Transition Checklist – Bachelor of Design

Continuing students following the new 2026 Bachelor of Design program

This checklist is for students who commenced the Bachelor of Design prior to 2026 and who have formally changed into the new program structure.

IMPORTANT Notes:

- The information contained in this document is intended as general advice only. Students must follow the program rules & requirements listed on the Programs and Courses Website relevant to the year they commence. This planner must be used in conjunction with your program duration course list and program rules.
- Students need to check future course offerings, prerequisites, incompatibles and restrictions for all courses as these are subject to change.
- Students cannot take courses that are incompatible with courses already counted towards their program and cannot count the same course twice.

2026 Bachelor of Design Program Requirements:

Complete 48 units comprising:

- 28 units for all BDes Core Courses, and
- 20 units for **BDes Plan Options**, or
  - 16 units for one Major from BDes Major Option, and
  - 0 to 4 units from Program Elective Courses, and
  - 0 to 4 units from General Elective Courses
- 20 units for **BDes No Major Option**
  - 4 units for all Design Extension Course, and
  - 16 units from General Elective Courses

Selected courses must include at most 24 units at level 1.

Tick the courses you have completed and nominate the alternative course you plan to choose (if required).

BDes Core Courses								
P compl.	Complete all 28 units Core Courses	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
	ADPS1000 Sustainability for Global Citizenship	1	2	s1 2026	**ARCH1140** Buildings in History & Culture (discontinued)	1	2	s1 2025	
	ADPS1001 Digital Visual Communication	1	2	s1 2026	**DSGN1300** Digital Visual Communication (discontinued)	1	2	s1 2025	
	DSGN1002 Design Methods	2	2	s2 2026	**DSGN1100** Design: Interaction (discontinued)	1	2	s1 2026	
	DSGN1400 Design Fabrication	2	2	Existing	Course must be completed				

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	DSGN1500 Design for a Better World	1	2	Existing	Course must be completed				
	DSGN2001 User Centered Design	1	2	s1 2027	**DSGN1200** Design: Experience (discontinued)	2	2	s2 2026	
	DSGN2002 Design for the Circular Economy	2	2	s2 2027	**DSGN2200** Design: Environment (discontinued)	2	2	s2 2026	
	DSGN2003 Design Futures	2	2	s2 2027	Course must be completed				
	DSGN2100 Design for Business	1	2	Existing	**DSGN2100** Design: Organisation	1	2		
	DSGN3002 Co-Design	1	4	s1 2028	See Academic Advisor for advice				
	ADPS3001 Professional Profiles in Practice	2	2	S2 2027	Course must be completed				
	DSGN3200 Design for Complex Systems	2	4	Existing	**DSGN3200** Design: Systems	2	4		

20 units for **BDes Major Options**
- 16 units for one Major from BDes Major Option, and
- 0 to 4 units from Program Elective Courses, and
- 0 to 4 units from General Elective Courses

BDes Plan Option								
P compl.	Complete 16 units from one Major	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
	ANTHRC2000 Anthropology				No changes to major list				
	ARCSTC2551 Architectural Studies				New major. See Table below				
	ENVSOC2506 Environment and Society				No changes to major list				
	INNOVC2171 Innovation and Entrepreneurship				No changes to major list				
	INENVC2454 Information Environments				No changes to major list				
	MDIGCC2000 Media and Digital Cultures				No changes to major list				
	URBSYC2550 Urban Systems				New major. See Table below				

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P compl.	Complete 0 to 4 units Program Elective	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
	ADPS3002 Interdisciplinary Design Project	1	2	s2 2028					
	ADPS3003 Field Experience	Ad hoc	2	Ad hoc	**ARCH3341** Architecture Field Experience (Discontinued)	1	2	s1 2025	
	ADPS3300 Industry Placement	1, 2, Sum	2	Existing					
	ARCH3112 Digital Tools for Urban Analysis	2	2	s2 2028	**ARCH3130** Advanced Built Environment Communication (Discontinued)	2	2	s2 2027	
	DECO2200 Information Visualisation	1	2	Existing					
	ENGG2000 Humanitarian Engineering	2	2	Existing					
	PLAN1001 Introduction to Planning	1	2	Existing					

