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MISSION STATEMENT
NYIAD’s mission is to empower students to achieve their aspirations through flexible, convenient, affordable, and highly relevant education.

VALUES
Accountability: We set measurable goals and are accountable to students and to each other for our actions, performance, and results.

Integrity: We operate with the utmost integrity and treat both our fellow colleagues and our students with dignity and respect. We also expect integrity from our students.

Passion: We believe we can make a difference in people’s lives and want to help all students, faculty, and staff members realize their individual potential.

Teamwork: We believe collaboration and communication among students, faculty, and staff are essential to achieving great outcomes for students and our company.

Excellence: We strive to uphold high standards in our academic programs, student experience, and support services, and are continually seeking ways to improve each of these areas.

INSTITUTIONAL OBJECTIVES
Job-Specific and Technical Skills: Graduates will be trained in job-specific technical knowledge and the common body of knowledge associated with a specific program.

Professional and Life Skills: Graduates will be trained in professional and life skills that include responsibility and self-motivation.

Qualifications for Advancement: Graduates will have the skills and credentials to apply for jobs, change careers, advance in their current workplace, start their own business, and/or pursue skill-based hobbies and interests.
Professional Career Development Institute, LLC (PCDI) owns and operates the three Ashworth schools: Ashworth College, Ashworth Career, and James Madison High School. PCDI Canada and Distance Education Company (DEC) are wholly owned subsidiaries of PCDI. In 2009, PCDI was acquired by Sterling Partners. In 2019, Penn Foster Education Group, Inc. acquired Sterling Partners’ ownership interest. DEC operates three schools: New York Institute of Photography, New York Institute of Art and Design (formerly Sheffield School), and New York Institute of Career Development.

The Board of Directors comprises the following members:
- Misty Frost
- Scott Whitt

The Course Advisory Council comprises the following members:

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NYIAD ACCREDITATION

NYIAD is a fully accredited Art and Design school. The school is proud to be accredited by the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC) and licensed by the New York State Education Department.

NEW YORK STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The New York State Education Department (NYSED) is one of the most respected education agencies in the United States. The New York Institute of Art and Design is licensed under the demanding standards of NYSED, and all its courses are regularly reviewed and approved by NYSED, ensuring that the school maintains the highest standards of education materials, student service and business practices. All NYIAD teachers and key staff are licensed by NYSED. A full explanation of NYSED’s requirements that pertain to NYIAD is available in this catalog.

DEAC

The Distance Education Accrediting Commission is listed by the U.S. Department of Education as a recognized accrediting agency. The Distance Education Accrediting Commission is recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). DEAC Student Achievement Disclosure for the Public Form - NYIAD

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU (BBB)

The mission of the Better Business Bureau is to advance marketplace trust. This is accomplished through a number of different actions. First, the BBB sets standards for trust and encourages businesses to adopt them. It engages with businesses and educates consumers to ensure that best practices are well-known and followed. The BBB celebrates marketplace role models and addresses substandard business behavior to create a community of trustworthiness.

The New York Institute of Art and Design has been accredited by the Better Business Bureau of Metro New York since 2015. The BBB reviewed NYIP’s advertising and student servicing and has certified that NYIAD meets or exceeds their list of best practices, meaning students can feel confident that NYIP lives up to the promises made to new students.
STUDENT TUITION RECOVERY FUND FEE AND DISCLOSURE (CALIFORNIA ONLY)

The State of California established the Student Tuition Recovery Fund (STRF) to relieve or mitigate economic loss suffered by a student in an educational program at a qualifying institution, who is or was a California resident while enrolled, or was enrolled in a residency program, if the student enrolled in the institution, prepaid tuition, and suffered an economic loss. Unless relieved of the obligation to do so, you must pay the state-imposed assessment for the STRF, or it must be paid on your behalf, if you are a student in an educational program who is a California resident, or are enrolled in a residency program, and prepay all or part of your tuition.

You are not eligible for protection from the STRF and you are not required to pay the STRF assessment if you are not a California resident or are not enrolled in a residency program. It is important that you keep copies of your enrollment agreement, financial aid documents, receipts, or any other information that documents the amount paid to the school. Questions regarding the STRF may be directed to the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education, 1747 N. Market Blvd, Suite 225, Sacramento, CA 95834, (916) 574-8900 or (888) 370-7589. To be eligible for STRF, you must be a California resident or enrolled in a residency program, have prepaid tuition, paid or deemed to have paid the STRF assessment, and suffered an economic loss as a result of any of the following:

1. The institution, a location of the institution, or an educational program offered by the institution was closed or discontinued, and you did not choose to participate in a teachout plan approved by the Bureau or did not complete a chosen teachout plan approved by the Bureau.

2. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution within the 120-day period before the closure of the institution or location of the institution or were enrolled in an educational program within the 120-day period before the program was discontinued.

3. You were enrolled at an institution or a location of the institution more than 120 days before the closure of the institution or location of the institution, in an educational program offered by the institution as to which the Bureau determined there was a significant decline in the quality or value of the program more than 120 days before closure.

4. The institution has been ordered to pay a refund by the Bureau but has failed to do so.

5. The institution has failed to pay or reimburse loan proceeds under a federal student loan program as required by law or has failed to pay or reimburse proceeds received by the institution in excess of tuition and other costs.

6. You have been awarded restitution, a refund, or other monetary award by an arbitrator or court, based on a violation of this chapter by an institution or representative of an institution, but have been unable to collect the award from the institution.

7. You sought legal counsel that resulted in the cancellation of one or more of your student loans and have an invoice for services rendered and evidence of the cancellation of the student loan or loans.

To qualify for STRF reimbursement, the application must be received within four (4) years from the date of the action or event that made the student eligible for recovery from STRF. A student whose loan is revived by a loan holder or debt collector after a period of noncollection may, at any time, file a written application for recovery from STRF for the debt that would have otherwise been eligible for recovery. If it has been more than four (4) years since the action or event that made the student eligible, the student must have filed a written application for recovery within the original four (4) year period, unless the period has been extended by another act of law. However, no claim can be paid to any student without a social security number or a taxpayer identification number.
ADMINISTRATION

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Chief Product Officer

Diane Blumeris
Chief People Officer
ACADEMIC YEAR, HOLIDAYS, CONTACT INFORMATION, HOURS OF OPERATION

ACADEMIC YEAR
Students may enroll in NYIAD’s courses at any time of the year. There are no set class start dates, and students do not have to wait until the beginning of a new session. All courses offered are flexible and self-paced, with students setting their own schedules within certain maximum allowable time frames per course.

CONTACT INFORMATION
This information may be used to contact NYIAD. Students should provide their name and student number on all communications with NYIAD staff.

Mailing Address:
New York Institute of Career Development
41 East 11th Street, 11th Floor, Suite 66
New York, NY 10003

NYIAD Web Site: NYIAD.edu
Career Services: careerservices@NYIAD.edu
Student Forum: Visit via the Online Learning Center
Online Learning Center: courses.NYIAD.edu
Student Services Email: info@NYIAD.edu

COURSE ASSISTANCE
Tutor Assistance:
Academic Advisors 800.583.1736 or studentadvisor@NYIAD.edu

Course Instructor:
Each course syllabus provides information on contacting the faculty and the Academic Advisor support team. When students have course-specific questions, they should first review their course syllabus to identify their team and contact information.

NYIAD Classmates:
Visit the Student Forum to find discussion forums.

HOLIDAYS
NYIAD is closed on the following holidays:
• New Year’s Day
• Memorial Day
• Juneteenth
• Independence Day
• Labor Day
• Thanksgiving Day
• Day after Thanksgiving
• Christmas Eve
• Christmas Day
PHONE GUIDE
School Director: 800.583.1736
Academic Advisors: 800.583.1736
Admissions (Nonstudents): 800.583.1736
Career Services: 800.583.1736
Main: 212.867.8260
Military Services: 800.583.1736
Student Services: 800.583.1736

HOURS OF OPERATION
9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (Monday – Friday)
Eastern Standard Time

FAX DESTINATION
Business Services: 212-867-8122
Military Corporate Partnerships

Education Services: 212-867-8211
Lessons & Life/Work Exams
Mandatory Graded Assignments
Unit Exams

Student Services: 212-867-8122
High School Verifications
Financial Information
Student Account Changes
Career Services Assistance
ADMISSIONS

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

• Prospective students under 16 cannot enroll.

• Prospective students under 18 with a completed high school diploma or its equivalent will need a signed permission on the Enrollment Agreement from his/her parent or guardian.

• Prospective students under 27 must arrange to have the High School diploma/transcript or its equivalent submitted to NYIAD for admittance.

• Prospective students 27+ are not required to submit evidence of high school completion or its equivalent.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Complete an application online, by phone or via mail.
   a) Apply online – The online application process is simplified to reduce processing time. The online application can be accessed from our website, www.NYIAD.edu. Applicants can indicate the course on the online application form.
   b) Apply by phone during normal weekday working hours by speaking with a Licensed Agent at 800.583.1736.
   c) Mail or request an enrollment agreement from the Admissions Department at New York Institute of Art and Design, 41 East 11th Street, 11th Floor, Suite 66, New York, NY 10003.

2. Within 24 hours of receiving the completed enrollment application, NYIAD will provide instructions for online access to the first course and will ship the associated textbooks/course materials to the student address.

3. Students who are eligible for military benefits should contact a military advisor at 800.583.1736.
ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT

The Enrollment Agreement (the “Agreement”) is a legally binding contract when signed by the student and accepted by NYIAD at its offices in New York and is governed by New York law. The student signature on the Agreement indicates that the student has read and understood the terms of the Agreement, has read and understood any literature received from NYIAD, and believes that he/she has the ability to benefit from the course(s) selected. An electronic signature is a binding signature. Prospective students are encouraged to read through the catalog and materials prior to enrolling. Access to online course units will be limited if a signed enrollment agreement has not been received by NYIAD.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students should be aware that courses are developed to provide foundational knowledge and/or skills. Because state regulations vary, students should contact their state agencies to determine if their chosen course is appropriate for their career goals. This applies particularly to design, business and health-related fields.

STUDENT IDENTITY VERIFICATION PROCEDURES

Student numbers are issued to specific people for the purpose of conducting NYIAD business. Any abuse of these numbers (including obtaining for malicious use or attempting to obtain for malicious use, and false identification or attempted false identification) is cause for permanent dismissal from NYIAD and any other of its affiliated schools.

ONLINE LEARNING CENTER ACCESS

Students are required to create a password to access the Online Learning Center. The Online Learning Center is where a student can view his or her academic and personal records and should only be accessed by the student. Students should protect their password from others and not share it with anyone else (i.e., Academic Honesty Policy). School employees do not know student passwords and can only reset them upon their request. If a student’s password is reset, he or she will be instructed to create a new one before he or she is able to access his or her account.

EBOOKS

NYIAD may use Vital Source to deliver eBooks in its courses. Students will be required to create a separate password for their eBook account the first time they access their eBook account. School employees do not know student passwords and cannot reset them. If a student forgets his or her password or needs it reset, he or she will need to contact Vital Source directly.

EMAIL

NYIAD uses the email listed on a student’s account to send academic and school updates. These communications can be personal in nature and we recommend that students use an email that is not shared with others.

STUDENT VERIFICATION

If NYIAD suspects that a student’s account has been compromised, access to the student account may be blocked until student’s identity has been verified. This process is done only to protect the student’s interest. Students are responsible for all comments, exams, and assignments posted on their account. If a student feels that his or her account was compromised by someone else, he or she must change his or her password immediately and notify the school. A student’s identity will also be verified for all proctored exams.
INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL

NYIAD aims to provide students with engaging, comprehensive, and high-quality curriculum in a flexible and convenient online learning environment. The school strives to meet the educational goals of its students while giving them the opportunity to set the pace of their learning on a schedule that is compatible with their lifestyles and personal/professional commitments.

NYIAD’s enrollment model is an open-enrollment track wherein students can enroll in courses and certificates at any time without having to wait for a class start date. The learning model is self-paced within certain maximum time limits per course and/or certificate. NYIAD’s instructional model is comprised of an instructional team approach. The instructional team includes highly qualified academic advisors, certified instructors, subject matter experts, course authors, and support staff. NYIAD’s team is available to work with students as needs arise. The team approach allows NYIAD to customize support to individual student needs. Each course syllabus provides information on contacting your faculty and the Academic Advisor support team. When students have course specific questions, they should first review their course syllabus to identify their team and contact information.

ACADEMIC ADVISING

We encourage students to take advantage of the knowledgeable academic guidance available through our team of student advisors by email, mail, online ticketing, or phone. All student questions and inquiries will be responded to in a timely manner by NYIAD academic advisors and the customer service team. Through the NYIAD Online Learning Center, students may review course materials; track lesson progress, shipments, and grades; check account balances and make tuition payments; request academic guidance or customer support; access the online library; and participate in the Student Forum.

COURSE LOAD

Career Certificate: To earn a NYIAD certificate, a student must complete all lessons in the course with a minimum overall grade of 70. The number of lessons in certificate courses varies depending on the course.

ENROLLMENT STATUS

The school provides students with many mechanisms to help students stay on track for timely completion of course and graduation requirements. In the Online Learning Center there is a Progress Tracker, which displays students’ percent progression through their course. For information on the time frame allowance, see the “Completion Time” section in the enrollment agreement.
TRANSCRIPTS AND GRADE REPORT
Students who need a transcript of completed courses from NYIAD should contact Student Services. Students should specify whether they need an official or unofficial transcript.

An official transcript is one sent by NYIAD directly to an institution or employer. There is a $15 fee for any official transcript requested.

An unofficial transcript is one sent by NYIAD directly to the student. Students who request that an unofficial transcript be mailed to them will be charged $15 per transcript.

Students can view their course of study, progress report and grades in the Online Learning Center.

TRANSFERRING CREDITS
NYIAD does not accept transfer credit of previous training from other institutions. A student may wish to transfer coursework from NYIAD to another institution. Licensed private career schools offer curricula measured in clock hours, not credit hours. Certificates of completion, i.e., school diplomas, are issued to students who meet clock hour requirements. The granting of any college credit to students who participated in and/or completed a course at a licensed private career school is solely at the discretion of the institution of higher education that the student may opt to subsequently attend.

Students should be sure to keep learning guides, textbooks, other study materials and printed copies of online study materials in case these materials are needed for transfer credits verification by the receiving institution.

COURSE FORMAT
The course includes the following sections as part of the course format. Each course may have a different set of materials and assessments; see the syllabus for details for that course.

Course Materials:
- Orientation
- Catalog
- Textbook/eBook (When Required)
- Lessons
- Reading Assignments
- Video Lectures and Demonstrations
- Practice Exams
- Unit Exams
- Unit Projects
ACCOUNT ACCESS
NYIAD students access their student account information, online courses, schedule, and grades in the Online Learning Center. All online courses reside on a custom Learning Management System. NYIAD’s online courses are designed to be engaging, user-friendly, and easy to navigate. Students can perform the following tasks online via the Online Learning Center and learning management system.

1. View and edit account information
2. View account balances and make tuition payments
3. Access online courses and course materials for current and completed courses
4. Submit projects and multiple-choice exams
5. View project and exam grades
6. Be a part of NYIAD’s online Student Forum
7. Download school forms and Catalog

COMMUNICATION WITH STUDENTS
Students are required to set up and maintain their profile information within the NYIAD Online Learning Center (courses.NYIAD.edu). It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that the information within the student profile is accurate and current. All email correspondence from NYIAD will be sent to the email address listed on the student profile. Also, where applicable, materials will be shipped to the address on the student profile. NYIAD is not responsible for shipments or correspondence sent to the incorrect shipping address or email address.

TEXTBOOKS AND SHIPMENTS
The format of student learning content varies by course. Courses may consist of printed materials, wholly online content or a blend of printed and online content. If hardcopy textbooks and printed learning guides are part of a student’s course, the required materials will be shipped to students at the start of that course.

When required, printed materials are shipped one Unit at a time to students enrolled in the course, corresponding with when access to online Units is granted. For students who pay in full, this access is granted once their balance is cleared. And the balance of physical materials (Units 2 – completion) are shipped once the 14-day trial period has passed.

SHIPMENT ERRORS
Students who receive an incorrect or incomplete shipment should call Student Services for assistance. Students have 60 days to notify the school; after 60 days, students will be responsible for any replacement fees.
REPLACEMENT FEES
Students who need to replace any study materials should call Student Services. There will be a replacement fee for each item. The fee can be added to the student’s account and included in the next invoice with tuition payment or paid by check or credit card.

STUDENT FORUM
The NYIAD Student Forum (Forum) is a fully interactive, student-driven, and staff-supported virtual campus that provides students a complete social learning experience from the day they enroll to graduation and beyond. The Forum is comprised of different discussion threads that correspond to the various areas of study offered at NYIAD. What makes the Forum special is that members have the unique opportunity to connect with other students and academic advisors all while making new friends, sharing opinions and experiences. The Forum integrates excellent interactive and academic elements to create a fully supported social learning experience for our students. Visit the Forum by clicking on the Forum banner in the Online Learning Center. NYIAD reserves the right to remove any post from the student forum that does not comply with the conduct and communication policy.

CLASSES AND ASSIGNMENTS
Students are provided online access to their first Unit of lesson material immediately upon enrollment. When the course contains physical shipments, materials and printed course materials are shipped within a week of enrollment. Subsequent lesson shipments and/or online access to lesson Units are automatically triggered when the student makes two (2) monthly payments. Students can begin their courses immediately upon enrollment but are free to set their own pace of study; however, students are encouraged to submit lessons regularly.

Each course is composed of lessons. Each lesson typically contains lecture notes, Check Your Learning exercises, multiple-choice exams, and assignments. Multiple-choice exams are auto-graded immediately upon submission and students can view their grades immediately. Assignments are graded within 7-10 calendar days of student’s submission, and students can view their grades along with grader feedback and comments.

END-OF-COURSE SURVEY
Students are to complete End-of-Course Surveys for each course that they have completed. The Survey includes questions on student engagement, student readiness, teacher and academic advisors support, technology, curriculum, resources and other support. Student feedback through the End-of-Course Survey is an opportunity for students to have a voice in their course of study and is an essential part of our process of continual improvement.
TERM OF ENROLLMENT
You have up to 24 months (18 months plus a free 6-month extension) to complete your course. Students who do not complete all of their exams and projects for each unit by the end of their initial completion period may request an extension period for a fee. Students who still not have not completed their studies after 2 extension periods must start the course over if they wish to continue.

While you have the full 24 months to complete, the average time to completion is 18 months. We suggest that you set a study schedule that will allow you to complete one unit of study every four months.

CAREER SERVICES
Students and graduates may contact student services for help with career services at 212-867-8122. Students and graduates may also contact their Student Advisors for professional advice related to their career.
NYIAD does not offer job placement.
ACADEMIC REVIEW BOARD (ARB) PROCESS

Academic Review Board (ARB) is tasked with reviewing student academic records and conduct to determine appropriate action in cases where the student has displayed poor academic performance and/or when a student has violated policies regarding Academic Integrity or Student Code of Conduct policies. The ARB has the full range of disciplinary decision authority up to and including cancellation/dismissal.

This is a standing committee, meeting as needed.

1. The ARB Request is submitted by a faculty member and forwarded to the ARB Chair. Other appropriate documentation/verification of intervention measures, etc., should also be attached for review.

2. Each member reviews the student’s record and indicates his/her decision recommending cancellation or retention.

3. A majority of the board members must agree to cancel the student.

4. If the ARB opts for cancellation, the ARB Chair will email an ARB cancellation letter, with appeal options included, to the student.

