



Certificates & Classes

Graphic Software & Applications Certificate

1 st Semester	Credits	2 nd Semester	Credits
MGD 112 - Adobe Illustrator I	3	MGD 111 - Adobe Photoshop I	3
MGD 212 - Adobe Illustrator II	3	MGD 211 - Adobe Photoshop II	3

Prerequisites

- See your high school counselor to determine if this program is offered for your school and for eligibility criteria for participation in the program.
- Complete the Career Academy scholarship application packet as provided by your high school.
- Able to find transportation to and from classes at Aims Community College.

Course Requirements

- New students may start in the fall OR spring semester as slot availability allows.
- Attendance is mandatory - Coursework is not easily made up or able to be recreated at home
 - Excused absences may be granted for extenuating and documented circumstances.
 - All missed dates must be made up per the syllabus requirements.
- Internet and computer access to take online tests, quizzes, and assignments.
- **If a student fails a class, he/she may not continue in program/take the next class in the sequence.**

Materials Needed

- Textbooks and course materials will be supplied for Career Academy students at no charge.

Course Information

- The classes offer project-based, hands-on curriculum and creative design assignments.
- The skills learned in the classes for the Graphic Software & Applications Certificate are important skills for a successful career in the graphic design industry.
- All courses offered for the Graphic Software & Applications Certificate count towards the Graphic Design Associates Degree at Aims. Therefore, if the certificates are completed and the student chooses to continue and earn that associate's degree, the student will have fewer courses to complete than students that begin the degree after high school.

Career Path

- **Graphic designers:** Graphic designers are visual communication experts who design many products, including logos, ads, brochures, and product packaging.
- Employment of graphic designers is expected to grow at an average rate for all occupations through the year 2024, as demand for graphic design continues to remain consistent from advertisers, publishers, and computer design firms.

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