BIS DEGREE PROGRAM - COLLEGE OF DESIGN

PREREQUISITES, REQUIREMENTS AND GUIDELINES

Some minor programs housed in the College of Design may be used as models for BIS non-CLA areas of concentration. Students with concentrations in these areas may be required to take 1/2xxx-level preparatory courses, but only courses numbered 3xxx and above will be included in the BIS program. Consult the program adviser for assistance in designing your BIS concentration. BIS concentrations are not allowed in Apparel Design, Graphic Design or Interior Design.

Design Studies concentrations follow the interdisciplinary minor and students must declare the design minor. Call 612/624-1717 to set up an appointment with an advisor. Students must complete one course from each of the following two categories:

Introductory Design Thinking "Big Picture"
- ARCH 1701 - The Designed Environment (3 cr)
- DES 1101W - Introduction to Design Thinking (4 cr)
- LA 1001 - Sustainability by Design (3 cr)
- LA 1401 - The Designed Environment (3 cr)

Introductory Design Thinking "Hands-on"
- ARCH 1281 - Design Fundamentals I (4 cr)
- DES 1111 - Creative Problem Solving (3 cr)
- DES 2101 - Design and Visual Presentation (3 cr)
- GDES 1315 - Foundations: The Graphic Studio (4 cr)
- GDES 3312 - Color and Form in Surface Design (3 cr)
- LA 1301 - Introduction to Landscape Architecture Drawing (3 cr)
- ME 2011 - Introduction to Engineering (4 cr)
- PDES 3711 - Toy Product Design (4 cr)

The remainder of the concentration is comprised of courses from a list of approved electives, available at:
https://webapps-prd.oit.umn.edu/pcas/viewCatalogProgram.do?programID=577&strm=1123&campus=UMNTC

Architectural Studies concentrations follow the Architecture minor. Call 612/626-3690 to set up an appointment with the Architectural Studies advisor, Chris Schlichting.

The following courses are required for the concentration:
- ARCH 1281: Design Fundamentals I (spring term only; 4 cr)
- ARCH 1701: The Designed Environment (fall term only; 3 cr) OR
  ARCH 3711W: Environmental Design and the Sociocultural Context (fall term only; 3 cr)
- ARCH 3411: Architectural History to 1750 (fall term only; 3 cr) OR
- ARCH 3412: Architectural History Since 1750 (spring term only; 3 cr)
- ARCH 4561: Architecture and Ecology (spring term only; 3 cr)

The remainder of the concentration is composed of 3/4xxx-level Architecture courses (Arch 3351 and Arch 3352 are not allowed).

Retail Merchandising concentrations require RM 1201: Design, Merchandising, and the Consumer (3 cr) before submission of the program proposal. In addition, RM 2215: Multichannel Retailing (3 cr; spring; prereq 1201) is required for the concentration.

The remainder of the concentration must consist of at least twelve credits, chosen from the following elective courses*:
- RM 3242: Retail Buying (3cr; fall; prereq 1201 & 2215)
- RM 3243: Visual Merchandising (3 cr; spring; prereq 1101 & 1201)
- RM 4117W: Retail Environments and Human Behavior (3 cr; fall; prereq 2215 & 3243)
- RM 4216: Retail Promotion and Consumer Decision Making (4cr; fall; prereq 1201 & Mktg 4040)
- RM 4217: International Developments in Textiles and Apparel (3 cr; spring; prereq 1201 & Econ 1102)
- RM 4247: Advanced Buying and Sourcing (3 cr; spring; prereq 3242)

*Pending RM approval, one non-UMN transfer course is allowed as an elective in the concentration.

Housing Studies concentrations require HSG 2401: Introduction to Housing (3 cr) and HSG 2463: Housing and Community Development (3 cr). The remainder of the concentration must consist of at least fifteen credits, chosen from elective courses found at: http://www.design.umn.edu/prospective_students/programs/documents/HousingStudiesMinor2011-125-20-11.pdf

For more information about Retail Merchandising or Housing Studies, contact 240 McNeal Hall, St. Paul Campus, 612/624-1717.