5. A warning letter will be emailed to the student in certain situations.

6. Decisions regarding financial liability are made by the Director, the Regulatory member, and Student Services Escalation Specialist. Financial resolution is generally a flat cancel; these decisions are made on a case-by-case basis.

7. The student has a period of 10 days from cancellation in which he or she can appeal the decision.

8. The student can appeal the ARB’s final decision on the student appeal through the grievance process outlined in the appropriate student handbook.
ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY

Academic integrity is the hallmark of excellence and the foundation of higher education, which requires honesty in scholarship, research, and all course work. Students are always expected to submit their own work for all assignments, to present their own work and ideas in all discussions, and to properly cite original authors and others when referring to sources used. Students must succeed in their classes and courses without violating the Academic Honesty Policy.

To preserve the integrity of NYIAD’s courses and maintain the high quality of education, the Faculty and Administration must address any charge of a violation of the academic honesty policy. At each penalty level, the case is reviewed by the School Director. The due process procedures include a formal request for inquiry and research to prove or disprove the charge. A proven violation carries academic penalties. Students who violate the Academic Honesty Policy will receive a warning on a first offense, will be placed on probation for a second offense, and will be cancelled from the institution on a third offense. Students may appeal the cancellation but may not appeal the warning or the probation. If an egregious violation occurs, students may be immediately academically dismissed from their course. The School Director reserves the right to issue any penalty subject to the severity of the violation.

ACADEMIC HONESTY VIOLATIONS

The following violation types deserve close attention because they summarize various violations of academic honesty. This list below is not exhaustive but captures the predominant violations, which occur. Students must strive to honor the regulations to preserve the integrity of their grades and diplomas.

1. **Cheating**: Representing material, either written material or images, prepared by another as my own work

2. **Fabrication**: Intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any data, information, or citation in an academic exercise

3. **Plagiarism**: Intentionally representing the words, ideas, images, or sequence of ideas of another as my own in a unit project or assignment, and failing to attribute quotations, paraphrases, or borrowed information from other sources

4. **Facilitating Academic Dishonesty**: Intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another student to commit an act of academic dishonesty

NYIAD has the right, at its discretion, to review any exams/assignments that have already been graded and to change the grade if plagiarism is found. The result of the investigation may lead to the following disciplinary action that can include but is not limited to:
Warning

• Documented counseling by staff
• Revision and resubmission of work with possible grade penalty
• Submission of alternative assignment

Probation

• Documented counseling by staff
• Revision and resubmission of work with possible grade penalty
• Submission of alternative assignment
• Failing the assignment
• Dismissed from course, suspension from the institution

Dismissal

• Academic dismissal from NYIAD

UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO OFFICIAL NYIAD MATERIALS

Students may not take, attempt to take, or in any unauthorized manner gain access to, alter, or destroy any materials pertaining to the administration of the educational process (including exams, grade records, answer keys, etc.). Unauthorized access includes sharing one’s student user name and/or password with another person or organization who is not authorized or enrolled as a student and is grounds for dismissal from the course.

MISREPRESENTATION, FALSIFICATION OF NYIAD RECORDS OR ACADEMIC WORK

Students will not knowingly provide false information when completing NYIAD forms or applications (including admissions forms, enrollment agreements, use of false or counterfeit transcripts, etc.) or in any work submitted for credit as part of a course.

MALICIOUS/INTENTIONAL MISUSE OF COMPUTER FACILITIES AND/OR SERVICES

Students are strictly prohibited from the malicious or intentional misuse of computer facilities and/or services. Violations of state and federal laws (including copyright violations, unauthorized access of systems, alteration/damage/destruction or attempted alteration/damage/destruction, use for profit, etc.) or NYIAD’s rules regarding computer usage (including account violations, damage or destruction of the system and/or its performance, unauthorized copying of electronic information, use of threatening or obscene language, etc.) will result in immediate disciplinary action including and up to academic dismissal.

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS

All new students are provided with a unique student number to complete their NYIAD work. Any abuse of these numbers shall be cause for permanent dismissal from NYIAD. Abuse includes but is not limited to: obtaining student numbers, user names and/or passwords for malicious use or attempting to obtain for malicious use, false identification or attempted false identification, or sharing a student number with any other person or organization.
ACADEMIC HONESTY APPEAL PROCESS

Students have the opportunity to appeal Academic Dismissal decisions through the Academic Honesty Appeal process. Requests for appeal must be sent to the School Director within 10 days of receiving the academic dismissal. An appeal form will be sent to the student when they are advised of dismissal. Student’s account must be current prior to any appeal review.

Submitting an appeal does not guarantee reinstatement. If the decision on the appeal is to deny reinstatement, then that decision is final, and no further appeal is allowed. If it is decided that student will be reinstated, then student will remain on Academic Probation until the necessary improvements are made in student’s academic performance. Failing to meet the NYIAD standard may result in a second academic dismissal from the course. After a second dismissal as a result of academic performance, a student will forfeit his or her right to an appeal and will remain dismissed permanently.

GRADING POLICY

Each course is graded by taking the grade-weighted average of the grades received for the exams and/or assignments within the course. The following point totals correspond to the following grades:

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A student who scores below 70 points on any Achievement Examination will be instructed to retake the same Achievement Examination for that lesson. Upon passing that retake exam, the student will be awarded the score of the retake. The student must pass each exam and project with at least a 70 to successfully complete the course.

GRADING CRITERIA

A = Excellent: The student has demonstrated a thorough understanding of the content and skills presented in the course, consistently initiates thoughtful questions, and can see many sides of an issue. The student writes logically and clearly. He or she also integrates ideas throughout the course.

B = Good: The student is an excellent writer, maintains consistent performance, and demonstrates an understanding of course content that goes beyond the minimum requirements.

C = Satisfactory: The student demonstrates a minimal comprehension of the skills and subject matter included in the course, and accomplishments only the minimum requirements, while displaying little or no initiative.

F = Failing: Quality and quantity of work is unacceptable.
EXAM/ASSIGNMENT RETAKE POLICY
A student who scores below 70 points on any Achievement Examination will be instructed to retake the Achievement Examination for that lesson. Upon passing that retake exam, the student will be awarded the score of the retake. Students are allowed two (2) retakes (three (3) total attempts) to pass an exam. If after the third attempt a student still has not passed an exam, they are required to have a conference with a Student Advisor who will recommend a plan of action with student and work to resolve any issues that the student is having with the lesson. A copy of the detailed plan will be placed in the student file. If a suitable remediation plan cannot be established, the student or the school may request for the cancellation of the enrollment.

CONDUCT AND COMMUNICATIONS POLICY
The NYIAD Conduct and Communications Policy refers to the respectful conduct of NYIAD staff, instructors and students in any school communication including student’s course assignments, test responses and where applicable, threaded discussions. Respectful conduct also includes following all academic honesty policies that include, but are not limited to, protection of student IDs, user names and/or passwords, protection of course exams and assignments, responses to exams and assignments, and not sharing these with other persons, organizations or websites. Violations of the NYIAD Conduct and Communications Policy will lead to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from NYIAD.

NYIAD provides students with different communication channels for communicating with its staff and instructors and responding to assignments and tests. Communication channels include email, phone, mail, fax, chat rooms, and the Student Forum. Other communications channels include the Online Learning Center, which is used for submitting course assignments, test and threaded discussion responses and communications to instructors.

It is policy that NYIAD staff, instructors and students maintain respectful, professional, and polite conduct in all communications at all times. All staff, instructors and students are expected to treat one another with respect. Negative emotions, rude language, and/or profanity have no place in any type of communication channels including phone, written, electronic, etc. Any staff, instructor or student using irate, sarcastic, rude, harassing or offensive language in any types of communication channels to any staff, faculty or student will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from NYIAD.

To allow continual communications with NYIAD students, it is required that students update NYIAD with any changes to the student’s account information. Student account information can be accessed through the Online Learning Center, or students can contact Student Services with any changes to student’s name, address, email or phone number.

NOTE: NYIAD official communications are sent by email or mail. Most official forms require electronic communication by email, unless forms or directions state otherwise. Students are held responsible for official NYIAD communications sent to students. Students should check their email accounts regularly and respond, where needed, to any communications sent from NYIAD.
STUDENT AFFAIRS

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL

Academic dismissal refers to the removal of a student from a course of study by NYIAD. Reasons for academic dismissal include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Poor or unacceptable performance and grades in courses that demonstrates the student does not have the ability to benefit from the course
- Students who fail two or more lessons in the first lesson group
- Acts of plagiarism and academic dishonesty
- Unprofessional communications with NYIAD instructors, staff and other students

Students who have been dismissed from NYIAD are not eligible for reinstatement or readmission unless an appeal is submitted by the student to the School Director and accepted by the NYIAD Academic Review Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE CANCELLATION DISMISSAL

Administrative cancellation refers to the cancellation of a student enrollment from a course of study per the student’s request. Students whose accounts have been canceled (but have not been academically dismissed) are eligible for reinstatement or readmission.

Students who choose to cancel their enrollment may be entitled to a refund or may owe the school additional tuition. The tuition amount due is based on the enrollment period, number of lessons completed, and the amount paid. The tuition balance or refund that is due will be determined by the Tuition Protection Agreement printed on NYIAD’s Enrollment Agreement.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

The New York Institute of Art and Design (NYIAD) provides a robust online education and student experience without the need to visit a physical location or campus. NYIAD courses are all asynchronous, meaning that you can study anywhere, anytime at your own pace. A student attends an asynchronous online course by engaging in academically related activities. Examples of such activities include but are not limited to: contributing to an online discussion or text chat session; submitting a project; taking an exam; viewing and/or completing a tutorial; and initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a course-related question. Such academically related activities are tracked and documented through the school’s learning management system, email system, phone system, and in some cases, publisher websites. While all students are allowed to proceed at their own pace, if the school detects that a student is falling behind the average pace of other students, the school will contact the student through a combination of email, phone, and text messaging, encouraging the student to increase the pace of study or to contact the school for assistance.

Completion times depend on the number of units in your course – see your enrollment agreement for specific completion times. Students who have not completed their studies after the term of their enrollment must contact the school and discuss their progress with the school. The school and the student will discuss the student’s options, and if the student chooses to continue with the course, the student may elect to reenroll. The school, at its sole discretion, may choose to waive a part of the then published tuition and fees for the reenrollment.
SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY

Programs offered by the New York Institute of Art and Design are asynchronous, online, and self-paced. While all students are allowed to proceed at their own pace, students should progress at a pace that will enable the student to complete the course within the contract term. If the school detects that a student is falling behind the average pace of other students, the school will contact the student through a combination of email, phone, and text messaging, encouraging the student to increase the pace of study or to contact the school for assistance.

The New York Institutes do not participate in the federal financial aid programs. However, enrolled students must maintain satisfactory academic progress under this institutional policy in order to remain enrolled. Satisfactory academic progress requires that a student meet both quantitative and qualitative standards.

Quantitative standards
1. Students must become active during the contract term through attendance in the course, as defined in the school’s attendance policy.
2. Students must complete the course within a maximum time frame of contract term.
3. Students may request a 6-month extension at the end of their term at no additional fee.
4. Students who have not completed their studies after the maximum time frame must contact the school and discuss their progress with the school. The school and the student will discuss the student’s options, and if the student chooses to continue with the course, the student may elect to reenroll.
5. The school, at its sole discretion, may choose to waive a part of the published tuition and fees for the reenrollment.

Qualitative standards
1. A student must achieve 70 points in order to pass an academic achievement exam.
2. A student who fails to achieve 70 points on any exam, may retake the exam.
3. If a student fails to achieve 70 points in a retake of the exam, the student will have failed the exam and must meet with a student advisor to discuss an academic plan to improve the student’s grade average for the course so that the student completes with a grade average above 70.
4. Students must adhere to the academic plan for their continued enrollment.
5. Should the student be unable to improve the grade average for the course to 70 or above, the student will be dismissed from the course.
6. Students who fail to meet the achievement benchmarks for their academic plan will be dismissed from the course.

Students who complete their course within the maximum time frame with a course average of 70 or above are making satisfactory academic progress. In order to graduate, students must be making satisfactory progress.
TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

The computer equipment utilized to access our online course must meet the minimum requirements below. Please note that the minimum computer and software requirements may evolve during a student’s course of studies, as third-party vendors discontinue support for older versions of a product. Students must have Internet access and an active email address.

MINIMUM HARDWARE AND OPERATING SYSTEM

- Intel Pentium or Celeron, or AMD Sempron 1.6 GHz or faster
- 2 GB RAM or more
- Sound card, microphone, and speakers

SOFTWARE

- Internet Explorer 11.0 or higher or Firefox 18 or higher
- Adobe Flash Player 11.5 or higher
- Adobe Reader 11.0 or higher (free version available for download at http://get.adobe.com/reader/)
- Some Career Development courses may require additional photo editing software such as Photoshop.
  Please review the requirements for each course individually.

INTERNET CONNECTION AND OPERATING SYSTEM

- Reliable broadband Internet connection, for adequate audio-video quality
- An email address that will accept all e-mails, including attachments, from the domain name NYIAD.edu

Note: Students are presumed to receive the messages sent to designated email addresses. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that messages from NYIAD are not blocked and that the mailbox is not too full to receive messages.

TECHNOLOGICAL COMPETENCY

- Ability to use email to correspond
- Ability to access, create, and save documents in MS Word, MS Excel, and MS PowerPoint
- Ability to browse the Web
FEES AND PAYMENT OPTIONS

NOTE: Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice. Students should confirm current tuition and fees on the NYIAD Web site and their enrollment agreement.

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MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN OPTION

Students can make a small down payment and break the remaining tuition into low monthly payments. Each month NYIAD sends a statement to the student that reflects the current balance. Students are allowed to adjust the payment amount (as long as the minimum is paid). There are no hidden fees and all textbooks are included in the tuition amount.

For students making monthly payments, the first monthly payment is due one month after NYIAD accepts the student Enrollment Agreement; subsequent payments are due every month thereafter. Students will be invoiced each month until their tuition is paid in full. Students who signed up for Auto Bill Pay will have their credit card or bank account debited every month until their tuition is paid in full. Students are responsible for updating account information should the card expire or be closed, in order to avoid late or returned-payment penalties. The first amounts received from the student in monthly payments will be credited toward the Nonrefundable Fees, Administrative Fees, and/or Registration Fees.

A late fee of **$10.00** may be charged for each monthly payment that is not paid within 10 days of its due date.

For any check, draft or money order that is returned for insufficient funds (NSF), student may be charged a $20.00 fee and NYIAD will resubmit for payment. For any student using the Auto Payment option, student is responsible for keeping his/her account information updated to avoid any late or returned payment penalties. Payments should be made in the currency of the original down payment. Students in Canada and foreign countries will be responsible for payment of any applicable custom duties.

Students must remain current with their monthly payments in order to continue to receive their course materials. Students cannot obtain transcripts or status letters if their accounts are past due.

In general, there is no additional fee charged for any amount of tuition financed. For students selecting the auto payment or standard payment options, please refer to the mailed enrollment agreement to understand Finance Charges, Amount Financed, Total of Payments, and Total Price.
COLLECTIONS POLICY

Students are encouraged to stay in contact with the institution to remain current with their payment plans. Students will be notified if their payment plan becomes past due. If a student’s account remains past due, multiple attempts will be made to notify the student of his/her outstanding balance.

In the event a past due account remains outstanding for more than 60 days, the student will have a financial hold (deactivated status) placed on his/her account. The financial hold will block the student from accessing the Online Learning Center.

After multiple attempts to resolve the outstanding balance with the student and after a financial hold has been placed on the student’s account, the remaining balance owed may be referred to a third-party collection agency. The institution does not sell its receivables and works to ensure any third-party agency treats students ethically and fairly.

PAYMENT METHODS

In addition to checks and money orders, NYIAD also accepts Visa®, MasterCard®, American Express®, and Discover®. Students can choose to pay by mail, phone, or online.

By Mail: When the monthly statement arrives, students should include a check, money order, or credit card information, and mail the payment in the enclosed postage-paid envelope by the due date noted on the statement.

By Phone: Credit card, debit card, and electronic check payments are accepted over the phone. Students should contact a Student Services representative at 800-583-1736 during normal business hours.

Online: Students can make online payments through the NYIAD Online Learning Center at any time by credit card or debit card. Students should log into the Online Learning Center and follow the simple, step-by-step instructions.

AUTO BILL PAY

Students can use a credit card to sign up for Auto Bill Pay and may receive a savings on their tuition amount.

eStatements: Students can sign up for eStatements via the Online Learning Center.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Tuition payment must be made in U.S. funds only. Students in Canada and other foreign countries will be responsible for payment of any applicable transfer fees and customs duties.

TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

Some employers pay for education tuition for their employees. Students should check with their employers to see if they qualify for tuition reimbursement under the Employee Education Assistance Act, IRS Code, Section 127.

REINSTATEMENT

Students who voluntarily drop out of their course for any reason and seek readmission into their course should contact the school and request reinstatement. Reinstatement is granted at the discretion of the Licensed Director. The student will be responsible for the cost of any remaining units that were included in the students refund calculation. This amount will become the student’s open balance, which can be paid at the time of reinstatement or be paid on a monthly payment plan, with minimum monthly payments due each month. If the student’s account is past due, the student will be required to make a minimum monthly payment in order to reinstate their course. Students who have been academically dismissed from their course will not be granted readmission.
REFUND POLICY

TUITION SETTLEMENT AND NO-RISK REFUND POLICY
14 Day Trial – You have up to 14 days from the day you enroll to review your course risk-free. If you are unsatisfied for any reason, simply notify the school and you'll receive a full refund.

After 14 days you may still cancel your enrollment at any time, but you'll be responsible to NYIAD for the non-refundable Application Fee along with a pro-rata portion of the Tuition and Lesson Fee based on Units Accessed. At the completion of a term, no refund will be provided. The student will have access to a downloadable PDF of lessons accessed as a permanent record of their course. Payment is due every month for students selecting standard payments or auto payments. The first payment is due the first of the month following the first statement mailing. Late Charge: If your monthly payment is more than 10 days late, you may be charged up to a $10.00 late fee.

The failure of a student to immediately notify the school director in writing of the student’s intent to withdraw may delay a refund of tuition to the student pursuant to Section 5002(3) of the Education Law.

REFUNDS
The refund due to the student will be the Amount Paid to Date less the Amount Owed by Student as of the date the student cancellation is accepted and processed. If the Amount Owed by Student is greater than Amount Paid to Date as of the date of cancellation, the student owes NYIAD the difference and such amount is payable within 30 days. Upon cancellation, a student whose tuition is paid in full is entitled to receive all materials, including kits and equipment. Once the term of enrollment has been completed, no refund will be provided.

Refunds that are issued to students are returned by the same method payment was received. Most credit card payments are returned in 2-3 days. Checks are returned within 30 days. All students who qualify for a refund under the terms of the enrollment agreement may initiate the cancellation by mail, phone, or email. We process the request the same day.
STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES
While NYIAD is here to provide all students an opportunity to learn in an online environment that is functional and easy to use, students also hold a responsibility to NYIAD and their studies. All students are expected to:

• Respect their peers and instructors.
• Maintain good academic standing while at NYIAD.
• Understand and follow all NYIAD policies and understand the consequences for violations.
• Protect student user name and/or password by not sharing with any other person or organization; this is grounds for dismissal.
• Follow all course instructions to ensure successful completion of courses.
• Complete all assignments and assessments.
• Grow academically and intellectually.

MAINTENANCE AND CONFIDENTIALITY OF STUDENT RECORDS
It is the policy of NYIAD not to release educational or financial information to anyone other than the student if the student is age 18 or older. For students under the age of 18, the educational and financial information can be released to the student and/or the student’s parent or guardian.

