The Design Minor builds a solid understanding of the principles, processes, and applications of Design. The minor consists of 25 credit hours from the department's offerings, including the core courses. At least 13 credit hours must be in courses at the 300-level or above.

No permissions or approvals are required to pursue the Design Minor, though students should alert college or school counselors of their intent to complete the minor so that the correct plan can be assigned to their records.

Core requirements: 17-19 credit hours

- Design methods course (3 credit hours)
- Design 230 – Basic Design Concepts for Non-Majors
- Drawing course (3 credit hours)
  Select one course from the following list:
  Design 201+, 203(formerly Design 199)+, 205
- Design history course (3-5 credit hours)
  Select one course from the following list:
  Design 200 (formerly 160) (5), 259^ (3)
- Studio courses (8 credit hours)
  Select two courses from the following list:
  Design 570 (4), 571 (4), 573 (4)

General electives: 8 credit hours

Select courses from the following:

If Design 570 is not taken in the Studio courses category above select from: Design 310 (3), 320 (4)

If Design 573 is not taken in the studio courses category above select from: Design 340 (3), 552^ (3), 554^ (3), 555^ (3), 656^ (3), 673 (4)

Electives from outside departments:
- Communications 310 (5), 311 (5), 423 (5)
- En Graph 304 (3)
- Industrial and Systems Engineering 670 (3)
- Mechanical Engineering 621^ (3), 682~ (4)
- Theatre 341> (3), 621> (3), 643< (3)
- CS:FSNRTS 370

+Pre-requisite 201 for 203, and 203 for 205.
^ Permission of Instructor
~ Mechanical Engineering students may use this course to count on the Design Minor.
> Pre-req Theatre 220
< Pre-req Theatre 341

Design minor program guidelines

- Required for graduation: No
- Credit hours required: A minimum of 25
- Transfer credit hours allowed: A maximum of 10
- Overlap with the GEC: Permitted
- Overlap with the major: Not allowed and
  - The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
  - The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.
- Overlap between minors: Each minor completed must contain 20 unique hours.
  - 100-level course: For every five credit hours of 100-level course work on the minor, the minimum total required for the minor is increased by five.
- Grades required
  - Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
  - Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
  - Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- Approval required
  The minor program description sheet indicates if the minor course work must be approved by:
  - The academic unit offering the minor, or
  - College/School Counselor
- Filing the minor program form: The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.
- Changing the minor: Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:
  - The academic unit offering the minor, or
  - College/School Counselor