

Cerritos College Department of Art and Design

AA Degree in ART with an emphasis in Graphic Design or Animation

Graphic Design Emphasis

REQUIRED FOUNDATION COURSES (15 units)

ART 102	Appreciation and History	3
	or ART 103 Modern & Contemporary Appreciation	(3)
ART 110	Freehand Drawing	3
ART 112	Life Drawing	3
ART 120	Two Dimensional Design Foundations	3
ART 121	Three Dimensional Design Foundations	3

REQUIRED GRAPHIC DESIGN COURSES (18 units)

ART 182a	Lettering and Typography I	3
ART 184	Graphic Design I	3
ART 196	Intro. to Designing Web Graphics	3
ART 186	Computer Graphics w. Adobe Illustrator	3
ART 188	Design for Desktop Publishing	3
ART 192	Photoshop/Digital Imaging	3

TOTAL UNITS 33

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RECOMMENDED ELECTIVES (not required)

ART 196	Intro. to Designing Web Graphics	
ART 185	Rendering I	3
BA 110	Advertising	3
PHOTO 100	Introductory Photography	3
ART 189L	Computer Graphics Lab	1

Computer Animation Emphasis

REQUIRED FOUNDATION COURSES (15 units)

ART 102	Appreciation and History	3
	or ART 103 Modern & Contemporary Appreciation	(3)
ART 110	Freehand Drawing	3
ART 112	Life Drawing	3
ART 120	Two Dimensional Design Foundations	3
ART 121	Three Dimensional Design Foundations	3

REQUIRED ANIMATION COURSES (18 units)

ART 114	Storyboard and Graphic Novel Illustration	3
	or ART 191B 3D Computer Animation Project	(3)
ART 190	Animation Principles	3
ART 191A	3D Computer Animation	3
ART 195	Modeling for Animation	3
ENG 240	Creative Writing	3
ART 193	Motion Picture Editing	3

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RECOMMENDED ELECTIVES (not required)

ART 192	Digital Imaging	3
ART 196	Intro. to Designing Web Graphics	3
ART 189L	Computer Graphics Lab	1

Program Philosophy

The Cerritos College Animation track of the Art and Design AA Degree Programs combines a solid core of art foundation courses with computer graphics technology. At Cerritos, students learn the fundamental concepts and skills that will enable them to adapt to rapidly evolving technology in future years.

Graphic Design Career Opportunities

Graphic Designers plan and design printed publications such as newspapers, magazines, brochures and advertising. They also design packaging and signage, web pages and multimedia. The rapidly expanding fields of Graphic Design, Multimedia Design and Desktop Publishing offer many new opportunities in today's employment market.

Animation Career Opportunities

Character Animator, 3D Modeler, Character Designer, Special Effects Artist, Gaming Animator, Storyboard Artist, 3D Lighting Specialist, 3D Layout Specialist, Web Animation Designer, Motion Graphics Designer, CD-ROM or DVD designer.

Facilities

Cerritos College computer graphics classes are taught in two digital classrooms equipped with Macintosh computers, flatbed scanners, a slide scanner and large-format color printers. Software includes current versions of Lightwave 3D, Adobe Creative Suite: Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign, Dreamweaver, Flash and Apple Final Cut Pro. The Cerritos Department of Art and Design has studio classrooms for printmaking, painting and drawing, sculpture, and ceramics.

Contact Information

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Division of Fine Arts & Communication	ext. 2600

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Recommended Courses of Study

GRAPHIC DESIGN

FIRST SEMESTER

ART 110	Freehand Drawing	3
ART 120	Two Dimensional Design	3
ART 186	Computer Graphics w. Adobe Illustrator	

SECOND SEMESTER

ART 112	Life Drawing	3
ART 121	Three Dimensional Design	3
ART 182A	Lettering & Typography I	3

THIRD SEMESTER

ART 102	Appreciation and History	3
	or ART 103 Modern & Contemporary Appreciation	(3)
ART 192	Photoshop/Digital Imaging	3
ART 196	Web Design with Flash & Dreamweaver	3

FOURTH SEMESTER

ART 188	Design for Desktop Publishing	3
ART 184	Graphic Design I	3

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COMPUTER ANIMATION

FIRST SEMESTER

ART 110	Freehand Drawing	3
ART 120	Two Dimensional Design	3
ENG 244	Creative Writing	3

SECOND SEMESTER

ART 112	Life Drawing	3
ART 121	Three Dimensional Design	3
ART 190	Animation Principles	3

THIRD SEMESTER

ART 102	Appreciation and History	3
	or ART 103 Modern & Contemporary Appreciation	(3)
ART 195	Modeling for Animation	3
ART 191A	3D Computer Animation	3

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ART 191B	3D Computer Animation Project	3
ART 193	Motion Picture Editing	3

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How to plan your class schedule

See a Cerritos College Counselor

For help in planning your classes. The counselors have up-to-date information about the AA Degree and transfer requirements.

For an appointment, call 562-860-2451 extension 2231.

General Education courses are very important to all students pursuing an AA Degree or planning to transfer to a four year university. Try to balance courses in your major with general education courses in your schedule.

The Art Foundation courses provide the skills and knowledge necessary for success in the all Design and Animation courses. These courses are fully transferable to CSU and UC. Students should complete studio foundation courses within their first year.

Animation students should complete ART 190 in their first year.

Transfer Program

Common Lower Division Preparation For CSU

Art and Design Foundations

ART 102	Appreciation and History	3
ART 103	Appreciation and History	3
ART 120	Two Dimensional Design	3
ART 121	Three Dimensional Design	3

Additional Art courses for California State University may vary between campuses. Please see the Cerritos College Fine Art counselors to discuss the specific requirements for the CSU you plan to attend.

Other Cerritos classes may transfer as CSU electives.

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