores the strategies, skills and process necessary to establish a successful small business enterprise. Topics include organization and financing, accounting records, cost and financial analysis, debt and equity financing, managing financial and human resources, taxes, operations and types of businesses.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors.

**PUDM 2425 ADVERTISING PRINCIPLES**
This course introduces advertising as both an art and science while providing a broad overview of advertising issues and functions. The course covers the entire field of advertising from both an agency and client point of view, with special emphasis paid to an integrated marketing framework. Students will learn the importance of incorporating the entire promotion mix (advertising, public relations, direct marketing, interactive/Internet marketing, sales promotion, and personal selling) into aspects of marketing communications campaigns. The course will reflect the fragmentation among conventional methods of media (TV, print) and branding to more alternative promotional tools and methods (guerilla tactics) as part of the marketing communications strategy. By the end of the semester, students will have developed their own advertising campaigns incorporating media, objectives, budgets, creative strategies and measurements for success. Several case studies will be used to examine domestic and international consumer and business markets, with special attention to fashion and design companies.

3 CR
Suggested for: the concentration in Advertising and Graphic Design.
Open to: Non-majors.

**PUDM 2432 RETAIL BUYING**
This course introduces and explains the operating figures that are the language of the retail merchandiser. Knowledge of these operating figures is essential to managing a retail business at a profit. Some of the occupations this course will help to prepare Students for are: retail buyer, merchandise manager, department manager, or store manager.

3 CR
Open to: Non-majors.

**PUDM 2436 MARKETING CAMPAIGNS FOR TURNAROUND STRATEGIES**
Changes of management philosophies, mergers with or acquisitions by more successful companies, along with innovative marketing campaigns can bring a company out of a downward spiral and back into a strong competitive position in the marketplace. This course will enable students to understand why these changes become necessary and how they are implemented. Through a series of guest lectures by prominent professionals in the creative industries and visits to various company offices, the students will experience these processes first-hand.

3 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PUDM 2455 Marketing.
Open to: Design & Management majors only.

**PUDM 2449 BASIC BUSINESS STRUCTURE**
How and why have businesses developed common structures such as departments of production, marketing, finance, human resources? How do the various functions and departments of a company interact and support each other to attain the goals of the company? This course combines readings in the history and theory of business with an introduction to practical business topics. Discussion, group work, and case studies are used to explore the structures common to all businesses, from one-person operation to global conglomerate.

3 CR

**PUDM 3350 NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT**
Even the most brilliant creative mind will not succeed on talent alone when developing new product and getting to market. The goal of this course is to provide foundational knowledge of what else it takes to bring a product to life. Whether the end result is a product to be sold, a collateral piece or a TV or print advertisement, the product development process involves all the major functions in a business. Students will gain an understanding of the creative process from this perspective, as well as a greater understanding of producing in the professional arena.

3 CR

**PUDM 3390 RETAIL PLANNING**
Retail Planning is an advanced, upper level elective that explores this management-level position which has burst upon the scene in recent years. A retail planner is employed by every mid to large size retail or manufacturing company in the United States. Planners are used for all product types. The planner's responsibilities include directing the buying department and forecasting sales, merchandise flow, and proper inventory maintenance. The most important duty of a planner is to analyze profitability. This relatively new and lucrative field is remarkably understaffed, leaving a void to be filled by new graduates. At the conclusion of this course, and in conjunction with your other studies, you will qualify for an entry level position as a retail planner.

3 CR

Pre-requisite(s): PUDM 2432 Retail Buying.

**PUDM 3409 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**
This course provides an introduction to accounting as well as to the three major fields of finance: financial institutions, investments, and corporate finance. The emphasis is on a thorough understanding of underlying concepts--the time value of money, risk and reward, and valuation--and their practical application for entrepreneurs, managers, and investors.

3 CR

Pre-requisite(s): LSTS 2825 Statistics.

Open to: Design and Management majors only.

**PUDM 3411 INTERNATIONAL ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION**
The course examines the historical and cultural context and current processes that shape the international advertising arena, using global design companies as country market case studies for advertising campaigns. The texts will explore the central cultural issues of the global age, such as increasingly competitive markets, globalization, cultural politics and identity values, along with the ability of individuals, corporations and nations to strategize and position themselves in the global
information economy. We will look at the constraints and complexities for multinational 
corporations and advertising communities in defining global market segmentation and recognizing 
the rapid growth of market segments across country markets. How do these issues affect global 
advertising, branding and access, and the development of strategic competitive tools in the world 
markets?

3 CR
Open to: Upper-level majors and non-majors.

**PUDM 3412 LUXURY DESIGN AND STRATEGY**
In this one (1) semester-long course, students in Parsons Design and Management (D+M), 
Product Design (PD), Communication Design and Technology (CDT), IDC, Fashion Design (FD), 
Design & Technology, Fashion Management (FM), AIDL, Illustration, Architecture, Photography and 
all the AAS programs will join graduate Marketing students from Columbia University's Business 
School in an advanced studio on the development of luxury products/services and experiences for 
prominent manufacturers of luxury goods.

This studio will engage students in the development and marketing of products in response to 
specific briefs, focusing on areas of exploration that are of particular interest to the participant 
firms. Working in class, in team-initiated conferences and in an on-line environment, students will 
gain real world experience in the dynamics of interdisciplinary team methods and the convergence 
of creative and business strategies. This course will also provide a rare opportunity for students to 
interact, in person and on-line, with senior executives of these world-renowned firms who will 
share their experience in design and business strategy.

3 CR
Open to: This is an interdisciplinary course, open to upper-level/ and junior level students in 
Design and Management, Product Design, Communication Design and Technology, IDC, Fashion 
Design, Design & Technology, Fashion Design, Fashion Management, Illustration, Architecture, 
Photography, Fashion Marketing, AIDL and all the AAS programs.

**PUDM 3413 BRAND STRATEGY**
Understanding the fundamentals of branding and its key disciplines, and how to use design as 
part of a branding program that extends past a marketing initiative will be the focus of this course.

Each student will be developing a new (potentially global) brand of choice evolving around 
products, services, or endorsements, that addresses an identified problem/lack of appropriate 
solution in today’s everyday life (while putting a strong emphasis on sustainability). The goal is to 
establish a brand that is appealing to a broad (precisely defined) target audience, stands out 
from its competitive “brandscape,” and gets businesses and decision makers on board to 
support the cause of sustainability. The brand will start to connect with all audiences in a tangible 
way to become part of making a difference.

3 CR

**PUDM 4021 LEGAL PRINCIPLES IN CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**
This course provides a practical and comprehensive overview of the legal issues arising in art and 
design industries and endeavors. Topics include intellectual property, the acquisition of rights, 
and distributor and licensing agreements. A survey of various areas of the law that impact art and
design industries and endeavors will also be provided, including contracts, copyright, trademark, and right of privacy/publicity law.

