

DIGITAL GRAPHICS TECHNOLOGY - ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Doña Ana Community College 2026-2027 Catalog (60-61 credits)

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Prefix	Title	Credits
General Education		
<i>Select one course from four of the following six content areas for a total of 12-14 credits ^{1,2}</i>		12-14
This degree requires courses from Areas I, II, and VI; students must select one course from the remaining areas to complete General Education requirements.		
Area I: Communications - English Composition Level 1		
ENGL 1110G	Composition I ³	
Area II: Mathematics		
Any Area II MATH G course (3-4 credits) ³		
Area III: Laboratory Sciences		
Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences		
Area V: Humanities		
Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts		
ARTS 1145G	Visual Concepts ³	
<i>General Education Elective - Area I: Communications - Oral Communications</i>		
COMM 1130G	Public Speaking ³	3
or COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	
Core Requirements		
<i>Related Requirements</i>		
FDMA 2998	Internship	3
or FDMA 2287	Digital Design Studio	
Major Requirements		
<i>Technical Requirements</i>		
FDMA 1120	Desktop Publishing	3
FDMA 1360	Web Design I	3
FDMA 1515	Introduction to Digital Image Editing - Photoshop	3
FDMA 1535	Introduction to Illustrator	3
FDMA 1536	Advanced Computer Illustration	3
FDMA 1545	Introduction to Photography & Digital Imaging	3
FDMA 1630	Principles of Design	3
FDMA 2150	Desktop Publishing II	3
FDMA 2312	History of Media Design	3
FDMA 2325	Advanced Photoshop	3
FDMA 2360	Web Design II	3

or FDMA 2365	Web Design for Small Business	
FDMA 2994	Portfolio Design & Development	3
Electives, to bring the total credits to 60		
Any FDMA, ARTS, DRFT		5
Total Credits		60-61

- ¹ Each course selected must be from a different area and students cannot take multiple courses in the same area.
- ² See the General Education (<https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/dona-ana/general-education-and-transfer-options/transfer-new-mexico-institutions/>) section of the catalog for a full list of courses.
- ³ Courses are identical to those offered at New Mexico State University Las Cruces (main) Campus.

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A Suggested Plan of Study

The contents of this roadmap may vary depending on initial student placement in mathematics and English. This is only a suggested plan of study for students, and is not intended as a contract. Individual student academic plans may vary. Please contact your academic advisor to create a plan that works for you. Course availability may vary from fall to spring semester and may be subject to modification or change.

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Semester 1	Credits
Area I: Communications - English Composition Level 1	4
ENGL 1110G	Composition I
Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts	3
ARTS 1145G	Visual Concepts
FDMA 1120	Desktop Publishing
FDMA 1515	Introduction to Digital Image Editing - Photoshop
FDMA 1535	Introduction to Illustrator
Credits	
16	
Semester 2	
Area II: Mathematics	3
Any Area II MATH G course	
General Education Elective - Area I: Communications - Oral Communications	
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication
or COMM 1130G	or Public Speaking
FDMA 1360	Web Design I
FDMA 1545	Introduction to Photography & Digital Imaging
FDMA 1630	Principles of Design
Credits	
15	
Semester 3	
General Education - Choose one course from NM General Education Areas III, IV, or V in the NMSU/DACC Catalog.	
FDMA 1536	Advanced Computer Illustration
Credits	
3	

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FDMA 2312	History of Media Design	3
FDMA 2325	Advanced Photoshop	3
FDMA 2360 or FDMA 2365	Web Design II or Web Design for Small Business	3
Credits		15-16
Semester 4		
FDMA 2150	Desktop Publishing II	3
FDMA 2994	Portfolio Design & Development	3
FDMA 2998 or FDMA 2287	Internship or Digital Design Studio	3
FDMA Electives - Any ARTS, FDMA, or DRFT to make up electives		5
Credits		14
Total Credits		60-61