

Certificate

This certificate prepares students for entry-level positions in desktop publishing, production for print or electronic design, typesetting and for technical jobs in service bureaus and printing companies. Students who wish to pursue a career in design are urged to obtain the Associate of Applied Science degree in Multimedia, Graphic Design and Illustration. If students choose to continue their education, all of the classes in the certificate can be applied to the associate degree. All students taking courses in the program must take a placement exam that covers Macintosh operations and design software literacy. Students whose placement examinations indicate they do not have these skills must enroll in MGD 101 as a prerequisite prior to entering the program. This course can be used to fulfill three credit hours of restricted electives. Typing and basic math skills are highly recommended.

Please note that the Major Courses are listed in the order in which they should be taken

Major Courses – 24 credit hours

	MGD 105 Typography and Layout	3
	MGD 133 Graphic Design I OR	3
	ART 131 Design I	3
	MGD 103 Production Design	3
	MGD 112 Adobe Illustrator I	3
	MGD 113 QuarkXPress	3
	MGD 114 Adobe InDesign	3
	MGD 111 Adobe Photoshop I	3
	MGD 256 Graphic Design Production	3

Restricted Electives – 6 credit hours Choose from the following:

	MGD 101 Introduction to Computer Grapics	3
	MGD 102 Introduction to Multimedia	3
	MGD 117 Introduction to Visual Communication	3
	MGD 141 Web Design I	3
	MGD 143 Motion Graphic Design I: Flash	3
	MGD 155 LightWave I	3
	MGD 211 Photoshop II	3
	MGD 212 Illustrator II	3
	MGD 260 Graphic Design Production II	3
	MGD 280 Internship	3
	MGD 287 Cooperative Education	3
	MGD 289 Capstone	3

IMPORTANT PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Please see Advising with any questions concerning this program; 303.797.5664 or Advising@arapahoe.edu.

ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENTS:

Basic Skills courses may be required based on assessment scores. It is the student's responsibility to take these course requirements within the first 30 credits at ACC. Basic Skills courses are also available at other area community colleges.

Tested Out/ Completed	Semester	ACT/ SAT Last 2 yrs	Accuplacer	Course	Credits
Sentence Skills					
			25-49	See Developmental Studies Advisor	
			50-69	ENG060	3
			70-94	ENG090	3
		18/440	95-120	ENG 121	3
Reading					
			25-39	See Developmental Studies Advisor	
			40-61	REA060	3
			62-79	REA090	3
		17/430	80-120	REA 112	3
Mathematics					
		Arithmetic	24-56	MAT030	2
		Arithmetic	57-120	MAT060	3
		Elem. Alg.	45-60	MAT090	4
		Elem. Alg.	61-84	MAT106/111	5
		19/460	85-120	MAT 120,121,123,135/179	4
Study Skills/Orientation					
	Academic Achievement Strategies			AAA090	3
	College Orientation			AAA101	1
	Advanced Academic Achievement			AAA 109	3

EXEMPTIONS TO ASSESSMENT TESTING:

- Have successfully completed a college-level mathematics and college-level English course with a grade of C or better. You must provide a transcript.
- Have achieved the minimum ACT/SAT scores shown above within the last 2 years and provide documentation.
- Have successfully completed necessary remedial course(s), if required with a "C" or better.
- Have earned an Associate's degree or higher. You must provide documentation.
- Some degree programs do not allow a waiver for the CPT.

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Admission and Records	admissions@arapahoe.edu	M2470	303.797.5621
Advising and Counseling Center	advising@arapahoe.edu	M 2010	303.797.5664
Bookstore	0249mgr@fhcg.follett.com	M1200	303.797.5676
Campus Police	campuspolice@arapahoe.edu	M2600	303.797.5800
Career Center	careers@arapahoe.edu	M2025	303.797.5805
Cashier		M2300	303-797-5638
Child Development Center		N1000	303.797.5678
Disability Services	heather.lawler@arapahoe.edu	M2710	303.797.5937 v/tty
Financial Aid		M2115	303.797.5661
	• Apply online at www.FAFSA.ed.gov		
Information Central	info-central@arapahoe.edu	M2800	303-797-4222
Library	library@arapahoe.edu	M2500	303.797.5090
Math Lab	math@arapahoe.edu	M3610	303.797.5877
	• Students must register for MAT 101 Enhanced Mathematics Lab		
Open Computer Lab		M1650	303.797.5907
Student Affairs	heather.lawler@arapahoe.edu	M2820	303.797.5668
Testing Center		M2280	303.797.5993
Tutorial Services	debra.goldberg@arapahoe.edu	M2710	303.797.5937 v/tty
Writing Center		M2855	303.797.5830

Location Abbreviations:

A – Annex	AD – Art and Design Center
CSB – Church Street Building	M – Main Building
UCC – University Center @ Chaparral (15653 Brookstone Dr, Parker)	N – North Building

TRANSFER INFORMATION:

- It is important that you consult an advisor and the transfer institution when choosing courses, as certain majors have particular degree prerequisites and general education course requirements that need to be taken within the Associate degree program.
- Students who complete a 60 credit hour A.A./A.S. degree with appropriate course requirements and grades of C or better may be able to complete a Baccalaureate degree in 60 additional credits after transferring to a 4-year public institution.
- Consult your ACC Advisor about Colorado's 60 + 60 plans.
- ACC has articulation agreements with several four-year institutions; visit the ACC Transfer Center of the website (www.arapahoe.edu) for more information.

SUGGESTIONS FOR SUCCESS

- Obtain and read a copy of the ACC catalog.
- Attend a New Student Orientation session.
- Maintain current contact information on file and read all correspondence from ACC.
- Take your CPT or be exempted (see above) before meeting with an academic advisor.
- Take English, Speech and Math classes early in your program.
- See your advisor about balancing your workload with credit load.
- If you want to graduate in two years, take a minimum of fifteen college-level credits per fall/spring semester or twelve credits Fall/Spring and six credits Summer.
- Transfer and financial aid students should consult an advisor before registering.

GRADUATION INFORMATION

- No catalog more than six years old may be used for graduation requirements; the 2007/2008 catalog may not be used beyond the Spring 2013 semester.
- You must apply for graduation; obtain the application online at www.arapahoe.edu (Student Services) and apply by: April 1 (summer graduation), July 1 (fall graduation) and November 1 (spring graduation).**

For more information log on to www.arapahoe.edu.

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