3 CR

**PUDM 4322 LEADERSHIP**
This course is designed to provide students with an understanding of various theories and concepts of leadership. Students will apply knowledge gained in analyzing case studies and resolving real world issues pertaining to leading themselves, subordinates, teams, and organizations. Online.

3 CR

**PUDM 4408 LUXURY BRANDS: THE BUSINESS OF LUXURY**
This course explores the dynamic that occurs in every luxury goods company between brand building and business fundamentals, including how this dynamic unfolds during the day-to-day process of running a luxury goods company, as well as across longer time spans. By the end of this course, students should be able to define luxury; to speak knowledgeably about the luxury goods market, including the spectrum of players within the market and the competitive forces within and on the market; to explain the inner workings of a luxury goods company, including knowing what it takes for a multi-disciplinary team to successfully bring a luxury product to market; and to explain the fundamentals of managing a luxury brand as a sustainable business.

3 CR

Open to: Upper-level majors and non-majors.

**REQUIRED COURSES**

Please see the BFA Foundation section for the following description:

**PUFN 1800 DESIGN 1: DESIGN ELEMENTS AND DIGITAL TOOLS, 5 CR**

Please see the Art & Design History & Theory section of this booklet and University Liberal Studies Course Description booklet for the following descriptions:

**ULEC 2020 and ULEC 2021 INTRODUCTION TO MACROECONOMICS, 3 CR**

**UMTH 2525 STATISTICS, 3 CR**

**ELECTIVE COURSES**

The following courses are suggested non-departmental electives in Communication Design for the pathway in Advertising and Graphic Design. See the Communication Design section for the following course descriptions:

**PUCD 2020 TYPOGRAPHY 1, 3 CR**

**PUCD 3040 CORPORATE DESIGN, 3 CR**

**PUCD 3050 PACKAGE DESIGN, 3 CR**

**PUCD 3060 ADVERTISING CONCEPTS, 3 CR**
The following courses are suggested non-departmental electives in AAS for the pathway in Lifestyle Marketing for Fashion and Interiors. See the AAS Fashion Marketing & Merchandising and the AAS Fashion Studies sections for the course descriptions:

- **PAFM 1070 MERCHANDISING WORKSHOP, 2 CR**
- **PAFM 1080 MERCHANDISING, 2 CR**
- **PAFM 12190 FASHION INDUSTRY: MARKETING, 2 CR**
- **PAFM 1191 VISUAL MERCHANDISING, 2 CR**
- **PAFS 1425 FASHION INDUSTRY: DESIGN, 2 CR**
FOUNDATION, BFA

REQUIRED COURSES

PUFN 1000 3D STUDIO 1
3D Studio introduces students to the basic principles, processes, and materials of three-dimensional form through a series of projects that encourage drawing, experimentation, and conceptual development through the acquisition of essential core knowledge, to create and construct three-dimensional forms. Students explore form, space, and structure through the use of design elements such as line, shape, mass, volume, surface, scale, proportion, material and color.
3 CR
Open to: Foundation and first year Design & Technology students.

PUFN 1040 DRAWING STUDIO 1
Drawing Studio emphasizes the perceptual, analytical, and imaginative approaches to drawing that support broader art and design processes throughout the school. The perceptual component develops eye, mind, and hand coordination through the objective observation of the human figure, still life, and space. The role of the analytical component is to develop an understanding of methods, concepts, and drawing systems, such as anatomical, orthographic, paraline, and perspective drawing. The imaginative component emphasizes experimental approaches, thinking outside the box and the development of the student’s personal voice.
3 CR
Open to: Foundation and first year Design & Technology students.

PUFN 1440 2D INTEGRATED STUDIO 1
2D Integrated Studio provides an introduction to fundamental principals of visual expression and communication in both theoretical and applied forms. Students develop their ability to integrate physical, photographic and digital media and processes. Through the creation of images, objects and experiences, they encounter issues of design, color and narrative. The course meets twice a week; one session in a computer lab and one session in a studio.
3 CR
Open to: Foundation and first year Design & Technology students.

PUFN 1500 LABORATORY 1
Laboratory is a studio/seminar that immerses students in a study of contemporary art and design culture through readings, discussions, experience-based research and studio practice. Students integrate conceptual, visual and tactile skills from their studio and Art & Design Studies courses in the development of projects that respond to their immediate urban environment, New York City, later in the year students incorporate ‘user-centered’ methods into their Laboratory projects. Laboratory broadly introduces art & design methodologies and it emphasizes research and group work as integral skills for successful art and design practice. Laboratory is taught by faculty from all of the programs at Parsons.
Open to: Foundation and first year Design & Technology students.

The following courses are required for Foundation students. See the Art & Design Studies Course Description booklet for the course descriptions.

**PLAH 1000 PERSPECTIVES IN WORLD ART & DESIGN 1, 3 CR**
**PLEN 1020 CRITICAL READING & WRITING 1, 3 CR**

**PUFN 1800 DESIGN 1: DESIGN ELEMENTS AND DIGITAL TOOLS**
Design 1 introduces students to the vocabulary of two-dimensional design through projects created through using both traditional and digital processes. Students will extend projects with digital tools that were started in traditional media and vice versa, thus moving fluidly between these tools and processes. Students will explore elements,(value, shape, and line), principles (symmetry, balance, proportion, and weight), and the elements of color (hue, saturation, temperature, etc.) while gaining familiarity with design processes and technologies. Students will undertake projects that encourage both lateral and linear thinking, the generation of multiple outcomes, and the refinement of a single outcome. Through critique and discussion, students will learn the vocabulary of elements and principles that constitute a designer’s basic language while identifying and articulating this vocabulary in the work they will produce.

Open to: First-semester students in Design & Management only.
INTEGRATED CURRICULUM, BFA

CORE COURSES

PUIC 2500 IDC ECOLOGIES: (UN)FASHION
Embedded in an understanding of culture, history and place, students in IDC Ecologies: (Un)Fashion will design with the body and their own identity as their principal site of exploration. Questioning their assumptions of fashion, students will expand their definitions of dress, garment, accessory, costume, photography and publications through critical exercises and projects for the body. The exercises and projects will include experimentation and exploration with construction, materials, forms, color, and issues of representation; and will be developed through a process of research and making.
4 CR
Co-requisite(s): PUIC 2100 IDC Lab: Media
This course satisfies core requirements for IDC Fashion Area of Study.
Open to: Majors, non-majors and to Environmental Studies; Lang students with program approval.