In order for NYIAD to release information to anyone other than the student (parent/guardian if student is under 18), NYIAD must have written consent from the student (parent/guardian if under age 18) to do so.

NYIAD’s policy regarding confidentiality is in keeping with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), which affords the student certain rights with respect to their education records. This includes the following:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day NYIAD receives a request for access
2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the student believes are inaccurate
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. School officials are individuals or entities working for or on the behalf of the educational institution. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill a professional responsibility. As allowed within FERPA guidelines, NYIAD may disclose education records without consent to officials of another school, upon request, in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.
4. The right to file a complaint with the US Department of Education concerning alleged failure by NYIAD to comply with the requirements of FERPA. At its discretion, NYIAD may provide Directory Information in accordance with the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act. Directory Information is defined as that information which would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Students may withhold Directory Information by notifying Student Services in writing; please note that such withholding requests are binding for all information to all parties other than for those exceptions allowed under the Act.
FERPA POLICY – STUDENT RIGHT TO PRIVACY POLICY

BUCKLEY AMENDMENT
The Buckley Amendment, or the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), is a law regarding the protection of a student’s education records. A postsecondary school is required to provide certain privacy protections for those education records that it does maintain. Education records include both directory and non-directory information.

This law applies to institutions that receive federal funds through courses that are administered by the United States Department of Education. NYIAD has adopted this policy as the industry standard in records’ maintenance and operations.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION
An “eligible student” under FERPA is a student who has reached 18 years of age or attends a postsecondary institution. In order to disclose education information about an eligible student attending NYIAD, NYIAD requires written consent to share personally identifiable information beyond the directory information. However, there are a few exceptions to FERPA’s prohibition against nonconsensual disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records.

For a student who is 17 years or younger, all rights regarding education records are given to the parent or guardian.

Internally, each NYIAD employee’s access to a student’s education information is based on a legitimate educational interest and need to know.

EDUCATION RECORD
An education record is any record that is maintained by NYIAD in its educational process. Transcripts or a grade report would be examples of this.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION
FERPA does allow institutions to declare certain items to be defined as “Directory Information.” Directory Information can be given out without the prior consent of the eligible student or parent. NYIAD’s Directory Information is divided into two levels. The first level is general directory information. The second level is restricted to the use of our strategic partners in order to better serve our students.

Level 1 – General Directory Information
- Name
- Dates of Attendance
- Major
- Degree/Diploma Awarded, if any
- Distinction (Honors, Dean’s List, etc.)
- Phone Number
- Email Address

Level 2 – Restricted Directory Information
- Student ID
- Social Security Number

NOTE: Students may request that their Directory Information be made private. Information that has not been declared Directory Information will require a release from the student before it can be shared.
EXAMPLES OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
Examples of confidential information are below, although this is not an exhaustive list.

- Grades
- GPA
- Social Security Number

GRADE CHALLENGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES
NYIAD instructors are experts within their fields of study and have the final authority for assigning grades, with the exception of grades that are found to be a result of arbitrary or capricious grading. If a student believes and is able to support with clear and credible evidence that capricious or unprofessional grading has taken place, a grade challenge may be initiated on an assignment or on a final course grade.

The Grade Challenge Policy provides guidance on grades within an active course and governs course final grades. Grade challenges may be made to the faculty on an individual assignment basis or submitted to the Student Advisor on a final course grade.

CHALLENGES TO INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENTS WHILE A COURSE IS ACTIVE
Individual lesson assessment grades are to be handled between the student and instructor while a course is in session. The student must initiate contact with the instructor within one (1) week for individual lesson assignments (threaded discussions, multiple-choice exams, essays, etc.). The student must discuss the grade concerns with the instructor who issued the grade. It is advisable to use correspondence through a verifiable means such as email. These matters are to be resolved between the student and the instructor.

CHALLENGES TO FINAL GRADE AFTER THE COURSE HAS BEEN COMPLETED
The following policy and procedures apply to all final course grade challenges:

1. If a student believes he or she received a final course grade based on capricious or unprofessional grading, the student must discuss within seven (7) days of the final grade being posted the dispute with the instructor who issued the grade. The correspondence must be tracked through a verifiable means such as email.
2. If a satisfactory solution cannot be found, the student may submit to the Student Advisor at StudentAdvisor@NYIAD.edu or call 1-800-583-1736.
3. A Grade Challenge must be initiated within 30 days of the final course grade posting date. After reviewing the request and supporting documentation for completeness, the challenge will be forwarded to the School Director or designated representative. If supporting documentation or recommendation is missing, the form will be returned to the student for completion.
4. The School Director may consult with the instructor in an attempt to resolve the dispute. The original instructor who graded the assignment or a different instructor may be notified of the challenge and asked for his or her perspective.
5. Grade challenges may not be appealed beyond the School Director. All documents submitted for Grade Challenge are entered in the permanent record of student and faculty.

It is the student’s responsibility to provide the necessary information to support the challenge. The student’s grade challenge must include all required information as well as clearly written justification for the grade challenge to be considered. The burden of proof rests with the student to provide any additional supporting documentation. Examples of necessary information include: medical verification if the exception is due to illness or copies of any documentation to substantiate the request being made.
STUDENT COMPLAINT POLICY

We know that sometimes students in a distance education course can have questions or experience some type of frustration. Naturally, your first step is to contact your student advisor. If, for any reason, you feel your concern has not been fully addressed, your second step is to contact the Director by telephone or email. You can contact the Director at 212-867-8800, by email at director@nyiad.edu, or by mail at 41 East 11th Street, 11th Floor, Suite 66, New York, New York 10003.

While we can resolve most problems via telephone or email, we may ask you to submit a written request to assist us in addressing your concerns. You’ll find that the NYIAD staff is very responsive to your concerns, and in almost all situations, we’ll be able to solve your problem in a way that you will find satisfactory. If you feel that the Director has failed to address your concern, at any time you can contact the New York State Education Department’s Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision at 116 West 32nd Street, New York, New York 10001, Telephone: 212-643-4760, Internet: www.access.nysed.gov/bpss/.

In addition to filing a complaint with NYSED, students have the right to appeal the institution’s decisions to the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC). You can submit your complaint online at www.deac.org/Student-Center/Complaint-Process.aspx or you can contact DEAC at 202-234-5100. DEAC’s postal address is Distance Education Accrediting Commission, 1101 17th Street, NW, Suite 808, Washington, D.C. 20036. Students may also contact The Better Business Bureau at www.bbb.org.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

NYIAD is committed to providing an environment that is free from discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, or disability in its educational courses, activities, and/or employment practices. If any student, faculty, staff or applicant has a question or concern regarding compliance with this policy, that person may direct the question or concern to the Chief Academic Officer.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

New York Institute of Art & Design believes in opportunity for everyone. Therefore, the school strives to meet the needs of all students by providing instructional support and student services that will enable them to reach their maximum potential. The school does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age, or physical disability.

New York Institute of Art & Design complies with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the implementing regulations 34 CFR part 104 (barring discrimination on the basis of disability), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and the implementing regulations in 29 CFR part 1630 (1991). The school will offer a reasonable accommodation for any qualified student with documented disabilities provided the accommodation does not pose an undue hardship on the school or does not force the school to fundamentally alter the educational course, compromise its academic standards, or place the disabled individual in a better than equal position with nondisabled students. Students must complete the ADA Request for Accommodations form, which is available on the student portal, and submit it along with documented evidence of the disability to ADA@dec.edu to be eligible for any accommodations. All completed requests for accommodations will be reviewed by the ADA Review Committee within five (5) business days. Students will receive written communication outlining the decision of the committee.
STUDENT RIGHTS

Schools are required to give this disclosure information to individuals interested in enrolling in their school.

What is the purpose of this information?
All prospective and enrolled students in a non-degree granting proprietary school are required to receive this information. It provides an overview of students’ rights with regard to filing a complaint against a school and accessing the tuition reimbursement fund if they are a victim of certain violations by the school.

Licensed private career schools which are licensed by the New York State Education Department are required to meet very specific standards under the Education Law and Commissioner’s Regulations. These standards are designed to help insure the educational appropriateness of the courses that schools offer. It is important for you to realize that the New York State Education Department’s Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision closely monitors and regulates all non-degree granting proprietary schools. The schools are required to have their teachers meet standards in order to be licensed by the Department. Schools are also required to have their curriculum approved by the New York State Education Department, at minimum, every four years, thereby helping to ensure that all curricula offered in the schools are educationally sound.

In addition, staff members of the Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision are often in the school buildings monitoring the educational courses being offered. The interest of the New York State Education Department is to ensure that the educational course being offered meets your needs and that your financial investment is protected.

The New York State Education Department’s Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision wishes you success in your efforts to obtain the necessary skill training in order to secure meaningful employment. In addition, Bureau staff will continue to work with all the schools to help ensure that a quality educational course is provided to you.

Who can file a complaint?
If you are or were a student or an employee of a Licensed Private Career School in the State of New York and you believe that the school or anyone representing the school has acted unlawfully, you have the right to file a complaint with the New York State Education Department.

What can a student or employee complain about?
You may make complaints about the school conduct, advertising, standards and methods of instruction, equipment, facilities, qualifications of teaching and management personnel, enrollment agreement, methods of collecting tuition and other charges, school license or registration, school and student records, and private school agents.

How can a complaint be filed by a student or employee?
You should try to resolve your complaint directly with the school unless you believe that the school would penalize you for your complaint. Use the school’s internal grievance procedure or discuss your problems with teachers, department heads, or the school director. We suggest that you do so in writing and that you keep copies of all correspondence to the school. However, the school cannot require you to do this before you file a complaint with the New York State Education Department. If you do file a complaint with the Department, please advise the Bureau of any action that you have taken to attempt to resolve your complaint.
The steps you must take to file a complaint with the New York State Education Department are:

1. Write to the New York State Education Department at 116 West 32nd Street, 5th Floor, New York, New York 10001, or telephone the Department at (212) 643-4760, requesting an interview for the purpose of filing a written complaint. Bring all relevant documents with you to the interview, including an enrollment agreement, financial aid application, transcripts, etc. An investigator from the Department will meet with you and go through your complaint in detail.

2. If you cannot come for an interview, send a letter or call the office to request a complaint form. You must complete and sign this form and mail it to the office. Please include with it copies of all relevant documents. You should keep the originals. You must file a complaint within two years after the alleged illegal conduct took place. The Bureau cannot investigate any complaint made more than two years after the date of the occurrence.

3. The investigator will attempt to resolve the complaint as quickly as possible and may contact you in the future with follow-up questions. You should provide all information requested as quickly as possible; delay may affect the investigation of your complaint. When appropriate, the investigator will try to negotiate with the school informally. If the Department determines that violations of law have been committed and the school fails to take satisfactory and appropriate action, then the Department may proceed with formal disciplinary charges.

What is the Tuition Reimbursement Fund?
The Tuition Reimbursement Fund is designed to protect the financial interest of students attending non-degree proprietary schools. If a school closes while you are in attendance prior to the completion of your educational course, then you may be eligible for a refund of all tuition expenses that you have paid. If you drop out of school prior to completion and you file a complaint against the school with the State Education Department, you may be eligible to receive a tuition refund if the State Education Department is able to provide factual support that your complaint is valid and to determine that there was a violation of Education Law or the Commissioner's Regulations as specified in Section 126.17 of the Commissioner's Regulations. To file a claim to the Tuition Reimbursement Fund, you must first file a complaint with the State Education Department at the address included in this pamphlet. The staff of the State Education Department will assist you in the preparation of a tuition reimbursement form (a sample of this form should have been provided to you upon enrollment).

What is the tuition refund and cancellation policy?
All schools must have a tuition refund and cancellation policy for each course included in the catalog and in the student enrollment agreement. Read and understand the school's policy regarding tuition refund and cancellation before you sign the enrollment agreement. If you do not understand it, or are confused by the school's explanation, get help before you sign. You may ask for assistance from the Department at the address included in this pamphlet.

What should students know about "private school agents?"
Private school agents are employed by schools for the purpose of recruiting or enrolling students in the school; they are not school counselors. Private school agents cannot require a student to pay a placement or referral fee. Each school agent must be licensed by the New York State Education Department, must have an agent identification card and must be a salaried employee of the school. School agents who cannot show an agent identification card are breaking the law if they try to interest students in enrolling in a particular school or group of schools. The name(s) of the agent(s) who enrolled a student must appear on that student's enrollment agreement.
Therefore, you should write down the name of the agent who talked to you. Each student will be required to confirm the name(s) of the agent(s) when signing the enrollment agreement. A full refund shall be made to any student recruited by an unlicensed private school agent or even by a licensed agent if there is evidence that the agent made fraudulent or improper claims. To find out if you are eligible to receive a refund, you must follow the complaint procedures included in this page.

**What should students know about "grants and guaranteed student loans"?**

A grant is awarded to a student based on income eligibility, and it does not need to be repaid (for example, New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) grants or Pell grants provided by the federal government).

Guaranteed student loans are low interest loans provided under the Federal Guaranteed Student Loan Program. The decision to apply for such a loan is yours-- the school cannot require that you apply for a loan. You should understand that if you pay school tuition with money loaned to you from a lender you are responsible for repaying the loan in full, with interest, in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. A failure to repay the loan can hurt your credit rating and result in legal action against you. Even if you fail to complete your educational course, you are still responsible for repaying all of the money loaned to you.

It is your right to select a lender for a guaranteed student loan. The school cannot require you to apply to a particular lender or lending institution. However, the school can recommend a lender, but if it does, the school must also provide you with a statement about your right and ability to obtain a loan from another lender and the interest charged on these loans.

Read and understand all the information and applications for financial aid grants and loans before signing.

**Where can students file complaints, file claims to the tuition reimbursement fund, or get more info?**

**Contact the New York State Education Department at:**

New York State Education Department  
116 West 32nd Street, 5th Floor  
New York, New York 10001  
Attn: Bureau of Proprietary School Supervision  
(212) 643-4760

This information is provided to you by the New York State Education Department (NYSED). The NYSED regulates the operation of Licensed Private Career Schools.

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

To earn a certificate from NYIAD, students must meet the following requirements:

- Complete all lessons with a passing score
- Meet all financial obligations with NYIAD by paying the tuition balance in full
MENTORS

STUDENT ADVISORS

Jacqueline Elfe
Stellar Style Events, Floral & Event Design was established in 2007, led by Jacqueline Elfe. Starting her career in planning events for over 12 years, she found designing events more intriguing and fulfilling to her artistic senses. Stellar Style Events floral pieces have been published in: It’s All About The Dress and featured in New York Weddings, Ceci Style, Munaluchi Bride, and more.

Ai Johnson
Ai Johnson is a self-employed Feng Shui interior consultant doing business as Ai Feng Shui Interior Consulting. She obtained a Feng Shui interior coordinator certification and color therapist license in Japan. She has practiced Japanese-style Feng Shui interior coordinating since 2006 in both Japan and New York. She is experienced in both residential and commercial Feng Shui coordinating.

Haley Mindes
Haley Mindes studied for her BFA at Hartford Art School, after which she traveled to Florence, Italy, where she discovered her passion for creating jewelry. The combination of her graphic design background and jewelry-making passion launched a successful photo charm business selling nationally to small boutiques.

Janet Ramin
Janet Ramin has been a residential designer for many years. Starting out in San Francisco, where she graduated from the Academy of Art with a degree in interior design, she began her career working on commercial mixed-use projects in the Bay Area.
INSTRUCTORS

Danielle Appleton
Toronto native Danielle first launched her career in New York City as personal fashion stylist to Young Jeezy in 2006. She has worked steadily as a designer, creative director, stylist and trend specialist. Since then she has gone on to consult and design for many recognized brands, including Rocawear, Coogi, Calvin Klein & The Children’s Place. Known for her outgoing vibrant personality, endless creativity, drive and a remarkably intuitive clear vision of future trends, she is a true star on the rise. Her abilities have also translated into the film and television; Danielle has worked on projects for VH1 and MTV. What makes her an above average designer is her expert level skills in a variety of areas; illustration, fashion design, technical development, production and trend forecasting are just a few weapons in her arsenal. Working for billion dollar brands and startups has prepared her to handle the pressures at every level of development. Time spent in factories in Hong Kong and China have given her an eye for detail and an advantage in developing quality garments for the market. Her unique vision is sought after by many of the biggest names in entertainment and sports for award show performances, concert tours, red carpet, music videos, television and film appearances. Her designs have been worn by celebrities like Lil Kim, Usher, Trey Songz, Russel Simmons, B.O.B, Wale, Keyshia Cole and many more.

Rowena Balan
Experienced Interior Designer with a demonstrated history of working in the interior architecture/design & planning industry. Strong arts and design professional skilled in Furnishings, AutoCAD, Design Management, Adobe Creative Suite, and Adobe InDesign CC.

Christina Chen
Christina is currently an interior designer at FX Collaborative in New York. She has experience at several NY design studios including Clodgh Design, Maxine Shriber Design and Simply Decorate LLC. Christina graduated with a Master of Science in Interior Design from Pratt Institute.

Jocelyn Didier Clisti
Jocelyn Clisti has eight-plus years of event planning and strategic business advisement. Jocelyn’s endeavors have included creative and extravagant themed events for children. For six years, Jocelyn partnered with an established local wedding coordinator and contributed as co-coordinator and creative assistant. Jocelyn is also active in her support of small businesses and is an active advocate of Woman and Minorities in Business (WMBE).
Barbara Dilorenzo
Barb graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design with a BFA in illustration, and studied painting at the Arts Students League of New York. She is the author-illustrator of RENATO THE LION (Viking/Penguin Random House, 2017), which was chosen as a Junior Library Guild Selection, and QUINCY (Little Bee, 2018). When she isn’t working on books, Barbara is teaching at the Arts Council of Princeton as well as at the New York Institute of Art + Design. She is an assistant regional advisor for the New Jersey chapter of the Society of Children’s Book Writers + Illustrators (SCBWI), and the co-president of the Children’s Book Illustrators Group of New York (CBIG). You can find her online portfolio at www.barbaradilorenzo.com. Barbara is represented by Rachel Orr of the Prospect Agency.

Melissa Estrada
Melissa is the Founder and Head Designer of Strada’s Spaces, a residential interior design online-based firm. She holds degrees in Architectural Studies and Interior Architecture. She has an educational focus on Sustainable Design. She became a LEED AP for Homes in 2016. She is currently incorporating Feng Shui design in her repertoire of services.

Alicia Goodwin
A graduate of the Fashion Institute of Technology, Alicia Goodwin has been designing jewelry for most of her life. She now runs her own jewelry line, Lingua Nigra and teaches hands on classes spaces across New York City.

Jae Won Kim
A results-driven and cross-functional Senior Interior Designer / Instructor with 8+ years of progressive experience in designing, developing, and managing projects, and client services.

Doug Oldiges
Originally from Ohio, Doug worked several seasons as a member of the design team at Bath Garden and Design. After relocating to NYC Doug joined the Garden department at Martha Stewart Living where he led the seeds, bulbs, and plant development and testing team. Doug continues to hone his knowledge as an active member in the Brooklyn Botanical Garden’s continuing education programs and workshops.

Lisa Talabac
Lisa Talabac earned her degree in interior design at the New York School of Interior Design and has worked on both residential and commercial projects since 2000, when she began her own interior design business in Connecticut. She also holds a B.A. in education and has worked as a teacher and school director for over 25 years before entering the design world.

