UNIVERSITY *of* **WASHINGTON** | **BOTHELL**
FIRST YEAR AND PRE-MAJOR PROGRAM

INTERACTIVE MEDIA DESIGN (IMD)
Planning Worksheet 2021-2022
Interactive Media Design website

Prerequisite Courses: Grade

☐ Composition Course _____ _____
   (B WRIT 134, B WRIT 132/133 or other composition course)

☐ Introductory Course in Interactive Media/Design Thinking/Visual Art*_____ _____
   (Choose 1 from: B IMD 250, BIS 236, BIS 233, or BIS 209)

☐ Introductory Course in Web Development and Programming* _____ _____
   (B IMD 233**)

☐ Statistics/Quantitative Methods/Data Visualization _____ _____
   (Choose 1 from: BIS 232, BIS 215, B BUS 215, B MATH 215, or STMATH 341)

- A minimum 2.0 grade is required for each prerequisite
- It is recommended to take CSS 142 (limited programming section), if you have no programming experience.
- *Recommended to take as early as possible
- **Can instead take CSS 142/CSSSKL142 and a Web Design course at community college. See IMD website for details.
- **Please review additional courses Pre-Major students can take towards graduation requirements on page 2.**

General Education and Areas of Knowledge (+ courses count towards major prerequisites)

Writing Requirement – 15 credits	Natural World (NW) – 15 credits
☐ **+ B WRIT 134 or B WRIT 132/133 Composition or** _____	☐ Course: _____
☐ B WRIT 135 Research Writing _____	☐ Course: _____
☐ B IMD 481 Integrative Studio I (taken when in major)	☐ Course: _____

Visual, Literary, Performing Arts (VLPA) – 15 credits	Individuals & Societies (I&S) – 15 credits
☐ Course: _____	☐ Course: _____
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☐ Course: _____	☐ Course: _____

Quantitative & Symbolic Reasoning (QSR) – 5 cr	Diversity (DIV) – 3 credits
☐ **+ B IMD 233, BIS 232, BIS 215, B BUS 215, B MATH 215, or STMATH 341**	☐ Course: _____

General Electives or Other Courses
☐ _____
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Applying to IMD

(Subject to change. Please check with your advisor)

Application Deadlines:

QUARTER	APPLICATION OPENS	APPLICATION CLOSES
Autumn quarter only	February 1	April 1

- *You will hear if you have been admitted to IMD in late May or early June via UW email.*

Number of prerequisites that can be in progress at the time of application
- Complete all prerequisites by end of winter quarter to be more competitive.
- Applications are taken under consideration with one or two prerequisites courses in progress during Spring,

Additional Coursework: Pre-Major students can take the following coursework that can count towards graduation requirements for the IMD program.
- B WRIT 135
- Diversity (DIV) requirement
- Courses needed to complete VLPA/I&S/NW requirements. CSS/Interdisciplinary Arts (BIS, BISIA, BISMCS) courses can be great options.

Important Program Information:
- IMD is a cohort model where admitted students take core classes as a group. Admitted students are required to purchase an Apple MacBook Pro. Details are posted on the [IMD website](#).

Am I competitive? (Subject to change pending applicant pool):
- Admission is competitive because major is capacity constrained.
- Recommended grade of 3.0 or higher in each prerequisite in order to be competitive.
- **Repeats ok?** Yes, with an explanation. The higher grade is used for admission.
- *S/NS Grades during COVID-19*- For any quarter designated as having extenuating circumstances, IMD will consider a S (satisfactory) grade as fulfilling admission requirements, meaning a S grade will not negatively impact your application to the IMD program.

How to Apply:
- Please review the **IMD's How to Apply** section on **IMD's** website
- **Attach your unofficial transcripts** (including UW and other institutions you may have attended)
- **Resume(optional):** If you have IMD related work (including volunteering or internships) a resume is recommended.
- **Personal statement (required):** Visit the [IMD web-site](#) for personal statement prompts and personal statement tips.
  o The IMD admissions committee will be looking for candidates who clearly articulate their interest in and capacity to learn to work with digital tools, to engage with art and design thinking, to think critically about interactive media, and to work collaboratively with others in a diverse cohort. If you have any poor grades or gaps in your educational progress, you are encouraged to include a short explanation.
- **Design Portfolio (required):** IMD does not accept original artwork, thumb drives or DVDs. Please include a web-site address on the application. To learn more, visit the [IMD design portfolio web page](#).
  o The IMD admissions committee will review individual samples of creative and/or interactive media work and experience. A portfolio of work samples is useful since it gives the committee a sense of the range of an applicant's interests, skills, and capacities. Work samples may include graphic art/design, digital/media art, website development, video/film, games, apps, etc. They may come from previous coursework relevant to the IMD degree, including prerequisite courses, and/or from other non-academic (work or volunteer or artistic) contexts. If you submit work produced collaboratively, please describe your specific contribution.