PUIC 2501 IDC ECOLOGIES: (UN)SHELTER
Embedded in an understanding of culture, history and place students will design within the framework of the body and its immediate environment as the student’s principal site of exploration. Questioning their assumptions of relationships between lifestyles, urban space and the built environment, students will expand their definitions of clothing and shelter through critical exercises and projects for the body and the built environment. The exercises and projects will include experimentation and exploration with construction, materials, forms, colors, and issues of shelter exploring, in particular, innovative models of inhabitation such as co-housing and co-working. The projects will be developed through a process of research and prototyping.
4 CR
Co-requisite(s): PUIC 2100 IDC Lab: Media
This course satisfies core studio requirements for ALL IDC Areas of Study and Environmental Studies.
Open to: Majors, non-majors and to Environmental Studies; Lang students with program approval.

PUIC 2520 IDC ECOLOGIES: INTERACTIVE CITY
In this course students use their own trajectories through New York City as the principle site for design investigations. Starting with a multi-scale analysis of the urban environment of NYC, and continuing with developing concepts and visual responses to specific questions, students map their own urban trajectories, practices and experiences as well as those of other actors in the city. In parallel with analyzing films, theoretical works, and art installations, students will be engaged in hands-on inquiries and will produce digital photography, video, diagramming, three-dimensional modeling and on-line forms supported by the Internet to document and then represent their readings of the city. As part of the documentation process, students will analyze the interactions between people and people, and people and the urban environment. Students will use quantitative methods to verify environmental impact resulting from these interactions and develop innovative forms of representing quantitative and qualitative information.
4 CR
Co-requisite(s): PUIC 2100 IDC Lab: Media
This course satisfies core studio requirements for ALL IDC Areas of Study and Environmental Studies.
Open to: Majors, non-majors and to Environmental Studies; Lang students with program approval.

PUIC 3500 IDC INTERFACES: LOVE
This course is the mandatory junior core for IDC Fashion Area of Study students. In this course, students will continue to explore their personal interests as well as the qualities they would like to develop in relation to clothes, fashion, identity, media, and performance. Students in this course will work with the faculty of their choice to develop aspects of their work that need more in-depth support. IDC Interfaces: Love is a fully self-directed studio that requires a high degree of self-motivation. There will be multiple sections of this core and in the first week of the semester students will interview and choose the faculty they want to work with.
4 CR
Co-requisite(s): PUIC 3100 IDC Lab: Performance
This course satisfies core studio requirements for IDC Fashion Area of Study.
Prerequisite(s): IDC Lab: Media, IDC Lab: Design Thinking, IDC Ecologies:(Un)Fashion and IDC Systems: Being Singular Plural for students in the Integrative Fashion AAS.
Open to: Majors, non-majors and to Environmental Studies; Lang students with program approval.

IDC LAB

PUIC 2100 IDC LAB: MEDIA
Students work with various digital applications, including, but not limited to digital imaging, presentation, video and audio tools and Internet as platforms to investigate the concepts and processes of making, creating, imaging and representing society’s media landscape. The course is both a hands-on introduction to various software applications as well as an exercise in bridging theory and practice. A special emphasis will be placed on digital media for purposes of representation, dissemination and critique.
2 CR
Open to: Majors and non-majors, and to Environmental Studies.

PUIC 3100 IDC LAB: PERFORMANCE
This course focuses on the more performative aspects of practicing as an artist and designer. With basic body and performance exercises, students will engage in activities around public speaking, debate, acting, role-playing, and scenario building. Students will see how these various skills can benefit their design practice, but will also be encouraged to develop their own interest with regards to performance.
2 CR
Prerequisite(s): IDC Lab: Media, IDC Lab: Design Thinking.
Open to: Majors and non-majors, and to Environmental Studies.

PUIC 4100 IDC LAB: PRE-THESIS
This course introduces students to fundamentals of a design-driven intellectual inquiry and research methods to be employed within the senior core and thesis framework of the senior year. The course supports Senior Core Studios by exposing students to a variety of research methods
and techniques, including design researched methods but not limited to them -- ways of interpreting the data researched, methods and techniques of applied design thinking, modes of design inquiry, methods of human-centered research, design rhetoric and argumentation, and to the building of meaningful connections between studio practice and thesis writing. Practical, hands-on learning outcomes will include proficiency in visual research, design journals, thumbnail sketching, mind mapping, storyboarding, diagramming, and conceptualization.

2 CR
**Prerequisite(s):** IDC Lab: Media, IDC Lab: Design Thinking, IDC Lab: Cooperative.
**Open to:** Majors only.

**PUIC 3301 IDC COLLOQ: ADVANCED MEDIA LAB**
This workshop-style course will support advanced media projects in the areas of video, sound, and web. Examples of all will be screened with a particular emphasis on content, context, and audience. Some techniques will be demonstrated, but students will also be encouraged to use available resources to advance their technical skills. IDC students developing senior work in the areas mentioned above are encouraged to take this course to fully realize their prototypes and designs.

3 CR
**Pre-requisite:** An introductory media course.
**Open to:** Non-IDC students, upon review of their work.

**PUIC 2300 IDC COLLOQ: FASHION MEDIA**
In this course will offer a combination of seminar and studio. In class students will explore the language and history of magazines, fashion- and art publications in particular, photography, media, communication, marketing and branding. The class will provide context and offer lectures, guest lecturers and small hands on projects. The aim of this class is for students to understand the economic, cultural and social implications of their own work, of professional fashion media practices, and develop radical innovative new strategies aiming at changing the current landscape of both fashion and media.

3 CR
**Open to:** Majors, and to non-majors and Lang students.

**PUIC 2302 IDC COLLOQ: URBAN DRAWING**
Urban Drawing will introduce students to an ecological approach using analogous drawing exercises and a reading and discussion sequence. Important in this class is introspective exploratory design and research through drawing and the development of a final project. As humans, we continuously create images in our heads that explain our bodies to us. Similarly we continuously create images of our cities as we distractedly walk down the street. In this way our bodies are images amongst other images. As designers we can engage these circuits of images toward new assemblies and environments. Students will explore this relational system for working, thinking and being in the city toward a goal of recognizing their own ecological point of view as well as those of others, and finally as a way of focusing the everyday image-making on pressing issues and challenges of today.

3 CR
**Open to:** Majors, and to non-majors and Lang students.
**PUIC 3200 IDC COLLAB: PUBLIC SPACES**

This course will address contemporary philosophical, theoretical, methodological and design/production issues related to ‘public space’ in New York City, with a specific emphasis on the simultaneous process of privatization and re-appropriation of public sites. This is a hands-on studio that requires joyful commitment, collaboration, and teamwork. We will partner with multiple organizations --profit and not-for-profit, public as well as private-- in order to explore ways in which relationship(s) between public space, democracy and the civics can be examined, imagined, and (re)framed. The class will be organized through field visits, hands-on research projects, readings and films, and most importantly the semester-long design project. Students in this course will be asked to simultaneously register for the Senior Seminar titled “Urban Public Space.” The two courses are topically aligned and will meet back-to-back.

