

# ADVANCED DESIGN THINKING, CERT

*for the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Design Thinking*

**The graduate certificate in Advanced Design Thinking is not accepting applications for academic year 2024-2025 but is currently expected to reopen for applicants for Fall 2025 admission.**

The Graduate Certificate in Advanced Design Thinking provides an intensive introduction to the use of high-level design thinking in human centered design practice. Design thinking is now widely recognized as having application across a broad spectrum of professional, industrial, business and social sectors.

The Graduate Certificate provides a project based practical experience in the application of design thinking methodologies in researching human needs and generating design proposals in response to identified opportunities. You will use a variety of research, analysis, ideation, prototyping and communication techniques in these projects.

The program involves study alongside students in the Master of Fine Arts in Art + Design, concentration in Industrial Design and forms the bulk of the first semester of that program. This enables students who graduate from the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Design Thinking to use those credits towards an MFA ID or other graduate qualification in Industrial Design.

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## Graduation Requirements

**Minimum Cumulative GPA: 2.75**

**Minimum hours required for certificate completion: 12 hours**

Students who have successfully completed this certificate may use the certificate courses to satisfy the following degree requirements, provided they apply and are admitted to the degree program:

12 hours of required studio coursework for the Master of Fine Arts in Art + Design, concentration in Industrial Design.

Code	Title	Hours
ARTD 501	Industrial Design I: From Inquiry to Ideation	6
ARTD 502	Industrial Design II: From Ideation to Implementation	6
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

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## School of Art & Design

School of Art & Design (<https://art.illinois.edu/>)

Art & Design Faculty (<https://art.illinois.edu/about/faculty-directory/>)

School Director: Alan Mette

Director of Graduate Studies: Terri Weissman

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Graduate Office: (217) 333-0642

## Graduate Studies Advisors:

MA; PhD in Art History: David O'Brien

MA; EdM; PhD in Art Education: Laura Hetrick

MFA in Studio: Ryan Griffis and Emmy Lingscheit

MFA in Industrial Design: David Weightman

MFA in Design for Responsible Innovation: Stacey Robinson

## College of Fine & Applied Arts

College of Fine & Applied Arts (<https://faa.illinois.edu/>)

## Admissions

Ellen de Waard ([edewaard@illinois.edu](mailto:edewaard@illinois.edu))

Graduate College Admissions Requirements (<https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply/>)