



UNSW Art & Design

Design (Honours)

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The one-year Design (Honours) program is an advanced undergraduate degree for high achieving students who have completed an undergraduate degree in design (or equivalent area), and wish to extend their critical and creative skills. The program enables you to advance your knowledge and understanding of design practice by developing a significant studio research project. Access to UNSW Art & Design's leading research labs, and a selective professional placement program, allow you to explore the potential of design in the 21st Century.

	1 Year Honours		
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Studio Research Project (3)			
You will plan and critically develop a year-long practice-led research project that is directly related to your design practice. This course emphasises contemporary design practice as a key mode of investigation and discovery in a collegiate and peer-oriented environment of creativity, critical discussion, and exchange.			
Research Skills (1)			
The design research methods and theory course will prepare you to undertake your advanced Honours research project. The course introduces you to a range of philosophical, conceptual and theoretical methods and frameworks to help you develop your research skills and locate your practice in contemporary design contexts.			
Professional Experience (1)			
You will have access to a selective professional experience project that provides competitive placement with industry partners. The course will prepare you to develop into a versatile professional and equip you for the challenging aspects of the independent, freelance nature of the creative and cultural industries.			
The Honours program will enable you to develop effective design strategies, methods and research practices for design, on design and through design. You will gain an in-depth understanding of the relationship between theory and practice in contemporary design and the role of design in social challenges.			

Careers

Graduates of the Bachelor of Design and Design (Honours) programs have a developed understanding of design strategy, methods and research, providing career pathways such as:

- Graphic design and digital media production
- Visual communication, brand identity and advertising
- Packaging, illustration and publishing
- 3D visualisation and virtual reality
- Interaction design and user experience (UX) design
- Environmental, spatial, interior and architectural design practices
- Object, furniture and lighting design
- Jewellery, wearables, fashion and textile design
- Film, television and mobile production
- Design for exhibitions, festivals, galleries and museums
- Costume, stage and set design
- Design writing, education and training
- Design management and strategy
- Social innovation, entrepreneurship, creative consultancies and design-led business

The Design (Honours) program also provides a launching pad to further study in a Masters by Coursework, Masters by Research, or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) program.