3 CR

**Open to:** Seniors and Juniors, Majors, and to non-majors, Lang and Milano students with program approval. Corequisites: Senior Seminar “Urban Public Space.”

**PUIC 2201 IDC COLLAB: URBAN SERVICES**

This is a hands-on design studio carried out in partnership with external organizations, and will focus on daily-life-services that affect the wellbeing and quality of life of urbanites and urban communities. The real-life situations students will design for may include youth-related services, food services, education services, and prevention and reintegration services as related to incarceration, among others. Students will explore new service opportunities through specific service design methods and tools, such as direct field research and co-design practices. This course is an excellent opportunity to build the portfolio and gain experience in the emerging field of Service Design.

3 CR

**Open to:** Majors, and to non-majors, Lang and Milano students with program approval

**PUIC 3700 SDS PROJECTS: URBAN COMMUNITY**

This is a collaborative studio. The aim of this course is to partner with a non profit organization, in New Orleans, on an already identified site, to develop design solutions to problems identified in this specific neighborhood. Working with graduate policy students from Milano the group will develop innovative solutions for sustainable community development. Through design research, conceptualization, iterations and development, students will produce a sustainable and financially viable proposal that the organization can implement in their future plans for the site.

4 CR

**Open to** all undergraduates and graduate students, subject to Interview

**PUIC 3900 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**

Meeting by arrangement. Students must seek approval from an academic advisor.

0 to 2 CR

**PUIC 3901 INDEPENDENT STUDY**

Meeting by arrangement. Students must seek approval from an academic advisor

0 to 6 CR

**PUIC 1901 IDC LAB: INTENSIVE**
Description forthcoming.

0 CR
Open to: Majors, non-majors and Lang students with permission of the program.

**PUIC 1900 IDC CORE: INTENSIVE**
Description forthcoming

0 CR
Open to: Majors, non-majors and Lang students with permission of the program.
Co-requisite(s): One of the IDC Core classes

**PUIC 4000 SENIOR INTERNSHIP**
Directed internships complement and inform the direction of the Senior Integrative Design Core. Internships may be in professional design practice, in related industries or in non-profit organization, and they will serve as field work and applied research for the Senior Project.

2 CR
Open to: Majors only.

**PUIC 4500 IDC SENIOR CORE**
A rigorous, research driven studio meant to demonstrate student’s ability to recognize and isolate significant social challenges, issues, and problems within the annual thematic framework, and develop innovative approaches and projects. Projects are expected to integrate student’s areas of study, assigned annual theme, as well as the insights gained during the Senior Internship. Senior projects should demonstrate advanced design problem setting and solving, robust research skills, collaboration and teamwork skills, and clear articulation of visual and written arguments. IDC Senior Core culminates in a written thesis, a project that includes cycles of ineration s and user-testing, and an exhibition together with a public presentation.

3 CR
Open to: Majors only.
PAFM 1000 FASHION TEXTILE SURVEY
A comprehensive survey of woven and knitted fabrics used in apparel. Students will learn to identify fibers and evaluate their performance. This course will reveal historical and contemporary design and production techniques. Pattern, whether printed, painted, dyed or woven will be investigated as inspiration for the designer.
2 CR

PAFM 1020 IMPORT & EXPORT
Students study the process of importing and exporting apparel and textiles. Students learn the basic vocabulary of shipping, methods of payment, and political influences. They study why import and export markets develop, as well as new trade agreements. Students learn the necessary skills to source apparel and textiles off-shore. Their term project includes researching the country of export from a social, economic, cultural and political point of view to determine the venture’s potential for success.
2 CR

PAFM 1040 MERCHANDISING MATH
This course is designed for students in Fashion Marketing. It provides students with a strong understanding of merchandising math. Students analyze the profit-loss statement of fashion companies. Weekly exercises enable students to effectively solve mathematical problems in the fashion industry. Students learn about planning, inventory control, terms of sale, and both the wholesaler and the retailers’ pricing policies.
2 CR

PAFM 1050 MARKETING 1: FASHION MARKETING
This course teaches how to develop and implement fashion marketing strategies. It is intended to give both a theoretical and practical understanding of fashion marketing decision making. During the first semester we will explore the fundamentals of fashion marketing – including general fashion marketing concepts, the marketing environment and types of markets. Students will learn how to analyze the target market and how to conduct market research for the fashion industry.
2 CR

PAFM 1060 MARKETING 2: GLOBAL MARKETING
This course focuses on creating a global marketing plan for a domestic fashion company. International business relationships -- economic, cultural, and legal practices are examined. The students will determine the feasibility of developing a successful global market venture, which will include strategies for global media and public relations.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAFM 1050 Marketing 1: Fashion Marketing.

PAFM 1070 MERCHANDISING WORKSHOP
This course was developed to enable fashion marketing and design students to work together in an environment that simulates the daily activities within a fashion company. Through weekly hands-on exercises, i.e. color forecasting, trend spotting and editing, students work to produce a collection for the up-coming season.
2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAFM 1080 Merchandising.

PAFM 1080 MERCHANDISING
This course is an overview of the merchandising principles and techniques necessary to operate a successful fashion apparel company. The course enables students to examine the role of a merchandiser within a fashion company. The students learn about the merchandiser's planning, editing, and pricing strategies. They learn first hand what it takes for a merchandiser to cost fashion apparel profitably through garment costing exercises. The student gains an appreciation of the core nature of merchandising in fashion and its dynamic character.
2 CR

PAFM 1090 RETAILING
This course is an overview of the principles, procedures, and applications involved in successful retailing. It is an extensive examination and study of the functions and structures of retailing and how they serve society. Students explore promotion, global retailing, location, image development and new technologies used in current retail organizations.
2 CR

PAFM 1100 PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT
This course teaches students about the product development cycle of the fashion industry. Students learn about the role of the Product Developer and what must be done in order to generate successful private label apparel. The changing buying-habits of the retailers' target customer are also examined. Students examine the advantages and disadvantages to private label merchandise. This course includes a visit to a private label manufacturer.
2 CR

PAFM 1110 E-MARKETING
Find out what the buzz is all about. The Internet offers one the world stage to sell apparel and accessory products and the intimacy to communicate with the customer one-on-one. Students will learn what is important and what to avoid in using these new methods of distribution in the fashion industry. Students will also learn how to market fashion on the Internet.
2 CR

PAFM 1120 ACCESSORY
Beginning with an overview of the fashion accessory marketplace, this class follows the steps necessary to develop a product: market research, trend analysis, price structure, color palette and sourcing (foreign and domestic). Field trips to buying offices, accessory showrooms, and trade shows enhance students' understanding of the development cycle.
PAFM 1160 MARKETING 3: MARKETING MANAGEMENT
Marketing Management extends beyond the principles of fashion marketing. This course focuses on managing the marketing function and challenges students to analyze and make strategic decisions through case studies and assignments.

