

TRANSFER STUDENT

Application Instructions

Graphic Design Program
University of the Incarnate Word

Transfer students who wish to start the program have two options, depending on their background and graphic design courses they have already taken.

OPTIONS

1 Enter as a 1st year in the Graphic Design program, no transfer portfolio required.

This option is for transfer students without a portfolio or enough graphic design courses. They can start the 4-year degree with us and transfer their core courses. This option will take 4 years to be able to graduate. A meeting with faculty advisor is required to assess and coordinate transition. A portfolio review will be required after their first year with graphic design courses at UIW for official entrance into the program.



2 Enter as a 2nd year in the Graphic Design program, submission and approval of transfer portfolio is required

This option assesses previous school work and course equivalency. If applicant is approved to start in year two, it will take 3 remaining years to complete the BFA. Here are the requirements:

A. Course Equivalency—Send a transcript that shows proof of courses equivalent to those in our freshmen year. Also, provide a link to the school's syllabus or course descriptions.

- GDSN 1100 Orientation to Graphic Design (this could be waived)
- GDSN 1301 Graphic Design Software
- GDSN 1380 Foundations of Design
- GDSN 1390 Typography I
- GDSN 1410 Image Lab
- ARTS Drawing I

B. Portfolio—Submit portfolio of projects. This can be link to a website, physical or a digital PDF. For PDF, make sure to provide work in a multi-page layout. Limit portfolio to 10 projects. See enclosed Transfer Student Portfolio Review Application with rubric of assessment.

C. Statement—Describe what you learned at your previous school and why you want to study GD at UIW (300-500 words).

Send all files to program coordinator, Doris Palmeros at palmeros@uiwtx.edu or email to coordinate a drop off if submitting a physical portfolio.

AFTER ASSESSMENT

The *Transfer Student Portfolio Review Application* will be assessed and filled out by faculty and sent to applicant. Depending on outcome, faculty will advice student on which classes to register for the following semester.