Marilyn Van Dam Jacobs
Marilyn Jacobs has been working as an Interior Designer for over 16 years. Marilyn graduated from The Delaware College of Art and Design and received further training specifically in the field of Interior Design. She has worked for Ethan Allen as an Interior Designer before going out on her own for several years. Currently she is the sole proprietor of Van Dam Interior Designs.

Serena Van Rensselaer
Serena Van Rensselaer grew up in New Jersey and studied Art History and Cultural Anthropology before re-visiting her childhood passion of jewelry design in San Miguel D’Allende, Mexico. It was there that she took her first metal class and fell in love with the creative process. Serena worked, studied and traveled to Europe and the Caribbean, honing her skills as a metal smith.
SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS

Sarah Abramson
Sarah Abramson has participated in jewelry exhibitions throughout the US and Florence, Italy. Sarah’s work is included in the permanent collections of both the Museum of Arts and Design and Galerie Marzée as well as private collections.

Pattie Barbosa
Pattie Barbosa has worked in every venue of the fashion industry including costuming for film, movies, TV, opera, news, soap operas, fashion shows and editorial. Pattie has been teaching at FIT for 14 years and created its Costume Design Wardrobe Technician Program in Continuing Education. Pattie currently works in styling and wardrobe on Broadway, The Metropolitan Opera and for Al Jazeera News.

Holly Chapelle
Holly Chapelle is the creative visionary behind Holly Heider Chapple Flowers, Chapel Designers, and Loudon Weddings, with over 20 years of successful business experience. Her work has been published in Martha Stewart, Southern Living Weddings, Weddings Unveiled, Brides, The Knot, Washingtonian, Southern Weddings, Virginia Living, In Touch Weekly Magazine, Elegant Bride, Engaged Magazine.

Nicola Chernicoff
Nicola Chernicoff has been an interior design professional with over twenty years of experience in London and New York City. She started her design career in fabrics under Jim Thompson. Later working as an assistant to prestigious interior designer Nina Campbell at Woodstock Designs for Lady Henrietta Spencer Churchill, Nicola currently works in interior design in New York City for Irwin Weiner Interiors.

Kelly Cobb
Kelly Cobb is the owner of 2h flowers, an NYC East Village based home floral studio. Kelly has had the opportunity to work with many amazing clients and friends and be featured in Bergdorf Goodman, J Brand, Gant Rugger, Conde Nast, Pamela Love, KiDs Creative, SHoP architects, Pink Olive, Alice Gao, VICINUS Project, Shoptiques, Garance Doré, New York Times, Paper Magazine, and Good Morning America Live.

Joseph DeAcetis
Joseph DeAcetis is a fashion industry veteran and Creative Style Director for Forbes Media. His specialties are menswear and luxury markets. His career highlights include Global Fashion Director at Playboy Magazine. Joseph has contributed to countless videos and articles for USA Today, The Wall Street Journal and WWD to name just a few. He currently teaches at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City.
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Keith Gallagher
Keith Gallagher has been working as a professional graphic designer for more than ten years. A graduate of the Art Institute’s bachelor’s program in Graphic Design, his portfolio of clients includes the United Nations, International Red Cross, the American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), Holiday Inn, Allworth Press, International Association of Firefighters, and many more. Today, Keith supervises the creation of cutting-edge educational content for video, web, interactive and print media, making award-winning graphic design education accessible to aspiring artists across the world.

Jes Gordon
Jes Gordon stumbled into the industry at age of thirteen and applied her keen eye for design and passion for the unexpected to building her own event design and production firm. Jes has created captivating corporate events for Target, Tommy Hilfiger, Nissan, Budweiser, Rowena, Swatch, King World Media, and many others, and continues to dazzle brides and socialites alike with dream-like weddings and dazzling private affairs.

Stephanie Grant
Stephanie is director of the MFA Program in Creative Writing at American University. She is the author of two novels, The Passion of Alice and Map of Ireland. Stephanie’s first novel, The Passion of Alice, was long-listed for Britain’s Orange Broadband Prize for Fiction. It was a finalist for the Lambda Literary Award for Best Lesbian Fiction. Stephanie has taught creative writing at Ohio State University and Mount Holyoke College. She is currently visiting writer at the Franklin Humanities Institute at Duke University.

Valerie Halfon
Valerie Halfon was born and raised in Brooklyn, New York. She received a bachelor’s degree in Intercultural communication from Florida Atlantic University. In October 2010, Shop with Val was born. Valerie currently has several partnerships with boutiques and designers throughout Manhattan and is the featured personal shopper at some of the city’s top boutique hotels.
**David M. Handy**
David Handy is an established, dynamic, and trendsetting event and floral designer. DMH Events has been featured in top industry publications such as Grace Ormonde Wedding Style, Southern New England Weddings, Simply Elegant Platinum Wedding New England and Bliss Celebrations. David’s work is also a favorite pick on many wedding blogs including The Knot, Style Me Pretty, Wedding Wire and Well Wed.

**Cindy Lin**
Cindy Lin, founder of Staged4More, has worked for 10+ years in the home staging industry. She has received notable accolades and was a finalist for RESA’s Stager of the Year and Innovative Stager of the Year Award in 2009. Additionally, Cindy has appeared in major press outlets like the Wall Street Journal, San Francisco Chronicle, San Mateo County Times, HGTV, and many other media outlets.

**Judy Meltzer**
Judy Meltzer has over 25 years of experience in providing AutoCAD training and production in a variety of disciples: Cellular Site, Structural, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Civil/Site and Architectural Disciplines. She is also proficient in Revit, AutoCAD, Architectural Desktop, GTX Raster CAD and Sketchup applications with a specialty in AutoCAD.

**Garrett Morrison**
As a course author, Garrett approaches landscape design and installation with a broad range of experiences. In addition to operating his own landscape design and installation business, he has done extensive hardscape installation work utilizing various materials. Related experience includes research at Penn State, from which he obtained a degree in Horticulture Business and Production, in areas ranging from plant production strategies, plant pest management, and greenhouse system development and maintenance, to mushroom production.
## CERTIFICATE COURSES

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Certificate courses provide students with an instructional course of study designed to impart the requisite knowledge required to obtain entry-level employment in a specific career or allow graduates to provide professional services to clients as proprietor of a small business. The courses can be completed in as few as four months.

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Students should be aware that courses are developed to provide foundational knowledge and/or skills. Because state regulations vary, students should contact their state agencies to determine if their course is appropriate for their career goals.
3D MODELING WITH SKETCHUP

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This online 3D Modeling with SketchUp class is for anyone looking to build their skills as a 3D modeler for work in architecture or interior design. Whether you’re an experienced designer who wants to learn a new skill or a beginner looking to explore something new, the course will introduce you to all the elements of the SketchUp software as you work to add 3D modeling to your portfolio.

You’ll complete digital modeling projects and submit them to your mentor, a professional designer who will provide one-to-one feedback on your work. As you work your way through this interactive, user-friendly course, you’ll discover all the ways you can bring flat images and floor plans to life.

Course Objectives
• Apply a fundamental understanding of 3D modeling and visual design.
• Differentiate between various types of modeling and discuss tools and templates to use.
• Perform tasks using the SketchUp software.
• Understand the necessary skills to build 2D and 3D models and create Layout documents.
• Create and edit models using dynamic components from the 3D warehouse.
• Recognize the tenets of a well-built model in SketchUp.
• Practice creating and editing geometry in SketchUp.
• Demonstrate the ability to create interiors and exteriors using SketchUp.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Introduction to 3D Modeling with SketchUp

Lesson 1: Foundation of 3D Modeling and SketchUp
In Foundation of 3D Modeling and SketchUp, you’ll be introduced to 3D modeling in SketchUp. After a brief introduction to SketchUp’s beginnings, you’ll become acquainted with the recommended technology for using SketchUp and its features and tools, as well as the SketchUp workspace.

Lesson 2: Extensions & File and Folder Management
In Extensions & File and Folder Management, you’ll learn about the many extensions and plugins in SketchUp. You’ll study how to recognize different file types and how to organize your work and streamline your workflow through file management.

Lesson 3: The Building Materials of SketchUp
In The Building Materials of SketchUp, you’ll be introduced to the elements and principles of modeling. You’ll study how to draw in SketchUp using the line tools, shapes, and arcs. You’ll also delve into the different types of templates, how to use them, and how to start from scratch and modify your own template.

Lesson 4: Exploring Templates in SketchUp
In Exploring Templates in SketchUp, you’ll study how to make SketchUp your own as you learn about templates. You’ll see how you can develop templates to fit your design needs and improve your workspace in SketchUp. Finally, you’ll learn how to add animation to your work to really take your presentations to the next level.
Unit 2: Building, Organizing and Enhancing the Model

Lesson 5: Creating and Modifying a Material Collection
In Creating and Modifying a Material Collection, you’ll delve into creating and modifying materials. Materials are what bring your 3D models into the real world. You’ll also learn about styles and enhance your understanding of how they can further improve your model. Finally, you’ll be learning about dynamic components.

Lesson 6: Model Organizational Tools
In Model Organizational Tools, you’ll be introduced to the elements and principles of Grouping House Geometry. You’ll be able to identify the difference between adding basic and dynamic components and modeling interiors and exteriors. Furthermore, you’ll work to understand the different modeling interiors and exteriors types.

Lesson 7: Designing Techniques
In Designing Techniques, you’ll be introduced to the elements and principles of Geo-modeling. You’ll study how to recognize the difference between drawing a basic house with a hipped roof and adding 3D detail. You’ll demonstrate the adding 3D detail feature to highlight details in your model.

Lesson 8: Creating Models from Drawings
In Creating Models from Drawings, you’ll be introduced to the elements and principles of creating and animating a scene. You’ll study how to recognize the difference between modeling a house using an as-built drawing and a floorplan or drawing.

Unit 3: Working with Materials and LayOut Interface

Lesson 9: Animations and Photorealistic Rendering
In Animations and Photorealistic Rendering, you’ll be introduced to the elements and principles of virtual and augmented reality. You’ll study how to recognize the difference between rendering photorealistic, virtual, and augmented reality. Furthermore, you’ll learn how to use SketchUp animations to enhance the model.

Lesson 10: SketchUp LayOut Essentials & Interface
In SketchUp LayOut Essentials & Interface, you’ll dive into the tool LayOut in SketchUp. You’ll discuss the essentials of LayOut and the interface. You’ll consider the elements and principles of a model, paper space, and line control. Furthermore, you’ll become familiar with LayOut’s interface.

Lesson 11: SketchUp LayOut Tools and Workspace
In SketchUp LayOut Tools and Workspace, you’ll continue to work in LayOut with your 3D model in a 2D environment. You’ll learn the LayOut tools and work on how to print and export a LayOut document.

Lesson 12: Adding Pre-Made Content into LayOut
In Adding Pre-Made Content into LayOut, you’ll create a new LayOut document, learning about how to use pre-made elements to improve your LayOut document and insert text, images, and tables, as well as study how to connect a scene in LayOut. You’ll improve your workflow by understanding when it’s best to create a model and when it’s best to use a premade model. You’ll also gain a better understanding of scenes and how to connect them.
Unit 4: Designing Models and Adding Features

Lesson 13: Hatching and 3D Text
In Hatching and 3D Text, you’ll be introduced to two key aspects of modeling: hatching and 3D text. You’ll study how to apply the fundamentals of hatching to annotate the model. You’ll identify the difference between basic pattern fills and hatching. Then, you’ll explore the creation of three-dimensional typography in the SketchUp application.

Lesson 14: Features of Title Blocks
In Features of Title Blocks, you’ll explore the fundamentals of adding text, lines, shapes, accents, and details to a model. You’ll explore how to recognize the difference between adding titles and using templates in your model. You’ll demonstrate an understanding of title blocks in professional application and best practices for adding them to your model.

Lesson 15: Making a Model from Drafting Plans
In Making a Model from Drafting Plans, you’ll look at the process of creating a 3D model from a drafting plan. You’ll create 3D floor plans and elevations from an existing floor plan, whether a raster image or computer-aided drafting file. You’ll explore best practices, practical applications, and professional concerns for this highly-valued skill.

Lesson 16: Import, Export, and Print
In Import, Export, and Print, you’ll look at an extremely important aspect of the SketchUp workflow. You’ll learn the principles and techniques of importing existing models into your work. Then, you’ll identify ways to create a deliverable of your work, whether by exporting your document or printing your work.

The 3D Modeling with SketchUp course is 390 hours, which is divided into 4 units.
Full Payment Plan — $849   Monthly Payment Plan — $1099
AUTOCAD

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Whether you’re an experienced designer looking to add AutoCAD to your skill set or you’re new to the field and want an introduction to computer-aided design technology, this online AutoCAD course is for you. You’ll learn everything you need to know about the AutoCAD software platform and have access to a student version of the course so you can practice as you go. You'll learn how to locate and apply the many features of AutoCAD that automate the drafting process and facilitate the creation of more accurate drawings in less time.

This online AutoCAD certification course is approved by AutoDesk, which means that graduates qualify to take their AutoCAD Certified User Certification exam, the industry’s premier designation. By the time you complete the course, you’ll have the skills and knowledge necessary to succeed in this exciting field.

Course Objectives

- Use the functions and commands of AutoCAD software to create, save, and print drawings that make use of multiple lines, geometric shapes, and curves.
- Locate and apply the many features of AutoCAD that automate the drafting process and facilitate the creation of more accurate drawings in less time than traditional drafting methods.
- Locate and apply the features of AutoCAD that provide for the accurate addition of dimensions, tolerances, and drawing notes and labels using symbols and placements recognized by multiple standards organizations.
- Use the functions and commands of AutoCAD software to create isometric and 3D drawings and models.
- Demonstrate the ability to create interiors and exteriors using SketchUp.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Drawing Software and Constructing Basic Shape

Lesson 1.1: Lines and Essential Tools
In Foundation of 3D Modeling and SketchUp, you’ll be introduced to 3D modeling in SketchUp. After a brief introduction to SketchUp’s beginnings, you’ll become acquainted with the recommended technology for using SketchUp, its features and tools, and the SketchUp workspace.

Lesson 1.2: Circles and Drawing Aids
In Circles and Drawing Aids, you’ll learn ways to control how the AutoCAD workspace looks and functions. You’ll learn to draw circles and rectangles and become familiar with methods to draw with accuracy. You’ll also learn how to select an element you’ve already drawn so that you can change it or erase it completely.

Lesson 1.3: Layers, Colors and Linetypes
In Layers, Colors, and Linetypes, you’ll delve into features of AutoCAD that provide you with more control over the elements in a drawing. This lesson introduces methods to separate information into logical divisions or disciplines. You’ll explore the ZOOM and PAN commands in order to make navigating the drawing area more efficient.
Unit 2: Templates and Essential Commands

Lesson 2.1: Templates, Copies and Arrays
In Templates, Copies, and Arrays, you'll develop a more efficient workflow to use when working in AutoCAD. You'll learn to save time and effort by setting up a “template” drawing file. You’ll also learn to set up layers, units, grid, snap and its scale in the startup drawing so that the information is there each time you start a new drawing.

Lesson 2.2: Arcs and Polar Arrays
In Arcs and Polar Arrays, you'll learn to combine commands and utilize AutoCAD’s features to accomplish tasks. The ARC command is introduced, along with all of its modifiers, so that the user can create any arc structure that a design may require.

Lesson 2.3: Object Snap
In Object Snap, you’ll learn how to use the tools within AutoCAD to draw accurately. You’ll explore methods for the correct, desired results from the commands that you’re already familiar with. You’ll also learn about PAPERSPACE and MODELSPACE concepts, which are used in most production settings.

Unit 3: Text and Dimensioning, Curved Shapes and Blocks

Lesson 3.1: Text
You'll understand how to use the text entry methods provided by AutoCAD. The commands TEXT and MTEXT, in combination with the control features like SNAP and ORTHO, are used to place notes in drawings. The course details spell checking and editing features and explains the essential components of templates, borders, and title blocks.

Lesson 3.2: Dimensions
In Dimensions, you'll examine how to add the vital component of dimensioning to your drawings in an effort to give clear instructions for the construction of any design while you effectively manage in paper space and model space.

Lesson 3.3: Polylines
In Polylines, you’ll explore a flexible and useful drawing element to your workflow. The course will describe the multiple drawing, editing, and control features that make the polyline an integral part of most drawings. Polygons are also introduced to show how a difficult and complex design is made easy with AutoCAD.

Lesson 3.4: Blocks, Attributes, and External References
In Blocks, Attributes, and External References, you'll discuss the crucial importance of your ability to reuse standard drawing elements across multiple projects you’ll complete within AutoCAD. You'll learn the most effective way to create typical elements and assign values to them.
Unit 4: Isometric and 3D Drawings

Lesson 4.1: Isometric Drawings
In Isometric Drawings, you'll learn about the command set used to create isometric drawings and exploded views of complex-part isometrics. By the end of the lesson, you'll have become familiar with the methods needed to draw graphics and text in isometric orientations.

Lesson 4.2: 3D Modeling
In Modeling, you'll be familiarized with the three-dimensional modeling commands. By the end of the section, you'll have been introduced to a set of commands allowing you to draw, edit, render, and analyze three-dimensional models.

Lesson 4.3: More Modeling Techniques and Commands
In More Modeling Techniques and Commands, you'll expand your ability to create three-dimensional models. Toward the end, a few additional drawings and editing methods will be introduced and explained, allowing you to create more complex models as you approach more advanced projects within AutoCAD.

The AutoCAD course is 150 hours, which is divided into 4 units.
Full Payment Plan — $849 Monthly Payment Plan — $1099
CREATIVE WRITING

NYIAD IS NO LONGER ENROLLING STUDENTS IN THIS PROGRAM EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 18, 2021.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This online Creative Writing Course will teach you the secrets of fiction writing so that you can publish your short story or novel. You'll learn how to create the fictive dream, immersive plots, and well-rounded characters. You'll develop your voice as a writer and create compelling dialogue, as well as discover how to determine which point of view is best for your story.

NYIADs Creative Writing Course is designed to help you succeed as a fiction writer. By the time you complete this course, you'll know how to manage yourself as a writer, identify prospective agents, and seek publishing opportunities.

Course Objectives

• Understand how fiction works, and the theory of the fictive dream.
• Understand the difference between dramatized scenes and narrative summary in fiction.
• Understand how point of view shapes storytelling.
• Understand how language and metaphor accumulate to produce meaning.
• Develop your own unique voice.
• Identify and develop your own urgent material for fiction.
• Improve your fiction-writing abilities through daily practices and targeted exercises.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: The Fictive Dream and Scene Making

Lesson 1.1: Creating a Dream in the Reader’s Mind
In Creating a Dream in the Reader’s Mind, you’ll discover how effective writers use details to create images in the reader’s imagination. You’ll practice choosing the most effective details to establish a believable setting for your plot as you develop a better understanding of the Fictive Dream concept.

Lesson 1.2: Scene versus Narrative Summary
In Scene versus Narrative Summary, you’ll employ action and dialogue to advance your storyline as you further explore concepts of the narrative summary. You’ll also practice writing sample “fictive dreams” as you work with your mentor to understand the relationship between scenery and fictive dreams.

Lesson 1.3: How to Build Characters Via Scenes
In How to Build Characters Via Scenes, you’ll discover how you can use actions to reveal the personalities of the characters in your story. You’ll practice identifying telling details and choosing the best ones to incorporate in your character development efforts. You’ll define what character clichés are, and then explore how visual details can help establish them.

Lesson 1.4: How to Sustain the Dream
In How to Sustain the Dream, you’ll learn the importance of being constantly aware of the images you’ve created in your narrative. You’ll discover character interactions with your established setting and learn how those interactions can further the plot and character development you are trying to achieve. Finally, you’ll practice applying your personal memories to the scenes you create, and then, practice creating scenes based entirely on your imagination.
Lesson 1.5: The Writer’s Life
In The Writer’s Life, you’ll learn the tricks-of-the-trade that professional creative writers employ to enhance their writing time. You’ll begin to recognize your current habits and learn how to correct them while developing a productive workflow.

