

Design, Minor

Minor in Design

Overview

Minoring in Design is a great way for students to diversify their studies and incorporate design skills and thinking into their overall academic experiences. Students who are already School of Design majors are not eligible to earn a Design minor. The 54 required units must be unique to the Design minor. No courses may be double counted.

Curriculum

For a design minor, students must complete 54 units: 27 units of required courses, plus 27 units of design electives.

Required Design Courses 27 units

Three required courses:		Units
51-262	Communication and Digital Design Fundamentals (formerly CDF)	9
or 51-261	Communication & Digital Design Fundamentals	
51-264	Product Design Fundamentals (formerly IDF)	9
51-173	Human Experience in Design	9

Design Elective Courses 27 units

Three Design Electives:		Units
51-xxx	Design Elective	9
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The balance of coursework (27 units of design electives) is drawn from design courses that are scheduled in consultation with the design advisor. You must have design advisor approval before registering for these courses. Students' home advisors should help them integrate minor or elective courses with their overall plans for graduation. Keep in mind that a minor is not intended to be an overload.

Minimum units required for the Minor in Design: 54

Applications

Students must submit transcripts, personal statements, and completed applications by the beginning of February, and submit portfolios or design projects by the beginning of March. They must also obtain permission to complete minors from their major advisors. The minor application form includes detailed requirements.

Admission depends mainly on a student's demonstration of design skills and aptitude. Students are notified of acceptance by the end of March.

If you are interested in applying for the Minor in Design, please contact Design Advisor, Mandy Best (mandyb@andrew.cmu.edu). You can download the Design Project and Application here (<https://www.design.cmu.edu/about-our-programs/undergraduate-degrees/minor-design>). Paper applications are also available at the School of Design office, MMCH 110.