

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

Department of Art
Fort Collins, CO 80523

GRAPHIC DESIGN MFA APPLICATION

Name

(last) (first) (middle)

Previous study in graphic design:

Instructor

Institution

Year

Other areas of art study besides graphic design:

Describe any related experiences which you feel may have bearing upon your graduate study. (i.e., travel, jobs, etc.)

SLIDES: Send 20-40 color slides of your art work, including at least 10 works in Graphic Design. Include slides of a detail of each work, and additional slides for any other important views. Slides should be of good quality, without distracting backgrounds.

Submit slides in notebook style plastic slide sheets. Each slide must be labeled with your name and a number that identifies it on an explanatory cover sheet. Slide labels and cover sheet must include the following for each work:

1. Dimensions
2. Techniques and materials
3. Date of completion
4. Whether or not the piece was done as a class project

GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS:

Graduate Teaching Assistantships for highly qualified students are sometimes available. In addition to the teaching obligation, other duties or responsibilities may include management and security of the studios and maintenance of equipment. It should be assumed that a true commitment beyond the normal two years for the degree will be undertaken if an assistantship is awarded.

NOTE: WE ENCOURAGE ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE M.F.A. PROGRAM AT CSU TO VISIT THE FACILITIES AND MEET THE FACULTY.

WRITTEN STATEMENT:

Include a statement (not more than one typewritten page) of your attitudes and philosophy of Graphic Design.

M.F.A. IN GRAPHIC DESIGN - PHILOSOPHY

The M.F.A. program in Graphic Design focuses on the artist as an agent of visual communication in society. With emphasis on conceptual problem solving and technical proficiency, graduate students are encouraged to create effective artistic expression in various print-related media. Graphic design theory, history, and professional practices are discussed regularly with faculty. Experimental treatments of typography and illustration are expected from participants in this program.

M.F.A. students will be required to work on campus in the Graphic Design studios, and must establish a schedule for critiques and consultations. Attendance at any group graduate reviews will be mandatory. Interaction between graduate and undergraduate students will be expected.

Graduate students are expected to develop to a full professional status. The M.F.A. is a 60-credit degree program and often requires three years to complete.