Unit 2: How Plot and Character Come Together to Make Stories

Lesson 2.1: Cause and Effect
In Cause and Effect, you'll identifying the elements of fiction necessary to a well-developed story. You'll explore how the scenes you create all interact with one another in a clear trajectory, and how one event presses on to a subsequent one. You'll consider the value of small occurrences as you explore subtle ways to make a plot impact, demonstrating how cause and effect moves all stories forward.

Lesson 2.2: Character Conflict
In Character Conflict, you'll start to demonstrate the relationship between internal and external conflicts experienced by characters, and how those conflicts can interact. You'll also learn how to apply a given conflict with social institutions and systems. You'll develop a comprehensive understanding of how a character's conflicts can animate a plot from start to finish.

Lesson 2.3: Situation versus Plot
In Situation versus Plot, you'll establish a compelling situation within your plot, then learn the point at which said situation becomes integral to an overall storyline. You'll demonstrate the various ways in which a plot brings more visibility to a character's personal conflicts, as well as the classical definition of plot in relation to character.

Lesson 2.4: Round vs. Flat Characters
In Round versus Flat Characters, you'll identify movie types, stereotypes and cartoon characters, then learn how to avoid creating them in your own writing. You'll learn how to clearly express what your characters want as you differentiate “round” versus “flat” characters in professional writing. Finally, you'll write your own sample scenes in which characters take actions that help build their identity and shape their development.

Lesson 2.5: The Writer’s Life
In The Writer’s Life, you'll develop a deeper understanding of why regular reading is critical to a professional writer’s development. You'll learn the ways in which reading the works of other published, professional authors can help inspire, shape your voice, and spur concepts for future writings of your own.

Unit 3: Voice and Dialogue

Lesson 3.1: Natural versus Realistic Dialogue
In Natural versus Realistic Dialogue, you'll define in terms of depicting character speech and learn the difference between the two and the most effective times to employ each method respectively. You'll demonstrate the difference between "natural" and "realistic" dialogue as you eliminate unnecessary small talk, identify "strong" dialogue and apply diction to your writing.
Lesson 3.2: Dialog Is a Form of Action
In Dialog Is a Form of Action, you'll demonstrate the difference between what your characters are saying versus how it's being said as you grasp the concept of “talking around the truth” in your character development. You'll understand the revealing nature of dialogue and its critical interaction with character development as you produce well-written diction that reveals conflict and keeps your story moving forward.

Lesson 3.3: The Writer’s Voice
In The Writer’s Voice, you'll identify your own unique voice, from realizing the details that preoccupy your writing to examining your own written sentences more closely. You'll look at the way your sentences sound, how they're composed, and the length of all them, which are all things that make your voice characteristic to you. From there, you'll apply your analysis to better demonstrate how your language, sentence structure, diction, and metaphor can effectively combine to produce a story or novel.

Lesson 3.4: Developing Your Voice
In Developing Your Voice, you'll identify and understand what complex sentences are as you examine other writers’ work. You'll develop professional strategies used to intensify your unique voice in a story or novel, then practice distinguishing the voices of other well-known writers as you identify what makes each one unique. Finally, you'll work on ways to further develop your own distinctive voice.

Lesson 3.5: The Writer’s Life
In The Writer’s Life, you'll start thinking about the business aspect to a creative writing career. Once you have more firmly established your unique voice and writing style, you'll begin identifying publishing venues where you feel your work would be a good fit. You'll learn more about how the publishing process works, and what you need to do to get started.

Unit 4: Point of View

Lesson 4.1: The Right Point of View for Your Story
In The Right Point of View for Your Story, you'll identify the point of view of your characters, most importantly, identifying which character is best positioned to actually tell the story to your readers. From there, you'll examine situations in which “observer” storytelling is the most effective. You'll then write scenes told from varying points of view to help you determine which storyteller feels like the best fit.

Lesson 4.2: First Person
In First Person, you'll discuss the complex histories of characters and how these histories help shape particular voices in our character development. You'll learn how use of certain dialogue can help you further identify those histories and consequentially shape your first-person stories. Finally, you'll examine the difference between first-person and observer-narrator storytelling, and identify the limits and advantages of writing in each style respectively.

Lesson 4.3: Second and Third-Person Narration
In Second and Third-Person Narration, you'll learn the best methods for describing a character’s point of view “from the outside.” You'll distinguish when this method is more effective compared to the employment of a character’s interior thought-dialogue in effective storytelling. Finally, you'll identify the pros and cons of second-person point of view, third-person limited point of view, and third-person omniscient point of view.
Lesson 4.4: Omniscient Narrators
In Omniscient Narrators, you’ll learn how the omniscient voice allows you to demonstrate the inner thoughts of several characters at once. From there, you’ll learn professional techniques for developing an omniscient voice that actually has a separate opinion of its own. Finally, you’ll investigate the limits and advantages of the omniscient point of view overall.

Lesson 4.5: The Writer’s Life: How to Identify and Query Agents
In The Writer’s Life: How to Identify and Query agents, you’ll continue a more business-practical exploration of the moneymaking opportunities within the creative writing field by studying the agent-writer relationship. You’ll learn how to seek out an agent, identify an agent worth working with on your projects, and how to query one professionally.

The Creative Writing course is 114 hours, which is divided into 4 units.
Full Payment Plan — $699  Monthly Payment Plan — $899
EVENT PLANNING

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This online event planning course is designed to help you master the art of event planning, giving you the skills needed to succeed as a professional event planner. You'll learn how to ensure the success of any event, including meetings, parties, fundraisers, retreats, conferences, and other types of gatherings. You'll master the fine art of networking, working with vendors and responding to your clients’ needs.

During this course, you'll complete a virtual internship, a series of projects allowing you to grow by putting your skills to the test. You'll work with a professional event planner, who serves as a teacher and mentor reviewing your work and helping you improve.

Course Objectives
• Master the art of event planning and demonstrate the skills needed to succeed as an event planner.
• Explain how to work with vendors and clients.
• Ensure the success of any event, including meetings, parties, fundraisers, retreats, conferences, and many other types of gatherings.
• Demonstrate networking techniques.
• Describe how to execute various events at different stages of life.
• Overcome challenges of planning destination events, corporate events, and auctions.
• Discuss the guidelines of starting a business.
• Discuss how a website and social media presence can benefit a business.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Event Planning Basics

Lesson 1.1: Welcome to Event Planning
In Welcome to Event Planning, you'll explore the basic functions of an event planner. From different types of event planning tasks to managing corresponding needs and expectations, this lesson will be a comprehensive introduction to all aspects of a potential career in the event planning industry.

Lesson 1.2: Getting Started
In Getting Started, you'll explore working as a professional both for new clients and friends or family members. Whether you're working for a company, running your own event-planning business, or just putting together a terrific event for yourself, this lesson will provide you with the skills to pull off an event from start to finish with professionalism.

Lesson 1.3: Jumping In
In Jumping In, you'll examine the aspects that make up the initial written contract you'll draw up for your clients. From there, you'll explore the negotiation that often comes as a next step. Then you'll dive into budget creation as well as the process of finding and securing the right vendors.
Lesson 1.4: Personal Qualities of a Planner
In Personal Qualities of a Planner, you'll examine the communicative, professional, and social qualities you'll need to develop in order to succeed in the competitive field of event planning.

Unit 2: Let’s Start Planning an Event

Lesson 2.1: Time and Style
In Time and Style, you'll learn to organize an effective time management system to ensure that you aren't doing things at the last minute. From choosing an appropriate event date to developing a coherent timeline, you'll discuss the most practical ways to work on a schedule. From there, you'll dive into the aesthetic decisions you'll need to start making as this process unfolds.

Lesson 2.2: Choosing the Venue/Inviting the Guests
In Choosing the Venue/Inviting the Guests, you'll develop a routine workflow to use when working with clients as they develop the guest list for their special event. Once this number is effectively determined, it will set the subsequent stage for planning nearly every other aspect.

Lesson 2.3: Interviewing and Hiring Vendors
In Interviewing and Hiring Vendors, you'll explore the reality that, despite coordinating the event as the main planner, other individuals on your teams will also be closely involved in this process. This lesson will help you learn the right questions to ask when composing a productive, reliable team.

Lesson 2.4: Specific Vendors
In Specific Vendors, you'll look at the role of all the individuals you might find yourself collaborating with in the event planning industry. From explaining how to work with floral specialists to pastry chefs, this lesson will prepare you to ask all the right questions in making sure your team members are qualified and trustworthy assets.

Unit 3: Fundraising and Corporate Events

Lesson 3.1: Fundraising Events
In Fundraising Events, you'll discuss the benefits of adding pro-bono work to your portfolio as you review the best, most helpful ways to go about doing so. Fundraising via events is an effective, enjoyable way to give back while doing something fun. This section will provide you with the knowledge of running these events, from budgeting to sponsorship coordinating.

Lesson 3.2: Silent and Live Auctions
In Silent and Live Auctions, you'll discuss the best methods for planning these two specific types of auctions. From discussing how to collect item donations to establishing appropriate bidding increments, this lesson will provide you with the details on how to execute either type of event like a pro.

Lesson 3.3: The Corporate Event
In The Corporate Event, you'll discuss the uniquely challenging task of planning a special event for a professional corporation. By the end of this lesson, you'll be able to partner with a company of any size to throw a perfect event celebrating employees for a job well done.
Unit 4: Events for All Ages and Stages

Lesson 4.1: Baby Showers
In Baby Showers, you’ll explore the details of planning a baby shower to accommodate the wishes of various clients. From scheduling a practical time for a party to planning a uniquely exciting gender reveal, you’ll familiarize yourself with any aspect of this process that a potential client may want your assistance with.

Lesson 4.2: B’rit Malahs, B’rit Bats, and Christenings
In B’rit Malahs, B’rit Bats, and Christenings, you’ll be informed on how to effectively plan the first coming-of-age ritual in the Jewish faith. From there, you’ll move on to discuss the proper planning techniques for baptisms and christenings. You’ll also provide you with supplementary information on planning a variety of additional coming-of-age traditions, so you’re prepared to work with any given client demographic.

Lesson 4.3: Coming of Age Rituals
In Coming of Age Rituals, you’ll review events you may need to plan for clients’ children subsequent to the rituals previously discussed. You’ll survey the events that you, as an event planner, will likely have to handle for clients. These social events span a human lifetime, from birthdays to final memorials.

Unit 5: Event Planning Details

Lesson 5.1: Destination Events
In Destination Events, you’ll discuss the art of planning events at a distant location. From scouting and helping clients research popular event destinations to booking accommodations and amenities, this lesson will provide you with the skills to seamlessly plan and execute destination events with professional ease.

Lesson 5.2: Gifts
In Gifts, you’ll gather knowledge regarding the etiquette of gift giving. As a planner, gifting is a process you may become involved in, whether it’s about gifts for the guest of honor, awards presented to employees, or gifts given to the guests. This lesson will provide you with the best practices for responding to any of these questions.

Lesson 5.3: Beating Event Stress
In Beating Event Stress, you’ll examine how you can help your clients deal with event stress. From establishing realistic initial expectations to avoiding awkward situations, this lesson will prepare you to handle all emotional eventualities with professionalism and ease.

Lesson 5.4: Planning an Event from Start to Finish
In Planning an Event from Start to Finish, you’ll read an interview with New York City wedding and event planner Katie Berger as she describes the experience of planning a high-profile fundraising event. Throughout this section, you’ll gain insight on a day in the life of a planner as you see the lessons previously learned applied effectively in real life.
Unit 6: Professional Pathways

Lesson 6.1: Starting Your Own Event Planning Business
In Starting Your Own Event Planning Business, you’ll examine the business-related intricacies of this field, and the opportunities in professional event planning. By the end of the lesson, you’ll have a better understanding of how you can use your skills and creativity in a lucrative way.

Lesson 6.2: Marketing, Networking, and Growing Your Business
In Marketing, Networking, and Growing Your Business, you’ll discuss the most effective methods for bringing in new clients. From explaining how to create a professional website to networking within the event-planning community, this lesson provides you with the best advice on getting your name out there and promoting a positive image for your services and personal brand.

Lesson 6.3: The Web and Social Media
In The Web and Social Media, you’ll complete this unit by continuing to learn about self-promotion and brand image on social media platforms. You’ll learn about SEO best practices and blog maintenance, helping you develop a cohesive plan for incorporating this unique advertising platform into your business plan.

The Event Planning course is 270 hours divided into 6 units.
Full Payment Plan — $849  Monthly Payment Plan — $1149
FENG SHUI INTERIOR DESIGN

NYIAD IS NO LONGER ENROLLING STUDENTS IN THIS PROGRAM EFFECTIVE JUNE 28, 2022.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

In the online Feng Shui Interior Design course, you’ll learn the ancient principles of space planning and bring them into the here and now. You’re immersed in the practice of Feng Shui design, learning the language and applying its practice in the real world. Professional Feng Shui consultants will introduce you to the Bagua, the concepts of Ying and Yang, and the Five Room Elements. You’ll learn the fundamentals of decluttering, space management, and harmony to add life to any space.

Throughout this course, you’ll complete a series of design projects meant to help you practice as you go. Your mentor and teacher, an experienced Feng Shui professional, will review your work and help you master the concepts. The course will provide you with the basic business skills necessary to turn your knowledge of Feng Shui design into a lucrative career.

Course Objectives

- Master the principles of space planning and bring them into the here and now.
- Practice Feng Shui design by using the language and applying its practice in the real world.
- Recall the Bagua, the concepts of Yin and Yang, and the Five Room Elements.
- Practice the fundamentals of decluttering, space management, and harmony to add life to any space.
- Apply Feng Shui principles to individual rooms in a house.
- Discuss remedies and elements that can be used to alter a space.
- Apply knowledge to home case studies.
- Succeed as a professional Feng Shui consultant.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Event Planning Basics

Lesson 1.1: Definition, History, and Schools of Feng Shui
In Definition, History, and Schools of Feng Shui, you’ll learn the actual definition of Feng Shui as well as its history. You’ll also be introduced to a few different schools of Feng Shui, such as Form, BTB, Compass, and more.

Lesson 1.2: Variety in Schools
In Variety in Schools, you’ll discuss the oldest school, Form School, and meet the four celestial animals. You’ll also be introduced to Vastu, which is a form of Feng Shui that originated in China.

Lesson 1.3: For the Love of Ch’i
In this lesson, you’ll begin to understand what Ch’i really is and how it is in your space and lives. You’ll learn to identify favorable Ch’i as opposed to unfavorable Ch’i.

Lesson 1.4: Yin Yang and Beyond
In Yin Yang and Beyond, you’ll learn about the Yin Yang Theory. You’ll get to know its symbol and learn its meaning. Then you’ll begin to see its presence in a space and how it can be used in interior design. Next, you’ll learn about all the aspects of clutter and how it affects people in a detrimental way. If clutter is a problem for you, you’ll receive ideas on how to overcome it.
Unit 2: Principles of Feng Shui

Lesson 2.1: Five Element Theory
We discuss the Five Element Theory and its cycles. We discuss the qualities of Wood, Fire, Earth, Metal, and Water. See how they appear in a space and how they interact with each other. Then, learn how to use them for a better Feng Shui experience.

Lesson 2.2: The Building Blocks
In The Building Blocks, you'll learn how Yin Yang appears within the Five Elements and how that can help make more concise Feng Shui adjustments and create a better balance. In addition, you'll examine two very important astrology systems that are based on the Five Elements: Four Pillars and 9 Star Ki. These add a very important layer to Feng Shui.

Lesson 2.3: Applying the Baguas
In Applying the Baguas, you'll meet the family of Trigrams, or the building blocks of the Bagua. You'll learn what they stand for and how they create the Bagua. You'll see how the Bagua correlates with the Five Element.

Lesson 2.4: Handling Missing Sectors and Extensions
In Handling Missing Sectors and Extensions, you'll learn how to place the Bagua over a space for both BTB and Compass schools. Please note, throughout this course if you're asked to place the Bagua on a space, it should be based on the BTB approach.

Unit 3: Feng Shui Essentials

Lesson 3.1: Behind the Details
In Behind the Details, you'll begin to learn about Feng Shui details. You're introduced to specific remedies and will learn how intention plays an important part in Feng Shui and what cultural interpretations can be helpful.

Lesson 3.2: Incorporating Color
In Incorporating Color, you'll learn to truly understand color. Understand what specific colors mean and how they relate to the Bagua and the Five Element Theory. You'll see how fabrics can be used from a Feng Shui perspective.

Lesson 3.3: Architectural Design Details
In Architectural Design Details, you'll learn how architectural details affect space. Door, window and stair placement can really make a difference, as does so much more.

Lesson 3.4: Your Face to the World
Don’t forget about the front door … a very special door. It needs a lot of attention and special love and care. You are introduced to your fictional client, Sophia Taylor. Work with her and submit your projects.

Unit 4: Feng Shui Room by Room

Lesson 4.1: Kitchens and Dining Rooms
In Kitchens and Dining Rooms, you'll review individual rooms and how to handle them from a Feng Shui perspective.

Lesson 4.2: Living Rooms and Family Rooms
In Living Rooms and Family Rooms, you'll learn the best layouts for kitchens and dining rooms, living and family rooms, bedrooms, and bathrooms.
Lesson 4.3: Bedrooms and Bathrooms
In Bedrooms and Bathrooms, you'll discuss how to approach designing a home office and making it as auspicious as possible.

Lesson 4.4: Home Office
In Home Office, you'll continue working on your projects for your client, Sophia Taylor, as well as continue working on your own Presentation Room.

Unit 5: Putting It All Together
This Unit contains case studies from professional Feng Shui practitioners. Reading their reports provides you with a true idea of how to approach a consultation. It also provides you with information on what to include in a written report. It’s very common for practitioners to provide a written report for their client that includes an overview of the analysis and a list of recommendations.

Lesson Case Studies
Lesson 5.1: Jackie Notman
Lesson 5.2: Michelle Zanoni
Lesson 5.3: Yasha Jampolsky
Lesson 5.4: Victoria Houslanger
In this Unit Assignment, you’ll continue working on Sophia Taylor’s Floor Plans. You’ll complete your Room Plan Worksheet and list the adjustments to later implement in your Presentation Room.

Unit 6: Personal and Professional Pathways
Lesson 6.1: The Garden and Feng Shui
In The Garden and Feng Shui, you'll find insight on how to use Feng Shui principles in a garden and how to improve a place's beauty.

Lesson 6.2: Space Clearing
In Space Clearing, you're introduced to this method that every Feng Shui practitioner should understand.

Lesson 6.3: Your Business
In Your Business, you'll learn how to prepare for and execute a Feng Shui consultation.

Lesson 6.4: Marketing Your Feng Shui Business
The two remaining lessons are dedicated to preparing you to treat Feng Shui as a business. You'll learn how to start your business, how to market it, how to obtain clients, and how to act with clients. Even if you aren't planning to make this a professional goal, these two lessons host a wealth of information worth reading. This Unit assignment will require you to submit your final Presentation Room Design.

The Feng Shui Interior Design course is 120 hours divided into 6 units.

Full Payment Plan — $949  Monthly Payment Plan — $1299
FLORAL DESIGN

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This Floral Design course introduces you to the world of floral arrangements and builds your skills on route to a career as a professional floral designer. Starting with the basics, you'll learn the history of floral design and how it impacts modern design practices. You'll gain a solid understanding of the principles of floral design, allowing you to explore and develop your own design style.

