

Associate of Applied Science: Graphic Design This program will prepare you for careers in the field of visual communication. The program focuses on traditional and computer graphics, advertising and digital prepress. Employment opportunities are found in print shops, advertising agencies, newspapers and publications, and marketing departments in other businesses and industries.

Students must demonstrate college-level proficiency in reading, writing, and mathematics as prerequisites for courses within this program. Skills in these areas may affect the sequence of courses in which you can enroll and may also extend the time required to complete this program. For more details, see the Academic Placement and Testing section. Graphic Design (MGD) courses must be completed with a grade of “C” or better to move to the next course in sequence or to satisfy graduation requirements.

Graduates of the program will receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Graphic Design.

The Graphic Design degree is offered at Glenwood Springs-Spring Valley. See the section on Courses for more detail.

Please see your advisor for a recommended sequence of courses to develop your own schedule.



The Spring Valley digital imaging lab is equipped with industry-standard hardware and software.

PLUS choose one of the following:

_____	MGD241 Web Design II	3
_____	MGD287 Cooperative Education	3
_____	Advised Elective (MGD, CWB, ART)	3

General Education Requirements (15 credits)

_____	🔒 ENG 121 English Composition I	3
_____	* COM 115 Public Speaking	3
_____	MAT 107 Career Math	3
	<i>OR</i>	
_____	🔒 MAT 121 College Algebra	(4)
_____	🔒 PSY 101 General Psychology	3
	<i>OR</i>	
_____	* PSY 106 Human Relations	(3)
_____	🔒 ART 110 Art Appreciation	3
	<i>OR</i>	
_____	🔒 ART 111 Art History Renaissance to Modern	(3)
		15-16

Program Requirements (51 credits)

_____	* ART 131 Visual Concepts 2-D Design	3
_____	* ART 143 Digital Photography I	3
_____	* MAN216 Small Business Management	3
	<i>OR</i>	
_____	* BUS 115 Introduction to Business	(3)
_____	MGD101 Introduction to Computer Graphics	3
_____	MGD105 Typography & Layout	3
_____	MGD111 Adobe Photoshop I	3
_____	MGD112 Adobe Illustrator I	3
_____	MGD118 Digital Color Theory	3
_____	MGD133 Graphic Design I	3
_____	MGD134 Drawing for Illustrators	3
_____	MGD141 Web Design I	3
_____	MGD143 Motion Graphic Design I	3
_____	MGD203 Design & Concept	3
_____	MGD213 Electronic Prepress	3
_____	MGD233 Graphic Design II	3
_____	MGD289 Capstone	3
		48

Minimum Credit Hours Required

66-67

Minimum Contact Hours Required

1327.5-1350