2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAFM 1050 Marketing 1 and PAFM 1060 Marketing 2.

PAFM 1170 MARKETING 4: BRAND MANAGEMENT
This course examines branding, and the ways that brands acquire and sustain value in the marketplace. Brand equity is among a firm's most valuable assets and one of the most important aspects of marketing today. Students analyze fashion companies and how their brand image could mean the difference between success and failure. This course focuses on the challenges of brand management, exploring how successful marketers go about developing, managing and protecting brands.

2 CR
Co-requisite(s): PAFM 1160 Marketing 3.
Pre-requisite(s): PAFM 1050 Marketing 1 and PAFM 1060 Marketing 2.

PAFM 1180 PUBLIC RELATIONS
PR is an integral part of the fashion industry. Media exposure can help businesses small or large succeed in today's fast paced environment. This studio class will teach students how to communicate effectively. Learn how to generate media attention by using press kits, events, stunts, media alerts and releases. Students will also learn how to create a newsworthy angle and to "pitch" a fashion company. Students will leave class with a complete press kit for the fashion company of their choice, including a PR plan and budget.

2 CR

PAFM 1181 SUSTAINABLE FASHION
The apparel and textile industry is a multi-billion dollar global industry. This course will examine manufacturing from a social, political and economic point of view. This course will enable the students to learn about the human rights and environmental violations as related to the apparel and textile industry. Students will learn about outsourcing and the impact on manufacturing in developing countries. Students will also examine the economic infrastructure of these countries.

2 CR

PAFM 1182 NEW YORK TREND SPOTTING
New York City is known as the fashion capital of the world. The retailers of Madison Avenue, SOHO, Harlem, and NOLITA, as well as people watching on the streets of NYC are a merchandiser's greatest trend resource. This course focuses on fashion forecasting, competitive retail analysis and trend forecasting. Through lectures and weekly field assignments this course will enable students to learn about trend forecasting and the merchandiser's role in defining "cool".

2 CR
PAFM 1183 GLOBAL POLICIES: FASHION
This course will enable students to examine international trade rules, and global trade strategies of apparel and textile manufacturers. Students will examine the power of politics on world trade. Weekly on-line course discussions will allow the students to examine globalization’s impact on the fashion industry.
2 CR

PAFM 1190 FASHION INDUSTRY: MARKETING
This course is an introduction to the fashion industry. It provides students with an overview of the structure of the fashion industry. The business framework of apparel and textile companies is explored. The students will learn fashion terms, and how to identify different markets and new trends. The students will also learn about the various job opportunities in the fashion industry.
2 CR
Co-requisite(s): PAFS 1425 Fashion Industry: Design.

PAFM 1191 VISUAL MERCHANDISING
This course enables students to understand the importance of visual merchandising, often overlooked in the success or failure of the fashion retailer. Through analysis of the store layout, lighting, fixtures, props, window, and in-store displays the students learn the importance of creating a store’s image. Course assignments examine the retailer’s use of visual display to encourage the sale of fashion apparel and accessories.
2 CR

PAFM 1193 SPECIALTY MARKETS
This course is an overview of specialized markets within the fashion industry. Students will develop the necessary skills required to promote fashion products to these markets. Students will be able to implement generation analysis to create an understanding of the buying power of these untapped target markets i.e. plus size, mature market, teens, echo baby boomers, bridal, active-wear, etc.
2 CR

PAFM 1194 PROCESS AND SKILLS: MARKETING
This course introduces the students to the production and manufacturing processes as they relate to line development. Students will learn the importance of manufacturing in relation to establishing quality and fit standards. Students will examine various manufacturing costs and how they directly relate to the wholesale price of the product line. Students examine the interactions of the merchandiser and the production department. Students will learn the necessary terminology used during the manufacturing process of the product line.
2 CR

PAFM 1195 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AGREEMENTS
This course examines the legal aspects in international licensing. It gives the students an understanding of trademark, copyright and licensing laws in relation to the global fashion business. Through case studies this course will enable students to understand the importance of international licensing as a current marketing tool to reinforce brand image.
2 CR
PAFM 1196 DESIGN HISTORY: CONNECTION
This course offers a history of the styles in furniture, fashion, interiors, the decorative arts, and painting, and examines the fascinating links to be made between the various design movements. Beginning with the 18th century and ending with the present, each slide-illustrated session focuses on a specific period and explores revival and innovation, as well as design connections.
3 CR

PAFM 1197 FASHION SHOW PRODUCTION & PUBLICITY
This course is an overview of fashion show production and public relations. It will cover: market research; audience identification; visual merchandising; direct marketing; sponsorship; press releases; electronic media; publicity and advertising; and the primary purpose—merchandising the product. Show production from start to finish, back stage planning through presentation to wrap-up, and evaluation will be covered as well. Students in the class will participate in the development and production of the AAS Trunk Show, which takes place in May.
2 CR

PAFM 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
Please see department for approval.
1 to 2 CR

PAFM 3901 INTERNSHIP
Please see department for approval.
1 to 2 CR

See the AAS Fashion Studies section for the following descriptions:

PAFS 1425 FASHION INDUSTRY: DESIGN, 2 CR
PAFS 1428 FASHION CAD: U4IA, 2 CR
PAFS 1431 FASHION HISTORY: COUTURE AND CULTURE, 3 CR
PAFS 1432 FASHION HISTORY: SURVEY, 3 CR
PAFS 1439 CAD: PHOTOSHOP/ILLUSTRATOR INTENSIVE, 2 CR
FASHION STUDIES, AAS

PAFS 1000 FASHION DRAWING 1
This course serves as the foundation of fashion design representation. Students draw from live models to develop an awareness of the proportions and movement of the elongated fashion figure while maintaining correct anatomical structure. It moves from gestures, shapes and poses to drawing the fashion figure.
2 CR

PAFS 1020 CONSTRUCTION 1: PATTERNMAKING
This course provides an introduction to one of the three key components of apparel construction. The course will focus on the development of basic slopers and will lay down the basis for the design room patternmaking.
2 CR
Co-requisite(s): PAFS 1080 Construction 1: Draping and PAFS 1090 Construction 1: Sewing.