Expert floral designers will provide inspiration and instruction via our HD video lessons. They'll teach you the business skills you need to find and work with clients, design floral arrangements for weddings, funerals, and the many different types of events that call for flowers. You'll complete a series of design projects that will allow you to use your new skills and help you master the art of floral design.

Course Objectives
- Master floral arrangements and build up skills for a career as a professional floral designer.
- State the history of floral design and how it impacts modern design practices.
- Describe the principles of floral design.
- Explore and develop your own style as a professional floral designer.
- Explain the different tools, supplies, and workspace requirements needed to be an organized floral designer.
- Design beautiful arrangements for weddings, funerals, romantic occasions and more.
- Demonstrate the business skills needed to succeed as a professional floral designer.
- Utilize mood boards and online media to share work and gain inspiration.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Getting Started in Floral Design

Lesson 1.1: Fundamentals of Floral Design
In Fundamentals of Floral Design, you'll learn how flowers are categorized for an arrangement and how to build a toolkit. With online resources to supplement the resources in your local area, you'll be able to obtain all the materials you need for your work as a floral designer.

Lesson 1.2: Principles of Floral Design
In Principles of Floral Design, you'll become fluent in both the language of design and the principles. You'll develop your ability as a floral designer. This includes building your knowledge and skills in handling flowers and the ability to create, not just replicate.

Lesson 1.3: History of Floral Design
In History of Floral Design, you'll review the great styling of the past for inspiration and details to create specialized looks for different occasions and locations. This brief history will help you think about the origins of great floral design work.

Lesson 1.4: Design Exercise: A Basic Arrangement
In Design Exercise: A Basic Arrangement, you'll focus on creating a basic floral arrangement. Basic doesn't mean boring, but rather a design that utilizes the principle of pairing a focal flower with accent flowers, fillers, and greens. If an element doesn't add visual value, it should be reconsidered.
Unit 2: Developing Your Online Presence

Lesson 2.1: Setting Up Your Online Workspace
In Setting Up Your Online Workspace, you'll use mood boards to express a design idea. Organizing your boards by subject or theme is helpful for communicating ideas to others, and an excellent way in determining your own style.

Lesson 2.2: From Inspiration to Execution
In From Inspiration to Execution, you’ll explore elements from inspiring images into your arrangement without directly imitating. You’ll take your design ideas, work through the process of honoring them, and problem solve as necessary, regardless of the challenge.

Lesson 2.3: Focus on Photography
In Focus on Photography, you’ll learn the importance of building a photo library that highlights your work as a floral designer. A good working sense of the principles of photography is a useful skill to have. You’ll be instructed how to create a consistent aesthetic in your photos and how to use image-editing software.

Lesson 2.4: Image Sharing
In Image Sharing, you'll learn how to use Instagram as an outlet to present your work. You'll be provided with detailed step-by-step instructions to create your own account and how to use the social media platform to your advantage to present your work and share with others.

Lesson 2.5: Design Exercise: Inspired Arrangement
In Design Exercise: Inspired Arrangement, you're challenged to create a simple arrangement to display in your home based on an image you find inspiring. This will test your ability to source and design an arrangement based on the image you select.

Unit 3: Day-to-Day Design

Lesson 3.1: Dinner Party Decor
In Dinner Party Decor, you'll focus on designing tablescapes. You'll discuss concepts such as an entry table, bathrooms, and a bar cart. You'll learn the necessary details needed from your client to prepare the appropriate decor.

Lesson 3.2: Design Exercise: Dinner Tablescape
In Design Exercise: Dinner Tablescape, you'll experiment with aspects and interaction of color across different arrangements. The goal is to work with a set color scheme and explore how various colors can be distributed and feel cohesive.

Lesson 3.3: Working as Part of a Creative Team
In Working as Part of a Creative Team, you'll explore creative teamwork. When working with a creative team for an event, you'll be required to function as just one part of a whole. You'll learn how everyone has their own talent and everyone has their role.

Lesson 3.4: Design Exercise: Designing for a Photo Shoot
In Design Exercise: Designing for a Photo Shoot, you'll be instructed on how to create two different floral pieces, a headpiece, and a hand-tied bundle. Techniques will be discussed to help you when working under tight time constraints.
Lesson 3.5: Customer Orders
In Customer Orders, you'll learn how to communicate and handle clients when taking orders. You'll discuss how to handle creative direction from clients and when to use your design sense to make suggestions to their vision.

Lesson 3.6: Design Exercise: Three Arrangements with Various Requirements
In Design Exercise: Three Arrangements with Various Requirements, you'll learn to consider requests that pertain to three separate orders. This lesson will show you how you can make the most of the flowers you purchase and how to structure and schedule your day.

Unit 4: Weddings and Events

Lesson 4.1: Designing for Events
In Designing for Events, you'll discuss how to keep good relations with your clients. You'll learn other responsibilities a floral designer may have such as directly communicating with vendors, budgets, schedules, purchasing, and hiring, etc.

Lesson 4.2: Developing a Concept and Proposal
In Developing a Concept and Proposal, you'll experience how to create a proposal for your client. You'll learn what necessary materials are needed to best present your concept and promote your vision to your client.

Lesson 4.3: Wedding Client Relations
In Wedding Client Relations, you'll learn various steps you'll need to take when designing floral arrangements for a wedding. You'll discuss how to properly price the flowers and appropriately arrange payments.

Lesson 4.4: Designing for the Wedding Party
In Designing for the Wedding Party, you'll discuss flowers for everyone in the bridal party, including factors such as how to construct exquisite bridal bouquets and garlands for a flower girl's hair.

Lesson 4.5: Creating a Romantic Environment
In Creating a Romantic Environment, you'll learn how to plan the flowers for a wedding ceremony and reception. You'll review table centerpieces, decorating the place card and buffet tables, and adorning the wedding cake.

Lesson 4.6: Design Exercise: Wedding Arrangements
In Design Exercise: Wedding Arrangements, you'll review some of the most common elements, including a large branch-based arrangement, bud vase arrangements, a bridesmaid bouquet, a boutonniere, and a corsage.

Unit 5: Advanced Floral Design

Lesson 5.1: Design Exercise: Flowers Under Glass
In Design Exercise: Flowers Under Glass, you'll attain knowledge on how to properly design an arrangement to be displayed under a glass bell jar. You'll determine what flowers are the best choice for this arrangement and discuss different ways to promote airflow inside the glass jar.

Lesson 5.2: Design Exercise: Constructing a Garland
In Design Exercise: Constructing a Garland, you'll learn how to hand-make a garland or greens and flowers. You'll distinguish important elements that will help the garland hold up without water and lengthen its lifespan. You'll master how to properly hang and display your finished garland.
Lesson 5.3: Design Exercise: Exploring Minimalist Design
In Design Exercise: Exploring Minimalist Design, you'll be introduced to the art of Ikebana. You'll dive into the origins of Ikebana and its meaning and discuss the process of designing a minimalist arrangement.

Lesson 5.4: Design Exercise: The Art of Lei Making
In Design Exercise: The Art of Lei Making, you'll understand how to string orchid lei. You'll learn about the history of lei and what it means to wear and receive one. We provide you with two step-by-step instructions to create two different kinds of lei.

Unit 6: Designing as a Professional

Lesson 6.1: Selling to Businesses
In Selling to Businesses, you'll understand how to organize the floral design skills you've learned and market yourself. You'll receive tips on how to sell floral designs to different types of customers. You'll learn the eight rules for selling and different tactics to help you sell.

Lesson 6.2: Setting Up Your Own Business
In Setting Up Your Own Business, you'll master the advantages to starting your own business and the realities that come with it. Resources are shared on starting and running a successful small business. You'll gather tips on how to prepare your own business plan.

Lesson 6.3: Developing Your Online Presence
In Developing Your Online Presence, you'll learn to create your own website. You're provided with a step-by-step breakdown on what standard pages are needed for a website. You'll discuss what to review when hiring a professional web designer.

Lesson 6.4: Marketing Yourself
In Marketing Yourself, you'll review how to bring the people who want you to design their flowers directly to you. You'll learn how to simplify the approach so that it feels more organic. You'll also discern how to best present yourself to potential employers and determine your ideal work situation.

Lesson 6.5: Design Exercise: Publishing an Online Portfolio
In Design Exercise: Publishing an Online Portfolio, you'll discuss how to organize your collection of photographs taken throughout this course, and thoughtfully take your brand live, via an online portfolio.

The Floral Design course is 270 hours divided into 6 units.
Full Payment Plan — $899  Monthly Payment Plan — $1199
FRONT END DEVELOPER

COURSE DESCRIPTION
The Front-End Web Development Course teaches students the fundamentals of web pages and document structure using HTML elements, attributes, and values. With the skills learned in this course, you'll have the knowledge needed to develop a web page, access data, and manipulate data using JavaScript statements. Students will apply a fundamental understanding of CSS selectors, properties, positioning methods, and animation to design, style, and enhance web pages.

Course Objectives
• Describe the connection between web development and the Worldwide Web, and what web development encompasses.
• Explain the role of web developers and their interaction with web development teams.
• Create web pages and define document structure using HTML elements, attributes, and values.
• Design, style, and enhance web pages using CSS selectors, properties, positioning methods, and animation.
• Add functionality to a web page, access data, and manipulate data using JavaScript statements.
• Identify key career-building skills for production-level front-end development.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: HTML
In Unit 1: HTML, you'll learn the first of three languages that form the foundational languages of web development. You'll start with an overview of the web, web development, and the role of a web developer. Then, you'll move on to an introduction to the HTML language. In this unit, you'll learn HTML document structure, syntax, and practical application. By the end of this unit, you'll be able to create a basic web page in HTML with text, images, links, forms and much more.

Lesson 1: Introduction to Web Development
In Introduction to Web Development, you'll understand what makes websites work, and what your role will be in their creation as a front-end developer.

Lesson 2: Introduction to HTML
In Introduction to HTML, you'll gain an understanding of what HTML is and learn the syntax and general composition of this important language.

Lesson 3: Attributes and Values
In Attributes and Values, you'll learn to assign an attribute and a value within the opening tag of an HTML element.

Lesson 4: Text
In Text, you'll create text elements in an HTML document and use the different HTML elements to organize your text in a clear information hierarchy.

Lesson 5: Lists and Tables
In Lists and Tables, you'll create lists and tables to categorize, organize, show the steps in a process, and outline complex relationships between groups of information on a web page.
**Lesson 6: Links and Navigation**
In Links and Navigations, you’ll structure a website out of various documents, and link to these documents or external locations within your HTML documents.

**Lesson 7: Multimedia**
In Multimedia, you’ll distinguish between media formats and their storage options and use different HTML elements to create a simple website that contains multimedia elements.

**Lesson 8: Forms**
In Forms, you’ll learn the basics of HTML forms, one of the essential tools used by web developers to request, accept, and store data on a website.

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**Unit 2: CSS**
In Unit 2: CSS, you’ll learn the second of three languages that form the foundational languages of web development. You’ll start with an overview of CSS and see how CSS is applied to HTML to style web pages. Next, you’ll look at specific CSS stylization methods, including color and text modifications, as well as techniques for styling elements in a webpage. Then, you’ll look at the attributes of the box model and how you can use CSS to modify it. Finally, you’ll examine layout in CSS, including flexbox and CSS grid.

**Lesson 9: Introduction to CSS**
In Introduction to CSS, you’ll learn how and why CSS is used to style websites, and how CSS is used in conjunction with HTML.

**Lesson 10: Color**
In Color, you’ll modify color using CSS to communicate mood, purpose, and identity to a webpage.

**Lesson 11: Text**
In Text, you’ll embed a font in your web page, style elements using these fonts, modify their size and style, and set the text alignment of your elements.

**Lesson 12: Box Model**
In Box Model, you’ll use the various properties of CSS boxes to style your elements, particularly in relation to element borders and spacing, and position elements on a page using various CSS techniques.

**Lesson 13: Styling Elements**
In Styling Elements, you’ll add custom stylization to various HTML elements by modifying CSS properties.

**Lesson 14: Introduction to Layout**
In Introduction to Layout, you’ll use the position and float properties to specify how elements should be positioned on the page, and understand various approaches to styling the layout of a page.

**Lesson 15: Flexbox**
In Flexbox, you’ll apply the CSS Flexbox display property to simplify the process of positioning and sizing elements on the page.

**Lesson 16: CSS Grid**
In CSS Grid, you’ll use the CSS grid layout method to create complex arrangements of HTML elements.
Unit 3: Javascript Part I

In JavaScript, Part I, you'll begin to learn the third of three languages that form the foundational languages of web development. You'll start with an overview of JavaScript and see how JS is applied to HTML to add functionality to web pages. Next you'll look at JavaScript data types, operators and variables, and how to code JavaScript in an HTML page. Then, you'll use unconditional statements to execute code based on different conditions. Finally, you'll use operators to compare values and trigger actions and determine logic between values.

Lesson 17: Introduction to JavaScript
In Introduction to JavaScript, you'll get to know this wonderful language by getting an introduction to JavaScript, learn what it is, why developers use it, and how to use it in web page design.

Lesson 18: Data Types and Operators
In Data Types and Operators, you'll view primitive data types and have a look at the different operator types JavaScript contains, how to use them, and how to avoid common mistakes.

Lesson 19: Variables
In Variables, you'll create variables with var, let, and const, and learn about the different scopes by which these variables are accessible.

Lesson 20: DOM Manipulation
In DOM Manipulation, you'll explore the world of dynamic and interactive web technologies and learn how they work in conjunction with the Document Object Model (DOM).

Lesson 21: Conditional Statements
In Conditional Statements, you'll learn how to decide if specific code is going to be executed or not dependent on different conditions.

Lesson 22: Comparative and Logical Operators
In Comparative and Logical Operators, you'll begin to understand how logical operators work, learn what implicit type conversions are, and analyze what it means to write beautiful code.

Unit 4: Javascript Part II

In JavaScript, Part II, you'll dig deeper into your understanding of the JavaScript language. You'll learn how to repeat actions for specific numbers of iterations. Next, you'll look at JavaScript arrays, which allow us to store multiple values in a single variable. Then, you'll explore functions and how they're used in web development. Finally, you'll look at objects that contain properties which you can influence to behave a certain way.

Lesson 23: Loops
In Loops, you'll learn to repeat an action for a specific number of iterations based on specific conditions and stop loops when other conditions are met.

Lesson 24: Arrays
In Arrays, you'll learn to use arrays to store multiple values in a single variable, and access and manipulate array values.

Lesson 25: Functions
In Functions, you reveal the purpose of JavaScript functions, look at the diverse types, and explain what the difference between parameters and arguments is.
Lesson 26: Objects
In Objects, you’ll create, access, modify, and loop through objects, and learn when to use objects instead of arrays.

Lesson 27: Common JavaScript Events
In Common JavaScripts Events, you’ll apply some very common JavaScript events, and create event handlers that are attached to specific elements to react to events.

Lesson 28: Preparing for the Industry
In Preparing for the Industry, you’ll learn to use the basic GitHub flow to manage versions of your code and discuss basic job-hunting tips for when you begin looking for a new job as a developer.

The Front-End Developer course is 440 hours divided into 4 units.
Full Payment Plan — $1699  Monthly Payment Plan — $1999
GRAPHIC DESIGN

COURSE DESCRIPTION
Our online graphic design course will teach you everything you need to know to start working as a graphic designer for both print and web design. After taking this course, you’ll be proficient in Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator. Our online graphic design course prepares students for the Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) Certification Exam. Graduates will be able to pass the exam using both Photoshop and Illustrator.

Hours of video instruction, including over 100 on-screen tutorials, will teach you how to create high-quality designs from concept to execution. You'll explore design theory, color, typography, and layout as you learn the design techniques, methods, and processes used by today's professional graphic designers.

Throughout the course, you'll develop a well-rounded graphic design portfolio. You'll complete a series of design projects. Your projects will be reviewed by your mentor, a professional graphic designer. Your mentor will provide one-to-one feedback meant to help you grow as a designer. With their guidance, you'll learn what it takes to succeed as a graphic designer. Upon graduating, you'll be prepared to start working as a freelance designer or an entry-level production designer.

Course Objectives
- Perform production level design tasks.
- Navigate Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Photoshop.
- Develop and edit vector and raster assets.
- Develop assets for industry standard print and web applications.
- Recognize the tenets of a great design portfolio.
- Master design processes required for production-level tasks.
- Develop a basic portfolio.
- Complete the Adobe Certified Expert (ACE) certification exam for Illustrator and Photoshop.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Fundamentals of Design

Lesson 1.1: Elements and Principles of Design
In Elements and Principles of Design, you’ll be introduced to the elements and principles of design. You'll be able to identify all of the six basic design elements and describe the distinct attributes in your work. Furthermore, you'll understand how these elements interact with each other to create the principles of design.

Lesson 1.2: Adobe Illustrator Basics
In Adobe Illustrator Basics, you’ll begin to learn the basics of Adobe Illustrator, one of the essential tools used by graphic designers. After gaining understanding of when and when not to use Illustrator, you’ll learn important functions to create designs and save your work.
Lesson 1.3: Color Theory
In Color Theory, the complexity of color theory will be laid bare and you'll understand why it can be considered the most influential of design elements. You'll learn how to categorize and group complementary colors into visually and psychologically appealing color schemes.

Lesson 1.4: Adobe Illustrator Tools
In Adobe Illustrator Tools, you'll deepen your understanding of Adobe Illustrator's tools and the objects that can be created and transformed with them.

Unit 2: Visual Communication

Lesson 2.1: The Principle of Unity
In The Principle of Unity, you'll learn the three keys to creating successful designs and how to employ them to achieve unity. You'll also fully explore unity as a concept, understanding the types, elements and principles.

Lesson 2.2: Adobe Illustrator Color Tools
In Adobe Illustrator Color Tools, you'll learn a wide array of Adobe Illustrator's color tools and will employ your knowledge of color theory to create swatches and color groups.

Lesson 2.3: Introduction to Typography
In Introduction to Typography, you'll learn how to enhance legibility, readability and visual appeal with typography. You'll be introduced to the terminology, letterforms, and how to modify text and use Illustrator's type tools.

Lesson 2.4: Advanced Adobe Illustrator Functions
In Advance Adobe Illustrator Functions, you'll expand your growing knowledge of Adobe Illustrator by learning a variety of advanced functions. These advanced functions will help to increase productivity and improve workflow.

Unit 3: Image and Design

Lesson 3.1: Creating Emphasis
In Creating Emphasis, you'll learn how to adjust the visual weight of objects to improve the organizational structure and draw greater attention. You'll master the elements of emphasis and understand how they are used together to create the principles of emphasis.

Lesson 3.2: Adobe Photoshop Basics
In Adobe Photoshop Basics, you'll learn the basics of Adobe Photoshop and receive a crash-course on the basic terminology of photography. You'll then learn how to use Photoshop's tools to improve your photographic design imagery.

Lesson 3.3: Photography and Design
In Photography and Design, your understanding of Adobe Photoshop will be taken to the next level. You'll learn when to use Photoshop instead of another tool such as Illustrator, how to use Photoshop's functions to improve workflow, and more advanced techniques to improve photography design imagery.

Lesson 3.4: Global Adjustments in Adobe Photoshop
In Global Adjustments in Adobe Photoshop, your knowledge of Adobe Photoshop will once again be upgraded as you learn about global adjustments. You'll learn how to create layers, how to make a wide variety of global adjustments, and finally how to flatten layers into a completed photographic design.
Unit 4: Practical Design Application

Lesson 4.1: Layout Composition
In Layout Composition, all the design theory that you’ve learned will begin to come together. You'll unify and organize your designs according to a number of different systems of composition using compositional guidelines.

