



FIDM

FIDM COLLEGE CATALOG
SEPTEMBER 2024 ADDENDUM

MBA | B.A. | B.S. | A.A.

ACCREDITATION



FIDM is a recognized college accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).

FIDM | Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising is an accredited, co-educational, specialized, private college in Los Angeles, California.

FIDM is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC), a United States Department of Education-recognized accreditor located at 1001 Marina Village Parkway, Suite 402, Alameda, CA 94501 (510.748.9001).

FIDM's art and design programs are also accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD), a United States Department of Education-recognized accreditor located at 11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21, Reston, VA 20190 (703.437.0700).

FIDM is a private institution licensed by the California Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE), and is in compliance with the standards of the California Education Code (CEC) § 94897. The BPPE is a consumer affairs agency open to the public and located at 1747 North Market Blvd., Suite 225, Sacramento, CA 95834 (916.574.8900).

FIDM is approved by the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) for the training of veterans and individuals certified as eligible for services by the California Vocational Rehabilitation Administration.

FIDM is a member of the American Council on Education (ACE), and the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). Information about FIDM's accreditation is available from the FIDM Dean of Academic Development at 213.624.1200.

FIDM is authorized under Federal law to enroll non-immigrant students. For more information, see F-1 Visa – International Students section of the FIDM College Catalog, International Student Orientation Guide, or *FIDM.edu* (under Admissions – International Students – Frequently Asked Questions).

FIDM certifies that all courses numbered 1000 and higher are collegiate level and recommends acceptance for transfer to the California State University system and other universities and colleges.

academic programs. Articulation agreements are also called transfer agreements, transfer guides, and transfer pathways by various audiences. FIDM currently has articulation agreements with the following institutions:

California College of the Arts (San Francisco and Oakland campuses)

<https://www.cca.edu/admissions/transfer/>

See Articulation Guidelines. Humanities and Science Curriculum articulated for B.A.; B.F.A.; and B.Arch degrees; Interior Design curriculum articulated for B.F.A. degree. Visual Studies electives and seminar, required by CCA, can be met with articulated courses from FIDM's A.A. design majors.

LIM (Laboratory Institute of Merchandising)

limcollege.edu/admissions/transfer-admissions

Basis of Agreement: 1. LIM will accept all course credits earned at FIDM for which the transferring student receives a grade of C or better and will allow a FIDM Student with fewer than 59 semester credits (90 quarter credits) to make up the deficiencies at LIM; 2. FIDM Graduates with an Associate's Degree may enter LIM with full junior status. Currently, transfer pathways have been created for graduates of FIDM's A.A. programs in Merchandise Product Development, Merchandising & Marketing, and Visual Communications.

Otis College of Art & Design

otis.edu/registration-records/transfer-credits

Foundation/Freshman Liberal Arts and Sciences Courses, Foundation Studio Courses and Architecture/Landscape/Interiors Courses articulated to facilitate upper division transfer into the B.F.A. program in Architecture/Landscape/Interior program at Otis.

Regent's University London

regents.ac.uk/

Sufficient course content from FIDM's Merchandise Product Development, Merchandising & Marketing, Fashion Design, Graphic Design, and Visual Communications programs articulated as equivalent to the first two years (Levels 3 and 4) of the B.A. (Hons) Fashion Marketing; B.A. (Hons) Fashion Design (Marketing); B.A. (Hons) Fashion Design; and B.A. (Hons) Communication Design programs at Regent's University.

Santa Monica College (SMC)

<https://www.smc.edu/student-support/academic-support/transfer-center/articulation-agreements/private-california-universities/fidm.php>

FIDM maintains articulation with SMC to facilitate preparation for admissions to their Bachelor of Science degree in Interaction Design.

University of Phoenix

phoenix.edu/admissions/transfer_information.html

Block transfers for all FIDM majors; details of the application of transfer credit outlined on the University of Phoenix website.

For assistance in applying to graduate schools after completing a FIDM Bachelor of Science and/or Bachelor of Arts program, contact FIDM's Articulation

Officer to discuss the necessary requirements and application procedures.

NOTICE CONCERNING TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDITS AND CREDENTIALS EARNED AT OUR INSTITUTION

Each institution is responsible for determining its own policies and practices with regard to the transfer and award of credit. It is the receiving institution's responsibility to provide reasonable and definitive policies and procedures for determining a student's knowledge in required subject areas. All institutions have a responsibility to furnish transcripts and other documents necessary for a receiving institution to judge the quality and quantity of a student's work. Institutions also have a responsibility to advise students that the work reflected on the transcript may or may not be accepted by a receiving institution.

The transferability of credits a student earns at FIDM is at the complete discretion of an institution to which they may seek to transfer. Acceptance of the degree a student earns in the educational program is also at the complete discretion of the institution to which they may seek to transfer. If the credits that the student earns at this institution are not accepted at the institution to which they seek to transfer, they may be required to repeat some or all of the coursework at that institution. For this reason, a student should make certain that their attendance at this institution will meet their educational goals. This may include contacting an institution to which a student may seek to transfer after attending FIDM to determine if their credits or degree will transfer.