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20 units for **BDes No Major Option**
- 4 units for all [Design Extension Course](), and
- 16 units from [General Elective Courses]()

BDes No Major									
P compl.	Complete all 4 units Design Extension Course	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
	ADPS3000 Interdisciplinary Studio	1	4	s1 2027	**ARCH3100** Architectural Design: Clients and Culture (discontinued)	1	4	s1 2026	

P compl.	Complete 16 units from General Elective courses	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
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20 units for **BDes Architectural Studies Major**
- 14 units for all Architectural Studies Compulsory Courses, and
- 2 units from Architectural Studies Elective Courses, and
- 0 to 4 units from Program Elective Courses, and
- 0 to 4 units from General Elective Courses

BDes Major - Architectural Studies Major									
P compl.	Complete all 14 units Architectural Studies Compulsory Courses	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
	ARCH1111 Building Structures	1	2	s1 2026	**BLDG1220** Building Materials: Properties, Principles and Applications (discontinued)	2	2	s2 2025	
	ARCH1010 Architectural Visual Communication	1	2	s1 2026	**ARCH1160** Architectural Communication 1 (discontinued)	1	2	s1 2025	
	ARCH1000 Global Histories of Architecture	2	2	s2 2026	**ARCH1240** Architecture in the Western Tradition (discontinued)	2	2	s2 2025	
	ARCH1002 Foundation Studio 2: Site and Context	2	2	s2 2026	Course must be completed				
	ADPS3000 Interdisciplinary Studio	1	4	s1 2027	**ARCH3100** Architectural Design: Clients and Culture (discontinued)	1	4	s1 2027	
	ARCH3112 Digital Tools for Urban Analysis	2	2	s2 2028	**ARCH3130** Advanced Built Environment Communication (Discontinued)	2	2	s2 2027	

P compl.	Complete 2 units from Architectural Studies Elective Courses	Sem Offering	#	First offered	Approved Substitution	Sem Offering	#	Last offered	P compl.
	ARCH1001 Foundation Studio 1: Space and Experience	1	2	s1 2026	Course must be completed				
	ARCH2020 Architectural Transitions from Modernity to Today	2	2	s2 2027	**ARCH2240** Modern Architecture & the Metropolis (discontinued)	2	2	s2 2026	

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	ADPS3002 Interdisciplinary Design Project	1	2	s2 2028					
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	ADPS3300 Industry Placement	1, 2, Sum	2	Existing					

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	DECO2200 Information Visualisation	1	2	Existing					
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20 units for **BDes Urban Systems Major**

- 14 units for all Urban Systems Compulsory Courses, and
- 2 units from Urban Systems Elective Courses, and
- 0 to 4 units from Program Elective Courses, and
- 0 to 4 units from General Elective Courses

BDes Major – Urban Systems Major									
P compl.	**Complete all 14 units Urban Systems Compulsory Courses**	**Sem Offering**	**#**	**First offered**	**Approved Substitution**	**Sem Offering**	**#**	**Last offered**	**P compl.**
	PLAN1001 Introduction to Planning	1	2	Existing	Course must be completed				
	PLAN2100 Transport Planning	1	2	Existing	Course must be completed				
	PLAN2003 Urban Design Theory and Practice	2	2	Existing	Course must be completed				
	ARCH3112 Digital Tools for Urban Analysis	2	2	s2 2028	**ARCH3130** Advanced Built Environment Communication (Discontinued)	2	2	s2 2027	
	ADPS3000 Interdisciplinary Studio	1	4	s1 2027	**ARCH3100** Architectural Design: Clients and Culture (discontinued)	1	4	s1 2027	
	PLAN4100 Advanced Planning Practice	2	2	Existing	Course must be completed				

P compl.	**Complete 2 units from Urban Systems Elective Courses**	**Sem Offering**	**#**	**First offered**	**Approved Substitution**	**Sem Offering**	**#**	**Last offered**	**P compl.**
	PLAN2005 History of the Built Environment	1	2	Existing					
	PLAN1101 Teamwork & Negotiation for Planners	2	2	Existing					

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