Lesson 4.2: Selective Adjustments in Adobe Photoshop
In Selective Adjustments in Adobe Photoshop, you'll be introduced to a new set of tools used to make selective adjustments to photographic design imagery. You'll also learn how to use spot retouching tools and how to create and modify a variety of masks.

Lesson 4.3: Advanced Adobe Photoshop Techniques
In Advance Adobe Photoshop Techniques, you’ll conclude your Photoshop training by learning advanced techniques. This final lesson will ensure that you have the requisite knowledge to confidently test to become certified in Adobe Photoshop.

Lesson 4.4: Design Process
In Design Process, you’ll gain familiarity with the design process. You’ll learn how to break the process down into four major parts and how to efficiently create designs in a logical sequence.

Lesson 4.5: Online Portfolio
In Online Portfolio, you'll prepare to find work as a graphic designer by preparing a beautiful online portfolio. Your portfolio will help you make lasting impressions with design professionals and potential clients or employers.

The Graphic Design course is 234 hours, which is divided into 4 units.

Full Payment Plan — $1499   Monthly Payment Plan — $1799
HOME STAGING

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course aims to teach students the fundamentals of preparing any property for selling and how to build the skills and confidence it takes to succeed. Students will learn the history of various furniture styles. Students will also master the art of networking, learn how to work with multiple vendors, and handle all of their clients’ needs.

NYIAD’s Home Staging Course has been certified by Designer Society of America. That means all NYIAD Home Staging Students and Graduates are eligible for DSA's Certified Home Staging Professional (CHSP).

Designer Society of America is an industry organization for fellow professionals and trade partners. It’s a society for and about home stagers, and is in contact with over 32,000 professionals, showrooms and other industry members. Founded in 1999, DSA strives to give a voice to individuals in the industry, and is open to residential home stagers, space planners, kitchen and bath designers, re-designers, and the trade companies that serve them. They provide a community for those in the home staging field, offering networking opportunities, consultations, and promotion. This best-in-class industry designation is a must for aspiring home stagers.

Course Objectives

After completing Unit 1, students should be able to:
- Know the history of home staging and the importance of home staging in real estate.
- Understand the difference between home staging and decorating.
- Specify their personal goals and preferences in home staging.
- Have a basic knowledge of the home staging industry and the opportunities in the business.
- Understand the central roles associated with the home staging process.
- Gain an understanding of the different types of projects a home stager would be involved in.
- Have a basic knowledge of the scope of a professional home staging project.
- Understand what’s required in order to work with real estate agents, companies, and homeowners directly.
- Become well informed about the purpose of home staging and why it exists.
- Understand demographic and psychographic analysis and how it pertains to home staging.
- Independently research and develop a target market profile for a local demographic market.

After completing Unit 2, students should be able to:
- Understand the decorating relationships of suitability in function, cost, mood, style, and harmony.
- Recognize different home design styles and when and where they may or may not be combined.
- Curate a catalog of furniture, furnishings, and room treatments based on style, mood, type, and function.
- Apply design solutions to decorating problems using the elements of design.
- Develop a personal taste in design, and tailor a home design to a suitable style.
- Develop a fundamental understanding of color and the usage of color in decorating.
- Apply color treatments to home decor and solve color treatment problems.
After completing Unit 3, students should be able to:
• Understand the fundamentals of furniture arrangement.
• Use the room and wall axis to create a room plan for furniture arrangement.
• Create a staging plan.
• Use a staging plan in the practical application of home staging for an individual room in the home.
• Develop knowledge of how lighting and accessories are used in home decorating.
• Utilize light and furnishing to best effect in dealing with practical home staging problems.
• Understand the fundamentals of photography as it pertains to interior architectural photography.
• Use a working knowledge of photography to photograph home staging projects.

After completing Unit 4, students should be able to:
• Understand why and how to clear a house of clutter and personal objects.
• Learn cost-effective ways to clean and touch up a home.
• Know the particular concerns associated with each room of the home regarding home staging.
• Solve common home design and decorating problems in a home being staged.
• Cost-efficiently and effectively stage each room of the home using the acquired decorating and design knowledge combined with practical application logic.
• Develop an understanding of the different floor, wall, and window treatments available.
• Apply an understanding of window, wall, and floor treatments to a home-staging project.

After completing Unit 5, students should be able to:
• Know how to work with clients, whether homeowners or real estate agents, on home staging projects.
• Understand basic business etiquette.
• Grow working relationships with myriad roles in the home staging process.
• Understand the home staging process from initial client interactions to final payment.
• Initiate a professional home staging project from start to finish.
• Know the home staging estimate, invoice, and contract process.
• Understand the elements and requirements of home staging contracts.
• Draft your own home staging contract terms based on project variables associated with home staging.

After completing Unit 6, students should be able to:
• Have a working knowledge of the scope of starting and running a home staging business.
• Understand the skills required of a home stager in a professional environment.
• Break down the financial considerations posed to active business owners.
• Know the types of insurance a home stager might require and the necessary tools to insure their business.
• Develop a business plan for a home staging business.
• Know the essential business concepts required to succeed as a small business owner.
• Know effective promotion techniques/solutions to create the best advantage possible in a competitive market.
• Understand pricing and how to price based on practical variables of the home and market.
• Create an online portfolio of existing work.
Unit 1: Understanding Home Staging
Lessons
- Introduction to Home Presentation
- Elements of Home Staging
- Psychology of Staging
- Unit One Project: Demographic Research

Unit 2: Basic Concepts
Lessons
- Eye of the Designer
- Design Concepts
- Understanding Color
- Unit Two Project: Creating a Moodboard

Unit 3: Decorating Concepts
Lessons
- Furniture Arrangement
- Light and Accessory
- Photography for Home Staging
- Unit Three Project: Staging a Room

Unit 4: Staging Application
Lessons
- Declutter and Depersonalize
- Staging Room by Room
- Architectural Details
- Unit Four Project: Staging a Home

Unit 5: Project Management
Lessons
- Professional Relationships
- Project Management
- Contracts
- Unit Five Project: Client Interaction

Unit 6: Professional Development
Lessons
- Starting a Home Staging Business
- Pricing and Promotion
- Industry Insights
- Unit Six Project: Creating a Portfolio

The Home Staging course is 120 hours, which is divided into 6 units.
Full Payment Plan — $849  Monthly Payment Plan — $1099
COURSE DESCRIPTION

This online interior design course is a comprehensive course that will teach you how to become a professional interior designer. Learn design trends and history, furniture styles and fabrics, color theory and lighting. Over 13 hours of HD video instruction featuring professional designers and a series of design projects are provided to help you master the skills necessary to make the most out of any space. Learn how to work with clients, from pricing and contracts to purchasing and scheduling, to provide you with the business skills needed to be successful.

This course is approved by Designer Society of America (DSA), and students can apply for their RIDQC Interior Design Certification. This industry certification is great for students looking to shift their passion for interior design into a thriving career.

Course Objectives

• Apply skills to design and decorate any interior space like a professional.
• Give examples of design trends, fabrics and furniture styles.
• Explain how to work with clients.
• Outline the processes of pricing and developing and maintaining contracts.
• Review purchasing and scheduling skills.
• Describe color theory and how to work with lighting.
• Discuss the different window and wall treatments available.
• Describe how to give a final presentation of your decoration scheme.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Nurturing Your Inner Designer

Lesson 1.1: Eye of the Designer
In Eye of the Designer, you'll begin by discussing NYIAD's three Basic Guidelines for Interior Design. Once you understand these guidelines, we'll review successful rooms in a new way, and you'll understand what makes an effective design work. You'll then apply the same intelligence to your own interior designs.

Lesson 1.2: Planning for People
In Planning for People, you'll discuss future interactions with potential clients. You'll learn professionalism when first meeting a client, how to determine what the client wants, the right questions to ask, and the best tips for conducting a successful interview.

Lesson 1.3: Sketching a Room
In Sketching a Room, you'll begin applying fundamental concepts of measurement and planning as you create a physical sketch of your first room. From windows and doors to heating and cooling units, you'll experience a step-by-step tutorial as you draft your first real room sketch.

Lesson 1.4: Suitability and Proportion
In Suitability and Proportion, you'll begin thinking about a room's finished picture from the start. From developing a mood and style to staying within a reasonable budget, this lesson will teach you to conceptualize a full design trajectory from the very beginning of any project.
Lesson 1.5: Color Basics
In Color Basics, you'll explore color theory. You'll focus on the basics by becoming familiar with the color wheel and the primary, secondary and tertiary hues. You'll learn how to mix primary hues to produce secondary and intermediate hues and begin to think about how you'll be using color in your design.

Lesson 1.6: How Decorators Charge
In How Decorators Charge, you'll learn the common business and financial dynamics of the interior design industry. You'll understand appropriate amounts to ask clients for compensation, the difference between pre-fixed and hourly structures as well as concepts of cost-effective décor shopping.

Lesson 1.7: Real Estate Staging
In Real Estate Staging, you'll learn the art of presenting a home that's for sale to its best advantage, using carefully planned lighting, props and expertly arranged furniture to highlight its best features and minimize its faults.

Lesson 1.8: Point, Click, Design
In Point, Click, Design, you'll discuss some of the computer basics you'll need to know. You'll look at a sampling of programs available, ranging from the most expensive, professional-quality design software to free programs you can download from the Internet.

Unit 2: Acquiring Skills and Techniques

Lesson 2.1: Drawing a Floorplan
In Drawing a Floorplan, you'll prepare to produce a finished floor plan drawn to scale. You'll discuss how this floorplan is used moving forward in the design workflow — from planning furniture to making a formal presentation to your clients.

Lesson 2.2: Proportion and Scale
In Proportion and Scale, you'll discuss some of the fundamental concepts of effective interior design — from maintaining a harmonic visual weight and balance to combining patterns and colors in an aesthetically pleasing way.

Lesson 2.3: Value and Hue
In Value and Hue, you'll experiment with changing the pigments of color. You're introduced to two ways to change the appearance of a color without changing its hue. These two ways involve changing either the value of the color or the intensity of the color, or both.

Lesson 2.4: Early American Farmhouse Style
In early American Farmhouse Style, you'll learn to effectively identify and accurately label different styles of furniture as you become more comfortable with industry terminology and design trends. You'll visualize which styles fit in effectively with certain looks so you can plan accordingly in your future designs.

Lesson 2.5: Letters of Agreement
In Letters of Agreement, you'll accomplish writing a simple Letter of Agreement to protect you, be agreeable to your clients, and lead naturally to their cheerfully giving you a deposit.

Lesson 2.6: Decluttering, Organization, and Storage
In Decluttering, Organization, and Storage, you'll learn how to design practically to accommodate a client’s lifestyle. Whether your client has young children, a physical disability, or any other sort of need, you can create a space with a sustainable look they'll easily be able to keep clean and organized.
Unit 3: Working with Furnishings and Fabrics

Lesson 3.1: Furniture Layout
In Furniture Layout, you'll establish a simple, easy-to-follow technique to use when designing a furniture layout for any room. You'll understand the right questions to ask about a design simply by looking at any given floorplan.

Lesson 3.2: Form
In Forms, you'll discuss the importance of furniture arrangement in terms of relating shape to space in an aesthetically pleasing way. You'll understand how to maintain the right balance when you place furnishings in a room as well as discuss the importance form plays in furniture arrangement and interior design as a whole.

Lesson 3.3: Mood
In Mood, you'll learn how color selection plays an influential role in the mood of a room. You'll review the initial color selection process and how deciding on a mood you wish to convey in the room beforehand will guide your color choices in designing the room. You'll discussing these factors and how they impact the mood you create.

Lesson 3.4: Decorating with Fabrics
In Decorating with Fabrics, you'll discuss everything you need to know about the process of browsing and selecting the right fabrics. From twill and pile weaves to heat transfer printing, you'll gain a comprehensive understanding of all textures and styles of interior décor-appropriate fabrics.

Lesson 3.5: Mediterranean and French Styles
In Mediterranean and French Styles, you'll discuss and delve deeper into the history and modern application of perhaps the earliest style of furniture still in common use today. From general characteristics to common decorative execution, you'll learn how to effectively identify and incorporate this style into your future designs with ease.

Lesson 3.6: Client-Designer Relationship
In Client-Designer Relationship, you'll learn to tactfully and professionally handle the most common interactions with interior design clients in the future. From presenting the preliminary budget to helping clients define their taste, you'll learn to master effective, polite communication.

Lesson 3.7: Room Design
In Room Design, you'll understand the process of communicating with your clients, analyzing their current space and understanding their goals for the future look. Helpful tips and techniques are provided to help you redesign your client’s home, so it looks lively (or tranquil) and inviting again.

Unit 4: Setting the Decorating Stage

Lesson 4.1 Planning for Lighting
In Planning and Lighting, you'll determine how to plan for lighting the rooms you’re designing. You'll understand how to think about the function of each room, decide what mood to create, and consider how the different lighting types will harmonize the rooms.

Lesson 4.2: Balance
In Balance, you'll discuss concepts of balance, beginning with a discussion of the difference between formal and informal balance. Explore when an execution of one versus the other is appropriate in a given room, and how to style accordingly.
Lesson 4.3: Color Schemes
In Color Schemes, you’ll select the specific colors to use in a color scheme. Every room should be designed around a color scheme. The ultimate objective of your study of color theory is to enable you to use your sense of color to produce appealing color schemes.

Lesson 4.4: Window Treatments
In Window Treatments, you’ll study the many ways to decorate a client’s windows to add harmonious, supplementary style to any design. From roll-up blinds to shoji screens, you’ll explore a number of different stylistic options while learning the settings in which they’re best fit.

Lesson 4.5: English Furniture Styles
In English Furniture Styles, you’ll look at furniture styles of the 17th century, often referred to in the design world as Jacobean style. You’ll learn to identify furniture of this style and when and where it’s appropriate to include it in your client’s designs.

Lesson 4.6: Vendor Relationships
In Vendor Relationship, you’ll learn how to work with your vendors to get the best service from them with the least hassle so you’ll truly consider them easy to work with on a consistent basis.

Lesson 4.7: Green Design
In Green Design, you’ll be introduced you to what’s commonly called “green design” or “sustainable design,” something that you’ll come to find is an extension of NYIAD’s Guideline Three, Harmony. You’ll learn the terminology and tactics of this design niche and prepare to style accordingly for any client interested in going green.

Unit 5: Bringing Harmony into Your Designs

Lesson 5.1: Harmony
In Harmony, you’ll review what you have learned thus far to produce a complete, harmonious room.

Lesson 5.2: Flooring Treatments
In Flooring Treatments, you’ll study the techniques for choosing appropriate flooring materials to use in any given room. From quarry tiling to oriental rugs, you’ll gather a comprehensive understanding of your flooring treatment options and when and where certain choices are likely a better fit.

Lesson 5.3: Wall Treatments
In Wall Treatments, you’ll apply the concepts of function, mood and harmony when making effective, aesthetically pleasing choices of wall décor. You’ll learn about numerous options, from paint to stone to marble and wood, to help determine when and where certain looks are more appropriate.

Lesson 5.4: 20th Century Styles
In 20th Century Styles, you’ll study the Art Nouveau, Art Deco, Bauhaus and Post-Modernism movements of furniture design as we delve into the popular styles of the 20th century. You’ll learn the trajectory of their popularity throughout history and discuss the effective incorporation of these looks in the present.

Lesson 5.5: Opening Your Own Studio
In Opening Your Own Studio, you’ll dive into the numerous career options available to graduates of this course. Since most of our interior design students hope to someday launch their own business, you’ll discuss the intricacies of this professional process, preparing you to effectively make this move someday.
Lesson 5.6: Accessories
In Accessories, you’ll discuss the smaller accessory adjustments to add supplementary style and aesthetic interest to any room. From rustic to romantic, you’ll try different moods to achieve and then investigate methods of choosing and placing accessories accordingly.

Lesson 5.7: Universal Design
In Universal Design, you’ll understand the effective design of architecture, products and interiors that are created for easy use for everyone, including those with physical disabilities. You’ll learn the importance of creating an environment that is comfortable for everyone and how to adjust your workflow accordingly to ensure doing so.

Unit 6: Putting It All Together

Lesson 6.1: Finished Presentation
In Finished Presentation, you’ll discuss a number of different ways you can handle your finished presentation when revealing your work to your clients. From presenting furniture samples to scheduling meetings at an appropriate frequency, you’ll master effective communication when working with clients.

Lesson 6.2: Kitchens
In Kitchens, you’ll study the most effective ways to design a beautiful kitchen without sacrificing functionality and practical comfort. From analyzing traffic patterns to planning sufficient counter space, you’ll design a kitchen with the perfect collaboration of style and function.

Lesson 6.3: Baths
In Baths, you’ll discuss the best methods of placing plumbing, fixtures and décor in an effort to build a beautiful bathroom, keeping in mind the ultimate goals of creating open space, connoting luxury, and facilitating relaxation.

Lesson 6.4: Architectural History
In Architectural History, you’ll explore various historical architectural styles, remembering that in order to create a harmonious interior, you need an understanding of the various architectural styles and details. This will help you choose furniture, color schemes, and accessories that are appropriate.

Lesson 6.5: Specialty Rooms
In Specialty Rooms, you’ll discuss unique places such as home offices, conservatories, or wine cellars that can be found in certain homes. By developing a better understanding of their functions and common aesthetics, you’ll be equipped with the design sense to style whatever room a potential client desires.

Lesson 6.6: Promotion and Sales Techniques
In Promotion and Sales Techniques, you’ll discuss how to succeed as a professional interior designer. From developing a portfolio to creating your first professional website, learn the intricate details of effective marketing and promotion as you grow your first business.

Lesson 6.7: Interior Planning Case Studies
In Interior Planning Case Studies, you’ll browse a collection of interior planning case studies to give you inspirational ideas—and a good dose of confidence—in the process of transforming a bare room into a finished floorplan suitable for final presentation to a client.

The Interior Design course is 270 hours, which is divided into 6 units.

Full Payment Plan — $999
Monthly Payment Plan — $1299
COURSE DESCRIPTION

This online Jewelry Design course will help you master the art of jewelry design, from the basics to more advanced beading and wire working techniques. You'll learn different layout patterns, string beads, jump rings, French wire transitions, Danish clusters, and knotted necklaces. Professional jewelry designers will demonstrate these techniques and more on stunning HD video and will provide you with the basic business skills necessary to sell your work online or in-person at trunk shows and craft fairs.

Everything you need to complete a series of design projects is provided in this course, including beads and a full tool kit. These projects will be evaluated by your mentor, an experienced jewelry designer who will give you feedback and help you master the skills taught in the course.

Course Objectives

- Master the art of jewelry design from the basic to more advanced beading and wire techniques.
- Demonstrate skills in different layout patterns, string beads, jump rings, French wire transitions, Danish clusters, and knotted necklaces.
- Create unique pieces of jewelry.
- Describe the importance of color, balance, volume, emphasis, line and texture when creating jewelry pieces.
- Learn the strategies of jewelry display that will enhance his or her work and photograph them.
- Create cohesive lines of jewelry that represent his or her signature style.
- Explain basic business skills and techniques to sell work online or in person.
- Maintain creativity by learning about new techniques to set their jewelry apart, as well as how to find outlets for inspiration.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Getting Started in Jewelry Design

Lesson 1.1: Eye of the Jewelry Designer

In Eye of the Jewelry Designer, you'll discuss NYIAD's Three Guidelines for Jewelry Design™. These simple concepts are important to keep in mind with every piece you create and are key elements in every successful piece of jewelry. You’ll also begin looking at jewelry with a “designer’s eye,” thinking about how each piece was created and determining what materials and techniques were used.