Please note that completing a program at FIDM does not necessarily qualify students for upper division transfer.

GRADES

Final grades are issued at the end of each quarter. A student's performance in a course is expressed in terms of the following letter grades, with their numerical equivalents for computation purposes. Quality of performance is reported as follows:

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS		
LETTER GRADE	GPA	PERCENTAGE
A	4.0	93-100
A-	3.7	90-92.9
B+	3.3	87-89.9
B	3.0	83-86.9
B-	2.7	80-82.9
C+	2.3	77-79.9
C	2.0	73-76.9
C-	1.7	70-72.9
D+	1.3	67-69.9
D	1.0	63-66.9
D-	0.7	60-62.9
F (Failing)	0.0	Below 59.9
I (Incomplete)	0.0	
P (Pass)	0.0	
W (Withdrawal)	0.0	

Estimated Program Charges

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE TWO-YEAR PROGRAMS

EFFECTIVE SPRING 2023

MAJORS	PROGRAMS TOTAL UNITS	ESTIMATED* TUITION	ESTIMATED* STUDIO/LAB USAGE FEE	ESTIMATED* STUDENT ASSOCIATION FEE	ESTIMATED* BOOKS & applicable sales taxes	ESTIMATED* SUPPLIES & applicable sales taxes	ESTIMATED* COURSE-RELATED RESOURCES	MATRICULATION FEE	GRADUATION FEE	ESTIMATED* SUB-TOTAL FOR THE ENTIRE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM (see application fees to calculate grand total)	ESTIMATED* TOTAL CHARGES** FOR THE CURRENT PERIOD OF ATTENDANCE (First Quarter)	LENGTH OF PROGRAM
ASSOCIATE OF ARTS TWO-YEAR PROGRAMS												
APPAREL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$2,255	\$845	\$450	\$100	\$250	\$70,950	\$13,125	2 YEARS
BEAUTY MARKETING & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$2,255	\$325	\$270	\$100	\$250	\$70,250	\$12,805	2 YEARS
DIGITAL MARKETING	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$1,785	\$755	\$285	\$100	\$250	\$70,225	\$12,790	2 YEARS
DIGITAL MEDIA	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$775	\$3,000	\$305	\$100	\$250	\$71,480	\$13,414	2 YEARS
FASHION DESIGN	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$2,300	\$2,080	\$535	\$100	\$250	\$72,315	\$13,793	2 YEARS
GRAPHIC DESIGN	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$1,285	\$800	\$1,005	\$100	\$250	\$70,490	\$12,803	2 YEARS
INTERIOR DESIGN	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$2,065	\$1,200	\$120	\$100	\$250	\$70,785	\$13,098	2 YEARS
MERCHANDISE PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$2,530	\$1,065	\$915	\$100	\$250	\$71,910	\$13,528	2 YEARS
MERCHANDISING & MARKETING	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$2,510	\$175	\$210	\$100	\$250	\$70,295	\$12,838	2 YEARS
VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS	90	\$64,800	\$1,620	\$630	\$1,260	\$1,540	\$830	\$100	\$250	\$71,030	\$13,102	2 YEARS

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COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA)

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PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAMS

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PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION PROGRAMS													
APPAREL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT	60	\$40,200	\$1,080	\$420	\$0	\$1,805	\$685	\$275	\$100	\$250	\$44,815	\$12,012	15 MONTHS
BEAUTY MARKETING & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	48	\$32,160	\$864	\$336	\$0	\$720	\$185	\$60	\$100	\$250	\$34,675	\$11,148	12 MONTHS
DIGITAL MARKETING	60	\$40,200	\$1,080	\$420	\$0	\$780	\$720	\$270	\$100	\$250	\$43,830	\$11,520	15 MONTHS
DIGITAL MEDIA	60	\$40,200	\$1,080	\$420	\$0	\$360	\$485	\$475	\$100	\$250	\$43,370	\$11,256	18 MONTHS
FASHION DESIGN	54	\$36,180	\$972	\$378	\$0	\$1,585	\$1,875	\$375	\$100	\$250	\$41,715	\$12,530	15 MONTHS
GRAPHIC DESIGN	60	\$40,200	\$1,080	\$420	\$0	\$555	\$200	\$635	\$100	\$250	\$43,440	\$11,264	15 MONTHS
INTERIOR DESIGN	66	\$44,220	\$1,188	\$462	\$0	\$1,535	\$1,135	\$120	\$100	\$250	\$45,010	\$12,860	18 MONTHS
MERCHANDISE PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	51	\$34,170	\$918	\$357	\$0	\$1,595	\$805	\$770	\$100	\$250	\$38,965	\$12,132	15 MONTHS
MERCHANDISING & MARKETING <i>Fashion Marketing Option</i>	45	\$30,150	\$810	\$315	\$0	\$1,415	\$20	\$65	\$100	\$250	\$33,125	\$11,414	12 MONTHS
MERCHANDISING & MARKETING <i>Merchandising & Buying Option</i>	45	\$30,150	\$810	\$315	\$0	\$1,323	\$30	\$130	\$100	\$250	\$33,110	\$11,396	12 MONTHS
MERCHANDISING & MARKETING <i>Merchandising & Buying Option (online) †</i>	45	\$30,150	\$0	\$0	\$1,125	\$1,325	\$30	\$130	\$100	\$250	\$33,110	\$11,396	12 MONTHS
VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS	60	\$40,200	\$1,080	\$420	\$0	\$480	\$1,300	\$895	\$100	\$250	\$44,725	\$11,863	18 MONTHS

