

## MGD to Technical Communication and Information Design (BA)

This Associate of Applied Science degree in Multimedia Graphic Design is designed for Colorado Community College System (PPSC) students who want to transfer to UCCS and complete a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Technical Communication and Information Design (TCID) with the Design and Media option. It is based on the [best academic advising choices](#) for future UCCS students. Please note that final graduation requirements for the bachelor's degree will be based on your year of admission to UCCS. Contact [transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu) for more information.

To earn the Associate of Applied Science Degree, students must complete the following course requirements for a minimum of 66 credit hours. Additional courses may be taken (see note on Physical and Life Sciences). Courses taken at other colleges, AP, IB, CLEP, DSST, and other sources of credit may not be applicable upon transfer to UCCS even if applied to the associate's degree at PPSC. Check the CDHE's [GT Pathways](#) website for more information.

To transfer to UCCS, students should have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better.

Degree Requirements	Courses	
<b>Written Communication</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ENG 1021</li> </ul> <i>Note: Students who test into ENG 122/1022 should take ENG 201/2001 or HIS 265/2765 as their second written communication course.</i>	
<b>Oral Communication</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COM 1150</li> </ul>	
<b>Mathematics</b> (4 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MAT 1240</li> </ul>	
<b>Arts &amp; Humanities</b> (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ART 1110 and ART 1002</li> </ul>	
<b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences*</b> (6 – 9 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete 2 -3 GT-SS Courses (<a href="#">GT-SS1</a>) (<a href="#">GT-SS2</a>) (<a href="#">GT-SS3</a>)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GEO 1006 highly recommended (<i>fulfills UCCS Inclusiveness requirement</i>)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Physical and Life Sciences*</b> (9 hours - optional)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete 2-3 GT-SC courses. (<a href="#">GT-SC1</a>) (<a href="#">GT-SC2</a>)</li> </ul> At least one course MUST come from the GT-SC1 category. <i>See Note below about options.*</i>	
<b>Additional Requirements</b> (42 hours) Courses recommended by UCCS for this degree.  *UCCS requires 9 hours of Natural Sciences. If preferred, take 9 hours of GT-SC courses instead of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> GT-SS course before transferring. The third GT-SS course would then be taken at UCCS.	<b>ENG 131/1031 = TCID 2090</b>	3
	<b>Design and Media Track electives</b> - Complete all three of the following: MGD 102/1002, MGD 141/1041, MGD 134/1034	9
	<b>MGD Courses for the AAS</b> MGD 1020 or MGD 1017 MGD 1011 or ART 1005 MGD 1012 MGD 1013 MGD 1014 MGD 1043 or MGD 1065 MGD 2013 MGD 2021 MGD 2042 MGD 2089	30

### Other AA/AS Requirements

- A minimum of 60 credit hours in a prescribed program of study with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (a C average). At least 15 of these credit hours must be earned from CCCS.
- Career and technical courses, whether taken at another institution or at CCCS, are not accepted toward this degree without approval of the CCCS Vice President for Instructional Services. Approval is given only when it is appropriate to the educational objectives of the student.
- Courses numbered below 1000 do not apply towards degrees.

### Language other than English - UCCS

Beginning fall 2023, the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences at UCCS requires all students to meet a language requirement equivalent to two semesters of beginner-level instruction in a language other than English before graduation. Students will have fulfilled the requirement upon admission by having completed any of the following equivalents to the first two semesters of language courses (1010/1020) at UCCS: two years of the same world language in high school; AP, IB, or CLEP scores; or completion of a World Language course 1012 or higher in the Colorado Community College System. Students who graduated from high school prior to 1993 and veteran and active duty military students in specific situations will be exempt. Students may test out of all or part of the requirement by taking a placement exam at UCCS. **Please contact a Transfer Advisor ([transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu)) with questions.**

### Additional Resources

The UCCS transfer website ([www.uccs.edu/transfer](http://www.uccs.edu/transfer)) has many additional resources for students transferring from PPSC to UCCS.

## Four-Year Degree Plan - Technical Communication and Information Design

The following four-year plan lists all the specific course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Technical Communication and Information Design degree at UCCS. Courses are listed by the course number at the appropriate institution. The order in which these courses are taken may vary with course availability. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** Please note that this is a *suggested* degree program; your program may vary.

### Suggested First Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	MGD 1002	3		MGD 1013	3
	MGD 1011 or ART 1005	3		MGD 1014	3
	MGD 1012	3		MGD 1020 or 1017	3
	ART 1110	3		ART 1002	3
	COM 115/1150	3		ENG 1021	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		15			15

### Suggested Second Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	MGD 1034	3		MGD 2021	3
	MGD 1041	3		MGD 2042	3
	MGD 1043 or MGD 1065	3		MGD 2089	3
	MGD 2013	3		MAT 1240	4
	GT-SS course – GEO 1006	3		GT-SS course	3
	ENG 1031	3		GT-SS course*	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		18			19

### Suggested Third Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	TCID 3100	3		TCID 3120	3
	ENGL 3110	3		TCID 3860	3
	TCID Practice/Theory Course	3		TCID 3865	3
	Natural Science Elective (w/ lab)*	4		TCID Practice/Theory Course	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		13			15

### Suggested Fourth Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	TCID 4060 (spring only) or TCID 4065 (fall)	3		TCID 4080 (spring)	3
	TCID Practice/Theory Course	3		TCID 4090 (spring)	3
	HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective ( <i>Sustainability</i> )	3
	Upper Division (UD) TCID Elective	3		UD General Elective ( <i>Cultural Diversity</i> )	3
	Natural Science Elective*	2			
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		12			12

### UCCS Bachelor of Arts, Technical Communication and Information Design Major Requirements

- A minimum of 120 hours must be completed with a cumulative CU grade point average of 2.0; at least 45 of these hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
- The Technical Communication and Information Design major requires a minimum of 48 hours with a grade point average of 2.0, and at least 36 of the hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
- The last 30 hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences at UCCS.
- In addition to the requirements listed here, students are required to complete one course in Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity and Global Awareness. The courses may be within the major, part of general education, or general electives. Technical Communication and Information Design majors can meet the Oral Communication and Global Awareness requirements by completing COM 115/1150 and ANT 101/1001 at the community college.

Prospective Student Advising: Transfer Advisor ([transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu))