

Experience Design

MS PlusOne Pathway



Northeastern University
**College of Arts,
Media and Design**

Experience Design PlusOne Pathway Overview

Experience Design is a holistic and integrative approach to design that focuses on the quality of the human experience in concrete situations. It employs investigation, analysis, creativity and technology as tools to understand human goals, needs, and desires and to mediate the human experience. The STEM-designated [Master of Science in Experience Design](#) (XD) program embraces research-driven design thinking for entrepreneurship and innovation, focusing on important global challenges of today.

Master of Science in Experience Design Program Requirements

The MS degree requires 32 credit hours. Students complete six required courses and two design electives. Required courses:

- ARTG 5120 Research Methods for Design
- ARTG 5600 Experience Design Studio 1: Principles
- ARTG 5610 Design Systems
- ARTG 5620 Notational Systems for Experience
- ARTG 6310 Design for Behavior and Experience
- ARTG 6600 Experience Design Studio 2: Group and Interpersonal

PlusOne Pathway Requirements and Credit Sharing Guidelines

- Undergraduates who are accepted into the PlusOne pathway are expected to take up to four courses/16 credits toward their graduate degree.
- The courses must be required courses, such as ARTG 5120, ARTG 5600, ARTG 5610 and ARTG 5620.

Note: Design majors, combined majors and minors who have completed ARTG 3462 will have ARTG 5600 automatically waived and credit must be substituted with another Experience Design graduate elective.

- A maximum of four XD graduate courses/16 credits can double count toward undergraduate requirements and hours. Of those four courses, some may double count for undergraduate major, combined major or minor requirements. The remainder will fulfill general electives.
- Students must graduate with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 and earn a grade of B or better in the graduate courses being applied to the MS in Experience Design program.
- The course sequence depends on whether students enter the PlusOne pathway during their junior or senior year.
- After the successful completion of their undergraduate degree, students will complete their master's coursework as a graduate student.

Sample Schedules

2-year sequence	Fall	Spring
Junior Year	ARTG 5600	ARTG 5610
Senior Year	ARTG 5120 ARTG 5620	

1-year sequence	Fall	Spring
Senior Year	ARTG 5600 ARTG 5120	ARTG 5610 ARTG 6310

For full curriculum details and course descriptions visit:
catalog.northeastern.edu/graduate

Planning and Eligibility/ Application Process

In order to be eligible for the PlusOne pathway, you must have a minimum overall 3.000 GPA and have at least 64 semester-hours of earned or earned and in-progress credits.

Work with your primary academic advisor to determine if the PlusOne pathway will fit within your undergraduate program requirements and reach out to the graduate program coordinator to learn more about your program of interest.

Once you have completed the steps above, you can apply to the graduate program via the PlusOne pathway application process. Scan the code below for the application details.

The application fee and standardized testing are not required. Additionally, letters of recommendation are waived for applicants with a cumulative undergraduate GPA of 3.300 and above.



Apply

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