MA in Graphic Design Application Requirements
Master of Arts (MA) in Art and Design
Specialization in Graphic Design

College of Design
Iowa State University

Anyone applying to the Master of Arts in Graphic Design graduate program must meet the following
requirements in addition to the minimum general requirements of the Graduate College of Iowa State
University. The GRE is not required by the Graphic Design Program.

Application Requirements
1. In a formal letter of application, please discuss your personal objectives for wanting to pursue an
MA degree and your professional goals.
2. If you have previous experience or degrees in a relevant art, design or advertising field, please
provide an electronic portfolio or slides of your own original work.
3. Undergraduate transcripts.
4. Three letters of recommendation.
5. A current resume.
6. University graduate application.

Application Submission
Send portfolio/slides/electronic files/website, your response to listed questions, a current resume and three
letters of recommendation to the Graduate Coordinator, Graphic Design Program, 146 College of Design,
Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011-3092. Transcripts and university graduate application should be
sent directly to Graduate Admissions, Enrollment Services Center, Iowa State University, Ames, IA
50011-2011, or apply online at http://www.admissions.iastate.edu/apply/graduate.php

Application Deadlines
There will be two review periods for graduate admission to the Master of Fine Arts program; please note
and meet one of these deadlines:

• February 1 if applying for an assistantship
• April 1 for anticipated fall or spring-semester entry

All materials must be available on the deadline date or the candidate may not be considered for admission.
It is the candidate’s responsibility to check to make sure all his/her materials are on file in the Graphic
Design Program.

More Information
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