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ADVANCED STUDY ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAMS

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ADVANCED STUDY PROGRAMS												
THE BUSINESS OF DENIM	48	\$43,200	\$864	\$336	\$115	\$20	\$2,335	\$100	\$250	\$47,220	\$14,971	9 MONTHS
FASHION DESIGN	45	\$34,875	\$810	\$315	\$135	\$855	\$1,240	\$0	\$250	\$38,480	\$13,158	9 MONTHS
FILM & TV COSTUME DESIGN	45	\$34,875	\$810	\$315	\$565	\$660	\$1,080	\$100	\$250	\$38,655	\$13,223	9 MONTHS
INTERNATIONAL MANUFACTURING & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT	48	\$43,200	\$864	\$336	\$305	\$20	\$2,150	\$100	\$250	\$47,225	\$15,004	9 MONTHS
MENSWEAR	48	\$43,200	\$864	\$336	\$810	\$380	\$685	\$100	\$250	\$46,625	\$14,948	9 MONTHS

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE PROGRAMS

EFFECTIVE SPRING 2023												
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BACHELOR OF ARTS PROGRAMS												
DESIGN	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$750	\$400	\$995	\$100	\$250	\$67,560	\$11,882	2 YEARS
DIGITAL CINEMA	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$885	\$3,620	\$65	\$100	\$250	\$69,995	\$13,249	2 YEARS
DIGITAL MARKETING	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$1,730	\$1,035	\$755	\$100	\$250	\$68,935	\$12,609	2 YEARS
GRAPHIC DESIGN	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$1,490	\$720	\$1,000	\$100	\$250	\$68,625	\$12,413	2 YEARS
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES	46	\$31,740	\$828	\$322	\$1,095	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250	\$34,235	\$11,523	1 YEAR

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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CREATIVE INDUSTRY STUDIES												
APPAREL INDUSTRY MANAGEMENT CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$2,880	\$685	\$275	\$100	\$250	\$67,435	\$12,549	2 YEARS
BEAUTY MARKETING & PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$1,765	\$185	\$60	\$100	\$250	\$65,605	\$11,670	2 YEARS
DIGITAL MARKETING CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$1,810	\$620	\$195	\$100	\$250	\$66,220	\$11,955	2 YEARS
DIGITAL MEDIA CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$890	\$2,130	\$160	\$100	\$250	\$66,775	\$12,238	2 YEARS
FASHION DESIGN CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$2,530	\$1,690	\$395	\$100	\$250	\$68,210	\$12,917	2 YEARS
GRAPHIC DESIGN CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$1,430	\$220	\$845	\$100	\$250	\$66,090	\$11,782	2 YEARS
INTERIOR DESIGN CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$2,025	\$1,120	\$36	\$100	\$250	\$66,776	\$12,240	2 YEARS
MERCHANDISE PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$2,590	\$790	\$770	\$100	\$250	\$67,745	\$12,622	2 YEARS
MERCHANDISING & MARKETING CORE <i>Fashion Marketing Option</i>	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$2,525	\$20	\$65	\$100	\$250	\$66,205	\$11,969	2 YEARS
MERCHANDISING & MARKETING CORE <i>Merchandising & Buying Option</i>	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$2,555	\$30	\$130	\$100	\$250	\$66,310	\$12,011	2 YEARS
VISUAL COMMUNICATIONS CORE	91	\$60,970	\$1,638	\$637	\$1,340	\$1,540	\$705	\$100	\$250	\$67,180	\$12,350	2 YEARS

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAMS

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BACHELOR OF SCIENCE PROGRAMS													
APPAREL TECHNICAL DESIGN	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$0	\$735	\$25	\$1,165	\$100	\$250	\$67,340	\$11,743	2 YEARS
BEAUTY BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$0	\$1,760	\$80	\$360	\$100	\$250	\$67,615	\$12,015	2 YEARS
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	91	\$62,790	\$1,638	\$637	\$0	\$2,465	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$250	\$67,880	\$12,208	2 YEARS
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (online) †	91	\$62,790	\$0	\$0	\$2,275	\$2,465	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$250	\$67,880	\$12,208	2 YEARS

MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM

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MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	61	\$42,090	\$1,098	\$427	\$1,110	\$15	\$0	\$100	\$250	\$44,990	\$11,538	15 MONTHS

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