

TRANSITION FROM THE COLLEGE TO WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY AUTUMN 2026

Disclaimer: This suggested study pattern is based on the information currently available and is intended as a general guide only. Students are advised to refer to the official Academic Handbook and consult with their Academic Program Advisor (APA) to confirm their individual study plan.

Guide for students transitioning from 7194 Diploma in Creative Industries and Communication to 1571 Bachelor of Design (Visual Communication)

More information on your chosen Bachelor Degree, including the sequence of study, can be found on the [University website](#) or in the [Student Handbook](#).

PATHWAY CREDITS

Your pathway credits are shown below and can be [found online](#).

Upon successful completion of your Diploma, you will receive full credit for the following subjects:

- DESN1011 - Image Design
- DESN1021 - Web and Time-Based Design
- DESN2001 - Australian Design
- DESN1003 - Design Histories and Futures
- Unspecified Electives - 40 credit points

NOTE: Students are strongly encouraged to consult with University academic staff, as this bachelor's degree typically requires a longer duration to complete.

STUDY SEQUENCE

The recommended study sequence for students commencing in Autumn semester is:

Year	Semester	Subject Code and Name
2	Autumn	DESN1009 - Graphic Design: Understanding the Principles DESN2014 - Researching the Visual
2	Spring	DESN1007 - Graphic Branding and Identity DESN1018 - Visual Storytelling

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3	Autumn	DESN2005 - Graphic Design: Interactive Digital Media Select one Design specialist subject from the selected subject pairing: • DESN2007 - Illustrating Narrative • COMM2019 - Interactive Design: Games • DESN2011 - Motion Design • DESN2013 - Photomedia: Photographic Practice
3	Spring	DESN2006 - Graphic Design: The Professional Context Select one Design specialist subject from the selected subject pairing: • DESN3002 - Data Visualisation • DESN3007 - Illustrating Popular Culture • DESN3008 - Interactive Design: Apps • VISU3002 - Photomedia: Fashion and Identity
4	Autumn	DESN3013 - Social Design: Research and Practice DESN3001 - Contextual Design Studies Select one Design specialist subject from the selected subject pairing: • DESN2007 - Illustrating Narrative • COMM2019 - Interactive Design: Games • DESN2011 - Motion Design • DESN2013 - Photomedia: Photographic Practice
4	Spring	DESN3006 - Graphic Design: Developing a personal Portfolio DESN3003 - Design Research Project Select one Design specialist subject from the selected subject pairing: • DESN3002 - Data Visualisation • DESN3007 - Illustrating Popular Culture • DESN3008 - Interactive Design: Apps • VISU3002 - Photomedia: Fashion and Identity
5	Autumn	DESN4007 - Professional Design Experience: The Studio DESN4005 - Major Design Project
5	Spring	DESN4006 - Professional Design Experience: The Individual Practitioner DESN4005 - Major Design Project