PAFS 1080 CONSTRUCTION 1: DRAPING
This is an introduction to the basic principles of three-dimensional fashion design. Students will use dress forms to achieve basic garment components: bodices, skirts, sleeves, collars, etc.
2 CR
Co-requisite(s): PAFS 1020 Construction 1: Patternmaking and PAFS 1090 Construction 1: Sewing.

PAFS 1090 CONSTRUCTION 1: SEWING
This is one of the three main components of apparel construction. Students will be introduced to basic sewing techniques using both methods: hand finishing and industrial sewing equipment.
2 CR
Co-requisite(s): PAFS 1020 Construction 1: Patternmaking and PAFS 1080 Construction 1: Draping.

PAFS 1010 CONSTRUCTION 2
This course sets the next level for garment construction. Students will proceed to couture sewing, draping, and patternmaking.
4 CR

PAFS 1011 CONSTRUCTION 3
This course provides an advanced level of garment construction that will be directed to haute couture sewing and draping techniques. Students will develop their own designs.
2 CR

PAFS 1040 TAILORING
This is an advanced sewing course in which students will learn couture tailoring techniques. Fitting, making the canvas interfacing, pockets and pad-stitching are covered.
TAILORING, 2 CR
TAILORING: MEN’S WEAR, 2CR

**Pre-requisite(s):** PAFS 1020 Construction 1: Patternmaking, PAFS 1080 Construction 1: Draping, and PAFS 1090 Construction 1: Sewing.

**PAFS 1050 FASHION TECHNICAL DRAWING**
Students will develop flat sketches for use in presentation and story board spec sheet s. They will continue the development of the croquis book. Students will produce technical drawings by hand and digitally.

*2 CR*

**Pre-requisite(s):** PAFM 1190 Fashion Ind: Marketing and PAFS 1425 Fashion Ind: Design.

**PAFS 1051 ADVANCED FASHION TECHNICAL DRAWING**
Students with a basic level of fashion technical drawing will extend their flat sketching/drawing skills for advanced fashion representation and specification [spec sheets], using Adobe Illustrator in conjunction with Photoshop. The course will cover fashion items not covered in the pre-requisite course Fashion Technical Drawing, such as: outerwear, accessories and prints. The skills and methods practiced will demonstrate the design process of creating a cohesive body of work for presentation to prospective employers, clients, production mills, and/or within ones own design firm.

*2 CR*

**Pre-requisite(s):** PAFS 1050 Fashion Technical Drawing and an evaluation of work.

**PAFS 1130 FASHION PORTFOLIO**
This course is designed for upper level students in Fashion Studies. They will learn how to translate their design concepts into an effective and powerful Fashion Portfolio.

*2 CR*

**Pre-requisite(s):** PAFS 1000 Fashion Drawing 1 or PAFS 1180 Fashion Drawing 2.

**PAFS 1140 FASHION DESIGN STUDIO**
This is an advanced fashion course where students will produce their own original designs. They will go through the whole process: from the original concept, to garment development, to the finished garment(s). Students will be able to choose from a number of Fashion Design areas, including the following sections:

**ACCESSORIES**
Students get an overview of the creation of a contemporary Fashion Accessory Collection. The collection begins with inspiration and ends with the creation of the finished collection. This class is a synthesis of the subjects covered in the Fashion Studies major.

**COUTURE**
Students will produce their garment using as basis for their research and inspiration American and European Haute Couture.

**COSTUME**
Students will produce their costumes using a specific play as basis for their project.
KNITS
Students will produce their garments using knits as the main fabrication for their projects.

EXPERIMENTAL
Students will use unorthodox methods and materials to design and produce their garments.

SUSTAINABLE
Students will research and experiment with eco friendly fabrication and processing as basis for their projects

2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAFS 1020 Construction 1: Patternmaking, PAFS 1080 Construction 1: Draping, and PAFS 1090 Construction 1: Sewing.

PAFS 1180 FASHION DRAWING 2
This course concentrates on developing the fashion silhouette and fabric rendering techniques using a variety of materials. Students will study the interconnectivity between fabric weight/texture and garment representation based on rendered croquis.

2 CR
Pre-requisite(s): PAFS 1000 Fashion Drawing 1.

PAFS 1400 FASHION DRAWING WORKSHOP
The workshop will enable students to develop and practice their skills in fashion illustration. This class supplements the fashion drawing classes and all AAS students may attend.

0 CR

PAFS 1422 PROCESS AND SKILLS: FASHION DESIGN
The objective of this course is to introduce students to design principles and creative standards common to all design fields. Projects will deal with pragmatic and creative issues. Assignments are progressive so that students will have the opportunity to establish their professional identity.

2 CR

PAFS 1423 ACCESSORY DESIGN
This studio identifies accessory categories and develops fashion products from concept to finish.

2 CR

PAFS 1425 FASHION INDUSTRY: DESIGN
This is an overview of fashion design, complementing the marketing component of the industry. Students will learn how to develop design concepts, draw the basic fashion figure and the design sketch, compile a croquis book, and make flats.

2 CR
Co-requisite(s): PAFM 1190 Fashion Industry: Marketing.

PAFS 1426 SHOE DESIGN
From concept to creation, this workshop course will teach the students how to design and fabricate footwear. It will investigate the markets, suppliers, construction methods, and manufacturing—everything necessary to get the shoes from the sketch book to the street.

2 CR

**PAFS 1427 HAND KNITTING 1**
This is an introduction to hand knitting and crocheting techniques that are complementing couture fashion trends. Investigate the process of creating garments through hand knitting and learn the basic methods as well as how to develop new ones.

2 CR

**PAFS 1428 FASHION CAD: U4IA**
This course teaches the fundamentals of computer-aided design through the use of Computer Design Incorporated’s U4ia software, used by leading apparel and textile companies. U4ia menus and functions are taught, including knits, watercolor prints and drawing techniques.

2 CR

**PAFS 1431 FASHION HISTORY: COUTURE**
We are experiencing a merging and cross pollination in the design fields. This course looks at and investigates the people, art, film, literature, photographers, music, image makers, architects and political and social events that have contributed to shaping various aesthetics. Students will learn how to work concepts into products and presentations.

3 CR
Open to: AAS Fashion, Marketing and Interior Design students.

**PAFS 1432 FASHION HISTORY: SURVEY**
19th and 20th C. fashion is studied through an examination of the influences of history, literature, politics, media, psychology and culture. Students study the history and meaning of dress and the development and practice of style.

3 CR

**PAFS 1434 BUSINESS & ENTREPRENEURSHIP**
This course introduces students to developing a business plan and writing it, getting financing, working with contractors and manufacturers, wholesale and retail pricing, legal issues and copyrights, licensing, permits, and everything else they need to know about starting their own business.

