BACHELOR OF (BDES) DESIGN

Learn to see the world more clearly while you create innovative solutions and build your technical skills for industry and community that shape how our world looks and functions.

OFFERS COURSES IN...
- Drawing
- Intermedia
- Industrial design
- Painting
- Printmaking
- Sculpture
- Visual communication design

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DESIGN DEGREE?
I COULD BE A... professional artist, photographer, curator, critical writer, app developer, designer of games, graphics, sports products or medical products.
I COULD WORK IN A... gallery, museum, artist-run centre, communications office, or advertising agency; or continue graduate study to become a teacher, professor, or architect.

TOP 5 REASONS TO STUDY DESIGN
1. Customize your degree program by taking courses in all three areas offered by the department with the guidance of instructors who are award-winning artists, designers, and historians.
2. Spend hands-on time in the studio preparing yourself and your portfolio for the next steps in your Art & Design career; hone your academic skills in the history of art, design, and visual culture; and learn how to analyze and critique.
3. Prepare for a career in Art & Design by expanding your creative potential and building your innovative problem-solving, critical thinking, research, and presentation skills.
4. Gain career-related, paid experience through an Arts Work Experience term.
5. Participate in the Berlin e3 program and combine German language study, internship, and academic coursework.

WE ARE ALL TREATY PEOPLE
The University of Alberta respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 6 territory, traditional lands of First Nations and Métis people.

STUDENT SUPPORTS
These are services that enable you to pursue academic and personal success.
- Academic advising
- Student Ombuds
- Indigenous Student supports
- Academic support
- Health & Wellness
- Campus Food Bank
- Libraries
- International Student supports
- Accessibility resources
- Financial aid & awards
- Professional & career development
- Mental health supports

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ENHANCE YOUR HONORS DEGREE
ADD A CERTIFICATE IN:
- International Learning
- Computer Game Development

CONNECT TO EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:
- BDes practicum, design exchange program to the Münster University of Applied Sciences
- e3 Berlin, Arts Work Experience, Community Service-Learning.

2021 - 2022 ACADEMIC YEAR
**BACHELOR OF DESIGN DEGREE GUIDE**

Your University experience is about what happens inside and outside of the classroom. This map is a tool to help you complement your academics with hands-on learning outside of the classroom and take advantage of student activities. Each new step will help you explore your options, take measured risks, and inform your next step. Being informed and engaged leads to a richer journey throughout your degree and beyond!

**EARLY DEGREE**
Expand your career options, be proactive and get involved in campus life.

- Join the Student Design Association (SDA).
- Participate in the Münster Design Exchange or the Berlin e3 program and combine German language study, internship and academic course work.

**INTERESTED IN GETTING CREDIT FOR A BDES PRACTICUM IN YOUR FINAL YEAR?** Start talking to professors and contacting companies.

**LATE DEGREE**
Develop and revise your career story based on your values, interests, and what you learn.

- Present your work in the Bachelor of Design Grad Show and network with design professionals at Industry Night.

**Ready to toss your cap in the air? Apply to graduate!**

- Let the Career Centre support you in communicating your skills and experience to prepare for your next steps.
- Talk to professors about preparing your portfolio for your next steps, or ask for an academic reference for a graduate program.

**MID-DEGREE**
Take risks, try new things, ask for and offer help to people you know and people you meet.

- Add research to your degree with Undergraduate Research Initiative!

**GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE**
- Global perspective

**GAIN EXPERIENCE**
- Gain experience

**SEEK OUT CONNECTIONS**
- Seek out connections

**NAVIGATE COURSES**
- Navigate courses

**INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL**
Go on a study tour over Reading Week to destinations like Berlin, London, New York, Paris and Barcelona.

- Visit the Fine Arts Building (FAB) Gallery and start getting to know Edmonton’s Art & Design organizations.

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