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# ARTS 091 COMPUTER GRAPHIC DESIGN I: PRINT MEDIA

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This schedule is a tentative outline of how the course assignments will progress through the semester. Dates and assignments are subject to change. Always refer to current project hand outs for updated information.

# Week 1 (Monday, Jan 11)

Review syllabus + course structure, Handout vital stat/info sheets/sign

Introduce semester projects & assignments

Lecture: Design Principles

# **Assignment**

Order InDesign book online Look up class web site

Bring 3-ring binder and sketchbook to class

### Week 1 (Wednesday, Jan 13)

Lecture: Design process

Introduce Project 1: Magazine ad for Art department

Tutorial: Photoshop for designers (recap)

#### Assignment

25 sketches for Magazine ad

# Week 2 (Monday, Jan 18)

Martin Luther King Day: No class

### Week 2 {Wednesday, Jan 20}

Review sketches, work on refining the concept with further layout sketches

Photoshop tutorial 2: In class masking demo and exercise

### **Assignment**

Finish masking exercise

Photograph, illustrate, scan necessary visuals

## Week 3 (Monday, Jan 25)

Lecture: Text and image

Hand in Masking exercise Review refined layout sketches

Review visuals, edit

## **Assignment**

Write necessary copy

## Week 3 {Wednesday, Jan 27}

Work on ad layouts

#### **Assignment**

Prepare a rough layout for review

Week 4 {Monday, Feb 1}	Small group review of rough layouts In class work on ad layouts		
Assignment	Print, mount and prepare for critique		
Week 4 {Wednesday, Feb 3}	Magazine ad critique Tutorial: Illustrator 1 Introduce Pacific Seminar III book cover project Lecture: book covers		
Assignment	Incorporate feedback to ad and reprint if necessary, prepare to hand in 25 sketches for PACS3 covers		
Week 5 (Monday, Feb 8)	Magazine ad due Review 25 sketches for PACS3 covers Tutorial: Illustrator 2		
Assignment	Refine 3 sketches and start obtaining visuals Finish exercises		
Week 5 {Wednesday, Feb 10}	Group review of refined sketches (I will not be in class) Work on visuals, scan if necessary		
Assignment	Create / obtain all visuals, digitise		
Week 6 (Monday, Feb 15)	Review visuals Tutorial: Illustrator 3 Refine visuals, put into layouts		
Assignment	Create rough layouts, print		
Week 6 {Wednesday, Feb 17}	Review rough layouts in preliminary critique Tutorial: Illustrator 4		
Assignment	Refine layouts and prepare for critique		
Week 7 (Monday, Feb 22)	PACS 3 Book Cover critique Work on incorporating feedback Introduce Groucho Morph assignment		
Assignment	Prepare to hand in and for presentations to jury		

Week 7 {Wednesday, Feb 24}	PACS 3 Book Cover Presentations, project due  Find a person to morph Groucho to and sketch out the transformation steps:  15 sketches		
Assignment			
Week 8 (Monday, Mar 1)	Review sketches  Tutorial: Illustrator 5  Work on refining the steps and making the transformation change in equal intervals		
Assignment	Digitize photo/illustration of your person and convert to vector		
Week 8 {Wednesday, Mar 3}	Review vectors of your person Continue progress on Groucho		
Assignment	Complete two intermediate steps		
Week 9 (Mar 9-11) Spring Break	Enjoy your break!		
Week 10 {Monday, Mar 15}	Review Groucho progress In class work on Groucho		
Assignment	Complete third intermediate step, print for pre-critique		
{Wednesday, Mar 17}	Pre-critique Refine all steps		
Assignment	Print, mount and prepare for critique		
Week 11 {Monday, Mar 22}	Groucho Morph critique Introduce CD packaging design project Tutorial: InDesign 1		
Assignment	Incorporate feedback on Groucho, prepare to hand in Find an artist to create a CD packaging for, bring photos, existing CD covers and other relevant research to class		
{Wednesday, Mar 24}	Groucho Morph due Tutorial: InDesign 2 Review research on your artist Discussion: CD covers		
Assignment	25 sketches for CD cover		

Review 25 sketches for CD cover			
Tutorial: InDesign 3  Pick 3 sketches and refine further			
Tutorial: InDesign 4			
In class work on CD cover			
Create artwork for the cover, scan, clean up, place type			
Student travel day, no class			
Review artwork for cover, clean it up			
Place typography			
Create 5 different layouts for pre-critique, print			
Pre-critique of 5 layouts for CD cover			
In class work on CD cover			
Incorporate feedback and refine 1 layout			
Review CD cover layout			
In class work on CD cover			
Create a CD label and back of the cover to go with the front cover			
Review CD labels and back covers, refine			
Start work on CD booklet			
Create a working grid and place sample elements in 2 page spreads			
Review booklet grid and 2 page spreads			
Place further elements on grid, revise			
Decide on headline size, placement, color			
Decide on body copy size, placement, color			
Create 6 page spreads with all elements placed			

Week 16 (Monday, Apr 26)	Review page spreads		
	Continue on booklet development		
	Tutorial: Interactive PDFs: InDesign and Acrobat Interactive features		
	Continue with booklet layout		
Assignment	Print all CD materials for pre-critique, booklet finished		
	Create an interactive PDF of your booklet		
{Wednesday, Apr 28}	CD materials per-critique		
	Review interactive PDFs		
Assignment	Incorporate feedback		
	Create a mock up of all CD materials		
	Prepare for final critique		
Week 17 (Monday, May 3)	Final critique: mandatory to pass the class		