2 CR

**PAFS 1437 FASHION HISTORY: FUSION! ART AND FASHION**
This highly interactive, slide-empowered course will introduce all the artists of the 20th century that had a major influence on and intense interaction with the creators of fashion - up to the moment when the fashion designer declares: I Am The Artist! An accompanying project will ask of the students to develop a four-piece collection (mood board). The sketches will be based on the work of an artist of their choice.

3 CR
PAFS 1439 CAD: PHOTOSHOP/ILLUSTRATOR INTENSIVE
This is an intensive course of CAD (Computer Aided Design) that covers the basics of Adobe Photoshop and Illustrator. These are two of the most versatile programs used by leading apparel and textile companies. Students will learn how to utilize them and customize them for fashion design industry needs.
2 CR

PAFS 1441 FASHION CAD: PHOTOSHOP
This is an introductory course of CAD (Computer Aided Design) that covers the basics of Adobe Photoshop. This is the most versatile program used by leading apparel and textile companies. Students will learn how to utilize it and customize it for fashion design industry needs.
2 CR

PAFS 1450 FASHION LAW
Fashion designers face unique legal challenges specific to their profession. The primary goal of this course is to educate fashion students as to the legal issues they will encounter during their careers and to prepare them as to the best way to address such concerns, whether it is on their own or with the assistance of an attorney. The course includes reading, lecture, discussion, individual and joint student projects, and a final exam.
2 CR

PAFS 3900 INDEPENDENT STUDY
An Independent Study may be approved by the department director in the following circumstances only: if the student is engaged in his/her final semester of study and no more than one credit remains. Students must complete an Independent Study Contract, seek approval from the program director, and register accordingly.
1 to 2 CR

PAFS 3901 INTERNSHIP
Please see department for approval.
1 to 2 CR

See the AAS Fashion Marketing and Merchandising section for the following descriptions:

PAFM 1000 FASHION TEXTILE SURVEY, 2 CR
PAFM 1190 FASHION INDUSTRY: MARKETING, 2 CR
PAFM 1196 DESIGN HISTORY: CONNECTION, 3 CR

See the AAS Graphic Design section for the following descriptions:

PAGS 1001 DRAWING, 2 CR
PAGS 1021 COLOR THEORY, 2 CR
FASHION DESIGN, BFA

REQUIRED COURSES: SOPHOMORE YEAR

PUFD 2000 FASHION DESIGN CORE 1
This eighteen-hour per week experience incorporates design research, development, and exploration; drawings methods and techniques for the purpose of design presentation; and the fundamentals of apparel construction.

Within the core experience, Concept Development is a six hour introduction to designing groups of clothes. Students develop a knowledge base and visual language while working with different price points and classifications of clothing. Students both solve problems presented by the instructor and develop concepts of their own invention. Womenswear, menswear, childrenswear and costume are all explored as core components of the class, as are different fabrications and color schemes. Students are challenged to broaden their fashion knowledge while discovering their own interests and sense of style. Sketching in their croquis books and painting finishes, students apply the illustration techniques learned in the Fashion Drawing component. Students learn the art of flats as well as the rudiments of specing. Shopping and trend reports are assigned. Short papers are written. In addition, this component is enhanced by fabric lecturers and hands-on textile experiences.

The Fashion Drawing component (six hours) provides technical support for Concept Development. Fundamental skills of visual communication and problem solving are demonstrated and practiced, including proportion, fabric rendering, and the designer's sketch. Students practice drawing the figure from life, both clothed and unclothed, in order to better understand drape, shadow and shape. Emphasis is placed on fashion illustration and its function in design. Charcoal, gouache, ink, pastels, and markers are explored.

Studio Methods is the apparel construction component (six hours) -- sewing, draping, patternmaking, and the methods of translating design concepts into 3D form. Students learn to drape and form cloth on the dress form to achieve basic shapes: bodices, skirts, sleeves and collars. The basics of flat pattern making are covered. Emphasis is placed on the relationship between each of these disciplines and their connection to design.

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PUFD 2040 FASHION DIGITAL STUDIO 1
Beginning with Adobe Photoshop's broad range of tools on the PC and Macintosh platforms, students move through the design process, beginning with concept development and the preparation of digital concept boards. Next, fabric development is explored, including print and woven design. During this portion of the class, students explore textile repeats, color stories and colorways. Flat sketching and fashion illustration follow, during which time students render a small fashion collection. The collection is represented by figures and flats, which students learn to manipulate and enhance on the computer. Presentation techniques make up the last portion of the course, when students learn to present their work, through color printouts, as well as on disk. In the second semester Adobe Illustrator is introduced and the focus is on technical flat sketching and graphics. Basic web design skills are also introduced.
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**PUFD 2050 HISTORY, CULTURE AND SOCIETY 1**
This course examines fashion from 1880 to the present and its capacity as both a reflection of, and an influence on, the cultural conditions of its respective time period. In its entirety, students should gain a greater perspective on the historical, social, and industrial precursors to contemporary fashion’s tastes and trends. This is a lecture course with supplemental field trips; guest speakers may include fashion designers, historians, critics, curators and fashion editors. Course work will be comprised of group and independent research, written papers, and oral presentations.

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**JUNIOR YEAR**

**PUFD 3000 FASHION DESIGN CORE 3**
Building from proficiencies developed in the sophomore year Core experience, this eighteen-hour per week course incorporates more advanced levels of design research, development, and exploration; drawings methods and techniques for the purpose of design presentation; and apparel construction in service to design. In the Concept Development component (six hours), each student's design philosophy begins to solidify and mature, he or she is expected to have a broad range of knowledge and experience as a point of departure for design. Through a rich combination of instructor-directed concepts and industry-sponsored projects, students work to develop a visual vocabulary that enables them to work successfully in various markets and price-points. Students learn to deconstruct client expectations and research current trends so that their designs are well-informed, socially fluent and marketable. Museum research supplements shopping reports and trend analysis.

Building off techniques learned in sophomore level, students in the Studio Methods component (12 hours) become more able to understand the underlying principles of construction from draping to flat pattern making, finishes to fittings. Students progress through a series of projects designed to broaden their critical thinking skills and deepen their technical knowledge. Emphasis is placed on the teacher as both instructor and mentor. Demonstrations, critiques and presentations afford the opportunity for students to learn from one another as well as from the instructor.

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**PUFD 3030 FASHION DRAWING 3**
Working from live fashion models, students work to strengthen their rendering skills and further develop their fashion illustration style. Visual communication and fluency are emphasized in each exercise with speed and accuracy becoming ever more focused goals. Technique is discussed as a means to an end: to articulate one’s ideas, to address and solve problems. Students experiment with different subject matter (accessories, costume) as well as learning to master new media (collage, marker).

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PUFD 3040 FASHION DIGITAL STUDIO 3
This course explores the tools of U4ia, a leading industry-standard software package. To begin, students prepare concept/mood boards as a visual tool to communicate target customer, season, color and trim ideas, texture and pattern. Following this, printed textile design is the focus. Students learn to develop prints, using both scanned and hand drawn elements. Color is examined, in terms of the mood it conveys and its appropriateness for end use. Prints are put into seamless repeats and re-colored, enabling students to quickly visualize and examine change in composition and color. Knit and woven design and texture rendering are explored next. Students develop a capsule collection of apparel, using their fabric designs, which are illustrated by flat sketches and fashion illustrations. Patterns are manipulated on flats and illustrations. Advanced illustration techniques and texture mapping are covered, enabling students to render naturally and add the illusion of three-dimensionality to fashion illustrations. The course culminates in a group critique, when students present all material, portfolio ready. Emphasis is placed on regular discussion of projects and sharing ideas about the digital design process.
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PUFD 3050 THEMES IN FASHION HISTORY
Primarily intended for Juniors, this course approaches fashion history from an interdisciplinary standpoint. Students research, assess and create new ways of examining fashion’s relationship to culture and society. Emphasis is placed on reading, writing and presenting findings.
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PUFD 3053 THEMES IN MEN’S FASHION
Themes in Men’s Fashion is an intellectual studio in which students continue to build upon the linear historical narratives acquired in History, Culture, Society (PUFD 2050 and PUFD 2051) by engaging in a focused study of topics within men’s fashion. Students read, write and create within a rubric of themes that intersect on a global level with aesthetics in fashion design. Students will learn narratives specific to the history of men’s clothing through observations made in lectures, research, written responses, and creative vision. The primary semester project in Themes will have a public dimension; students will curate and design a small exhibition in the Gimbel Library during the latter half of the semester.
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PUFD 3060 FASHION INDUSTRY SURVEY
This course positions the role of fashion designer in the larger context of business, marketing, forecasting, manufacturing and retail. Students develop their analytical skills through research and writing. Lectures and guest speakers supplement student presentations and discussion.
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SENIOR YEAR

PUFD 4000 FASHION DESIGN CORE 5: THESIS
The senior year thesis experience is the capstone of each student’s term of study in the Department of Fashion Design. It is a synthesis of accumulated knowledge – from critical thinking and analysis to design research and development to clothing construction. Each student will design and fabricate a collection representing his or her individual design philosophy and point of
view. In addition, opportunities to participate in special industry-related projects and competitions can supplement this work on a strictly elective basis.

The Concept Development component (six hours) encompasses two major year-long projects: the senior thesis collection and the development of a professional portfolio. Over the summer and during the beginning of the fall semester students croquis collections of clothes that demonstrate their own design philosophy and point of view. Through critiques and open discussions, students learn to edit their work, refine their ideas, and polish their collections. Students share problems -- how a garment can be styled and accessorized, whether a fabric will carry on a runway, what looks from the collection best represent the whole. Fashion Design curriculum and takes the student to a new level of professionalism -- designing a collection for the catwalk. Once the thesis collection moves on to production, students begin to think of life after Parsons -- how to network in the industry, which niche suits them best, and how to create a professional portfolio that will communicate who they are and what they do.

The Studio Methods component is dedicated to guiding each individual student in the construction of his or her senior thesis collection. In tandem with Concept Development, this course follows the process of the development of a collection. The fall semester begins with making slopers of the fit models to be used in creating flat patterns of the students' designs. Studio faculty mentors the student at each stage of development. They instruct students on how to manage a fitting with a professional fit model (from muslin through final fabric), they advise on technical questions and problems. Students are expected to be motivated and focused in their work. Because each student is working on an entirely different project with different needs and requirements, faculty act as tutors to help students develop the skills necessary to make their collections a reality. Each student's collection must be fully fabricated in muslin by mid-December, at which time the collections are reviewed en masse. Essential content and fabrication decisions are made at this crucial time before moving into final fabric construction in January.

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**PUFD 4060 BUSINESS SEMINAR**
This course provides an immersion in business principles, entrepreneurship, and financial planning from the point of view of the needs of the fashion designer.

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**ELECTIVES**

**PUFD 3110 SHOE DESIGN**
In this class students learn how to design shoes and make a basic pump pattern. Students make a sandal or a mule.

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**PUFD 3120 HANDKNITTING**
Students learn basic hand-knitting techniques enabling them to complete one sweater. Yarn selection, estimation, and knitting finishing techniques are covered.

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**PUFD 3122 TEXTILES**
The study of fiber and fabric properties and identifications, yarn system, fabric weaving and knitting construction, finishes, dyeing and printing, as related to fabric aesthetics quality, performance and product end use. The course combines the study of textile science, creative use of fabric as inspiration in fashion design, as well as applications and practices in the fashion industry.

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**PUFD 3140 MENSWEAR TAILORING**
Students work on creating a hand-made menswear jacket using couture methods. Detailed demonstrations and discussion of methodology explores the techniques used by tailors of yesterday and today.

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**PUFD 3172 ACCESSORY DESIGN**
This is an introductory elective course for Junior year students interested in pursuing Accessory Design as a career or supplement to Senior year thesis work.

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Open to: BFA Fashion Design Juniors only.

**PUFD 3180 MACHINE KNITTING**
Learning the basics of machine knitting, students work intensively on individually designed projects. The class is held on the weekends to allow students adequate time for demonstrations, critique and skill development.

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**PUFD 3280 MILLINERY DESIGN**
Explore and understand the art of Millinery through visual research, industry field trips and hands-on production. Shaping, industry specific materials and trim techniques are covered in this course, leading you to a world of endless style possibilities. Geared towards Juniors and Seniors interested in hats as the accessory that completes a look. Final projects are expected to work with the senior thesis collection to compliment garments. Ultimately fall/winter, spring/summer and cocktail/black tie hats are created.

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Open to: Majors only.

**PUFD 3901 PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP**
Internships are required to be in fashion design or related industries. Internship responsibilities can be broad and diverse, but it is expected that the majority of the work provide a challenging enhancement to the student's academic work. Internships must require a minimum of 90 hours of on-site work (or six hours per week) for the 15 week semester.

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**PUFD 3902 INDEPENDENT STUDY: STUDIO**
For students interested in augmenting their core coursework with a special project related to Fashion Design. The student will design a project and work independently throughout the semester under the guidance of a faculty member. This option is available by permission only.
PUFD 3903 INDEPENDENT STUDY: DIGITAL
This opportunity is for students interested in furthering their comprehension of previous digital coursework using Photoshop, Illustrator or U4ia. The student will propose a special project using previously learned digital software and work independently throughout the semester under the guidance of the Digital Design Director.
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