Lesson 1.2: A Short History of Beaded Jewelry

In A Short History of Beaded Jewelry, you’ll explain the role that beads have played in human history. You’ll learn how to describe the origin of beads and their role in human history as well as how to list some of the religious and symbolic meanings that have been attached to beads over time.
Lesson 1.3: Introduction to Tools and Materials
In Introduction to Tools and Materials, you'll learn about the different types of jewelry making tools, beads, and supplies. You'll learn to recognize different jewelry making tools and their functions, list different types of beads, and understand “findings” by identifying their different components.

Lesson 1.4: Buying Tools and Supplies
In Buying Tools and Supplies, you'll explore the different places where you can buy jewelry making supplies. You'll learn to list the different types of bead and tool suppliers as well as the best methods for purchasing jewelry supplies both online and at retail stores.

Unit 2: Basic Skills and Techniques

Lesson 2.1: Design and Color
In Design and Color, you'll be introduced to fundamental design concepts, including the elements of color theory, composition, and common jewelry styles. You'll learn to create several types of color schemes, define a variety of color categories, and explain characteristics such as volume, emphasis, line and texture.

Lesson 2.2: Stringing Techniques, Part 1
In Stringing Techniques, Part 1, you'll execute several important beading techniques. You'll learn to lay out a pattern on a bead board, measure string correctly, use crimp beads, open and close a jump ring, and string beads on a tiger tail.

Lesson 2.3: Wire Working Techniques, Part 1
In Wire Working Techniques, Part 1, you'll review how to measure string and crimp beads, attach chains to a multi-strand divider and execute several wire-wrapping techniques including a simple loop, wrapped loop, and a loop with chain.

Lesson 2.4: Budgeting and Logging Costs
In Budgeting and Logging Costs, you'll understand different strategies for budgeting, keeping track of expenses and pricing your jewelry. From creating a spreadsheet to developing a fair pricing system for your finished work, you'll obtain the skills necessary to run a profitable business.

Unit 3: Advancing Your Design Skills

Lesson 3.1: Stringing Techniques, Part 2
In Stringing Techniques, Part 2, you'll learn some advanced stringing techniques to create more elaborate beaded jewelry. You'll learn to create beaded earrings and necklaces with French wires, to utilize knotting between beads, to master the right-angle weave technique, and to string and stitch beads in more complex weaving patterns.

Lesson 3.2: Wire Working Techniques, Part 2
In Wire Working Techniques, Part 2, you'll master advanced wire working techniques that will allow you to create a wide variety of jewelry designs. You'll explain different types and qualities of wire, creating Danish wire clusters, single and double wire spirals, as well as large-scale webs, hoops, and wire details for bracelets and pendants.

Lesson 3.3: Developing a Signature Look
In Developing a Signature Look, you'll study creative strategies for developing jewelry designs. From identifying several different strategies for adding innovation to your style to building on said techniques throughout the design process, you'll master what it takes to create a line of jewelry that truly is eye-catching.
Lesson 3.4: Copyright Law
In Copyright Law, you’ll follow as Cynthia Stern, a skilled and passionate beader, interviews a New York City lawyer, Sarah Feingold, about copyrights and the legal nuances of protecting jewelry designs in order to protect your original designs.

Unit 4: Developing Your Style

Lesson 4.1: Creating Unique Findings
In Creating Unique Findings, you’ll learn how to make your own decorative findings with wire. You'll create a hook and eye clasp as well as more complex decorative clasps, a variety of earring hooks, forged findings, and bead connectors.

Lesson 4.2: Focusing on Color Trends
In Focusing on Color Trends, you’ll learn to follow color trends to keep your jewelry designs current. You’ll discuss the most effective methods of monitoring and identifying color trends, the right ways to use color in an effort to keep your designs current, and the importance of incorporating some sense of color trend in your styles.

Lesson 4.3: Advanced Jewelry Photography
In Advanced Jewelry Photography, you'll learn some simple, reliable techniques and setups for photographing your jewelry. The lesson explains the importance of taking good photographs to create simple still-life setups for photographing your work. Along the way, you’ll develop several go-to techniques to improve the overall quality of your product images.

Lesson 4.4: Building Your Brand
In Building Your Brand, you’ll discuss how to approach building your brand as a jewelry maker. That means taking the time to create a branded package that extends throughout your entire line, from your jewelry to your business cards to your website and ultimately to yourself.

Unit 5: Creating a Unique Brand

Lesson 5.1: Creating a Distinct Line of Jewelry
In Creating a Distinct Line of jewelry, you'll learn to design a completely cohesive line of jewelry that reflects your signature style. From developing an inspiration point to learning to combine the right tools and colors, you’ll complete an entire line from start to finish.

Lesson 5.2: Starting Your Own Business
In Starting Your Own Business, you’ll learn the basics on how to start your own small jewelry design business. You'll explore the necessary research to develop a business model and write a cohesive plan. You'll discern the difference between sole proprietorship, partnership, and corporation. Review the wholesale option by outlining the steps required to have jewelry produced in quantity.

Lesson 5.3 Finding Your Inspiration
In Finding Your Inspiration, you'll learn techniques to use when “designer’s block” strikes, to help you design interesting, creative jewelry designs. Uncover creative strategies to help you create new, unique designs, then build upon your existing talents to help you continue creating more new designs down the road.
Unit 6: Designing as a Professional

Lesson 6.1: Creating and Photographing Jewelry Displays
In Creating and Photographing Jewelry Displays, you’ll learn to display your jewelry in a way that will attract the attention of potential customers. From creating attractive displays for crafts fairs and trunk shows to creating a complete photography set, we provide the best tips and tricks of the industry for showcasing your work to potential clients.

Lesson 6.2: Selling Your Work Online and at Craft Shows
In Selling Your Work Online and at Craft Shows, you'll discuss what it’s like to sell your work on Etsy and other available online marketplaces. Know how to host your own trunk show and the best methods for locating and participating in craft shows around your area.

Lesson 6.3: Ergonomics
In Ergonomics, you'll gather tips for creating a work environment to help avoid the health problems that can occur over time when performing repetitive tasks. From building a workstation to using your tools with the proper technique, you'll take the steps to minimize stress on your body.

Lesson 6.4: Maintaining Your Creativity
In Maintaining Your Creativity, you'll develop more techniques for finding inspiration and creating unique designs. You'll discuss the best strategies for overcoming a designer's creative block as well as several advanced jewelry making techniques you might be interested in adding to your skill set.

The Jewelry Design course is 170 hours which is divided into 6 units.
Full Payment Plan — $699   Monthly Payment Plan — $999
LANDSCAPE DESIGN

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This Landscape Design course covers the fundamentals of design and quickly advances to professional hands-on techniques. You'll learn important business concepts and practices necessary to operate a landscape design business. Learn what you’ll actually use on the job, all in a convenient online course.

Students learn basic design techniques and their application to the development of landscaped properties. The course also provides instruction on the identification and application of the plants and structural materials used to execute landscape design projects. In addition, the course provides instruction on the basic business concepts and practices necessary to operate a landscape design business as well as theory and knowledge needed to maintain existing landscaped systems.

Course Objectives
• Describe how to interpret the visual elements used during the overall landscape design process, including drawings and graphics tools, and apply this knowledge to the development of personal design concepts.
• Explain how to visualize the landscape site and design space as outdoor rooms and apply standard design principles to enhance the appearance of residential and commercial outdoor space.
• Apply mathematical and computer-based solutions to both the design and business-related functions of the landscaping design process.
• Identify various, plants, flowers, surface materials, and enclosures used to create and enhance exterior design spaces, and describe the many applications and configurations used for these materials.
• Identify and define essential business concepts utilized by landscaping professionals to operate successful businesses, such as the generation and interpretation of contracts and specifications, human resource management, safety and OSHA compliance, and customer service.
• Describe the various aspects of the irrigation, winterizing, and general maintenance required for established landscapes.

COURSE OUTLINE
Throughout each lesson, you’ll be required to complete reading assignments in your textbook, The Essential Garden Design Workbook.

Unit 1- Introduction to Landscape Design
Lesson 1.1: Introduction to Landscape Design
In Introduction to Landscape Design, you'll explore the basics of landscape design, including helpful knowledge needed to understand the landscape of design language.

Lesson 1.2: Assessing the Site and Your Client's Needs
In Assessing the Site and Your Client’s Needs, you’ll will begin the design process using client interviews and site evaluations.

Lesson 1.3: The Landscape in Context
Lesson 1.4: Assessing the Site's Existing Conditions
In Assessing the Site's Existing Conditions, you'll learn basic sketching and drawing principles and combine those with elements of the site evaluation and client interview to create a rough concept diagram.

Unit 2: Developing the Landscape Design

Lesson 2.1: Preparing the Design
In Preparing the Landscape Design, you'll explore the basics of landscape design and knowledge needed to better understand landscape design.

Lesson 2.2: The Ground Plane
In The Ground Plane, you'll review the development of the overall design theme and the establishment of lawn and planting areas based on the theme developed. Lesson coverage also includes the addition of pathways and patios to the development of the design. The student continues to develop presentation skills through the use of grid lines and detailed drawing features in their plan.

Lesson 2.3: Hard Landscaping Materials
In Hard Landscaping Materials, you'll be provided a summary of the process used to select the materials necessary to execute the desired design plan.

Lesson 2.4: Raising the Landscape

Lesson 2.5: Overhead Features and Barriers
In Overhead Features and Barriers, you'll be introduced to the specific steps followed for selecting vertical elements in a design and the process for adding trees and plants to accomplish specific design goals.

Lesson 2.6: Finalizing the Garden
In Finalizing the Garden, you'll address building codes and how they factor into the completion of a final design.

Unit 3: Landscape Design Tools

Lesson 3.1: First Steps in Plant Selection
In First Steps in Plant Selection, you'll dive into greater depth, discussing the topic of landscape design and the tools you'll use as a landscape designer.

Lesson 3.2: Completing the Plant Selection
In Completing the Plant Selection, you'll learn how the purpose-specifics contribute to a design and how to select the correct plants through the application of recognized design principles.

Lesson 3.3: Plant Identification Techniques
In Plant Identification Techniques, you'll be introduced to the concept of plant morphology and how this technique can be used to identify unknown plants. We also provide instruction on the creation and maintenance of plant notebooks.

Lesson 3.4: Landscape Design and Graphics

Lesson 3.5: A Designer's Tools
In A Designer's Tools, you'll receive an overview of the drafting tools that are used to create landscape designs and how to use drafting tools properly. Students will also learn the steps in the landscape design process, how different presentation graphics are used in landscape design, and how plans and drawings can be used to help clients and contractors understand the design.
Unit 4: Designing the Landscape

Lesson 4.1: Lines in Design
In Lines in Design, you'll apply your understanding of landscape design and begin your journey into the practical process of designing a landscape.

Lesson 4.2: Lettering
In Lettering, you'll expand your drawing and design skills by learning how to control line quality and how to apply different line types to create the master plan. The lesson also covers lettering and the use of symbols to represent specific plants in a design.

Lesson 4.3: The Symbols in Landscape Design

Lesson 4.4: Drawing the Ground Plane

Lesson 4.5: Elements of the Final Drawing Plan
In Elements of the Final Drawing Plan, you'll learn techniques for drawing the ground plane using texture to create a design that's visually pleasing and clearly represents all parts of the design. Preparation of a master plan drawing using labeling to describe symbols and other design elements of the plan concludes the lesson.

Unit 5: Design Finalization and Business Management

Throughout each lesson, you'll be required to complete reading assignments in your textbooks, Plan Graphics for the Landscape Designer and The Professional Landscaper’s Handbook: Everything You Need to Know to Start and Run Your Own Landscaping or Lawn Care Business.

Lesson 5.1: Adding Color
In Adding Color, you'll journey further into the practical process of designing a landscape and finalize your design. Additionally, you'll look at business management techniques to help you better run your landscape business.

Lesson 5.2: Section Drawing
In Section Drawing, you'll earn the drawing and design process with an introduction to tools used to add color and sections to plans. Students are introduced to drawing software that can be used in plan drawing and the basic functions of standard drawing software.

Lesson 5.3: Computer Graphics and Design

Lesson 5.4: Starting Your Landscape Business Right

Lesson 5.5: Starting Your Landscape Business Profitable

Lesson 5.6: Making Sure Your Business Is Legally Sound
In Making Sure Your Business Is Legally Sound, you'll learn the process and materials required to start a landscaping business, including the minimum equipment required, legal issues encountered in landscape business, expectations of an employer, and how to write contracts and bid jobs.
Unit 6: Landscape Maintenance

Throughout each lesson, you'll be required to complete reading assignments in your textbook, The Professional Landscaper’s Handbook: Everything You Need to Know to Start and Run Your Own Landscaping or Lawn Care Business.

Lesson 6.1: Managing Turfgrass
In Managing Turfgrass, after finalizing the design, you'll look into the practical elements involved in maintaining the designed landscape.

Lesson 6.2: Maintaining Landscape Plants
In Maintaining Landscape Plants, you'll be instructed on how to maintain a client’s lawn as well as the installation and maintenance of plants in an established setting. Topics include the fertilization and irrigation of turfgrass and plants.

Lesson 6.3: Understanding Soils
In Understanding Soils, you'll learn to identify different soil types and the use of different soil amendments based on soil tests and soil pH.

Lesson 6.4: Pruning

Lesson 6.5: Irrigation Maintenance
In Irrigation Maintenance, you'll be instructed on pruning trees and shrubs and the performance of typical property maintenance.

The Landscape Design course is 270 hours divided into 6 units.

Full Payment Plan — $999  Monthly Payment Plan — $1299
PERSONAL STYLE

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This comprehensive new online stylist course will teach you everything you want to know about the worlds of fashion and style. Starting with the fundamentals of fashion history and color theory, you'll learn current fashion trends and the nuances of different looks and styles. From clothing to hair and makeup, professional stylists will show you how to work with clients of all body types, ages, budgets and professions in a series of instructional videos shot in stunning HD quality. You'll also learn the business skills necessary to succeed as a professional stylist, personal shopper or image consultant.

Along the way, you'll complete a series of style projects to help you master the skills taught in the course. A professional stylist assigned to be your teacher and mentor will review your work and help you improve as you work through the course and graduate.

Course Objectives
- Master the worlds of fashion, style, and makeup.
- Describe the fundamentals of fashion history and color theory.
- Explain current fashion trends and the nuances of different looks and styles, including global styles and trends from around the world.
- Dress clients of all body types, ages, budgets and professions.
- Discuss the influencers of style in the world today.
- Perform a closet audit and then plan a personal shopping trip within a client’s budget.
- Explain the concept of “fit” and dressing for your body type– including the roles of accessories and fabrics.
- Demonstrate the business skills necessary to become a personal stylist, personal shopper or image consultant.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: The Educated Fashionista

Lesson 1.1: Birth of a Designer
Explore the history of several famous fashion icons of the industry as we attempt to put your pursuit of fashion into perspective. You'll discuss the role of fashion in society as well as the importance of developing a more comprehensive understanding of its global applications.

Lesson 1.2: History of Fashion
Journey through the historic trajectory of fashion development and stylistic changes across the globe. From the Golden Age of French Fashion to 1960s youth culture designers, this section provides an all-encompassing look at how style has changed and grown throughout history.
Lesson 1.3: The Wide World of Fashion
In the wide world of fashion, you’ll make a distinction between the personal shopper and the personal stylist. From there, you’ll explore a number of ways in which one could apply the knowledge gained from this course to a unique career within the real-world style industry.

Lesson 1.4: Vocabulary of Style
In Vocabulary of Style, you’ll be provided you with some of the terminology you need to navigate the fashion world. When warranted, this lesson will also provide a historical context to certain fashion language.

Unit 2: The Elements of Style

Lesson 2.1: Color Theory and Analysis
In Color Theory and Analysis, you’ll be provided a foundation of color understanding you can apply as a personal stylist. Use this knowledge to create striking ensembles for yourself or clients and to complement and flatter personal coloring and skin tone so that you and your clients always look wonderful.

Lesson 2.2: Design and Fit
In Design and Fit, you’ll take a closer look at those conventions of fashion as a storytelling platform and at how fashion designers blend color, texture and fit to create styles. At the end of the lesson, you’ll turn to working stylists for some practical style tips.

Lesson 2.3: Fabric and Textures: Quality and Care
Explore fabric and texture in terms of a garment’s particular characteristics, quality, advantages and disadvantages, whether it’s synthetic, natural or blended and how to care for it.

Lesson 2.4: Tailoring: Men, Women and Children
Establish a natural understanding of when to alter, what can be altered and how to alter, all in an effort to save you time and money. Learn how tailoring can add polish and sophistication, particularly when it comes to men’s business suits, and can make a world of difference in your personal and professional prospects.

Unit 3: Focus on Fashion

Lesson 3.1: Fashion Interpretations
Assemble the cyclically trendy nature of fashion into a clearer context as we look to the past and the present inspirations in contemporary fashion design. While your discussion will focus primarily on European and American fashion design, you’ll also touch on trends in Asia.

Lesson 3.2: Fashion Trends and Trend Forecasting
You’ll explore why some fashion fads catch on and others don’t. Explore the origins of certain trends as well as the cyclical nature of others as we continue to provide an introduction to the fascinating, complex world of fashion-trend forecasting.

Lesson 3.3: Style and Look
We transition from abstract theories of design and color and fashion basics to learn to craft a fashion “look” or signature style for ourselves and/or for our clients.
Lesson 3.4: Fashion’s International Focus
We discuss the fact that fashion increasingly has an international playing field with global “brands” dominating fashion trends, and that said globalization has had a few palpable effects of which we will further analyze.

Unit 4: Shapes and Colors

Lesson 4.1: Body Types
We move from the theoretical to the practical so you can use your fashion know-how to flatteringly dress clients of various body types. You’ll analyze examples of a client’s body type and determine what clothes will minimize flaws and accentuate the positives.

Lesson 4.2: Shapewear, Loungewear, and Bra Fit
Learn how a well-dressed woman knows to address the details and how to complement an outfit with shapewear and the proper bra. Understand how to make the most of your own or your client’s body - a crucial component in a great look.

Lesson 4.3: Accessories
Take your first step in learning the fundamentals of shoe (and boot) quality, care and style. From there we learn that shoes, boots, scarves, belts, jewelry and sunglasses need to be selected according to body type, height, facial proportions, coloring, the occasion, your budget and the overall look you are trying to achieve.

Lesson 4.4: Cosmetics
You’ll discuss the relationship between style and makeup. Whether you chose to partner with a professional makeup artist, or you make some cosmetic recommendations yourself, this lesson will give you the know-how to weave the cosmetic element into the overall look with ease.

Unit 5: Complete the Look

Lesson 5.1: Men’s Wear
Review men’s body types and how to buy clothes and styles that flatter and camouflage figure flaws. Discuss some basics about shoes and accessories, quality, fit, design and style – all the finishing touches you need to get the entire look assembled.

Lesson 5.2: Age-Appropriate Dress
We clarify some fashion etiquette as we discuss the best way to dress clients of all ages. From avoiding certain trends to choosing tasteful accessories, you’ll be prepared to develop a flattering, age-appropriate wardrobe for any client demographic, regardless of how old they are.

Lesson 5.3: Maternity Clothes
We guide you through the best ways to work with pregnant women when selecting a flattering, fashionable wardrobe. Considering comfort and practicality, you’ll walk through the best stylistic choices as we discuss the most effective way to satisfy clients in a number of different settings.

Lesson 5.4: Children and Teen Wear
You’ll take a closer look at the retail fashion world for children and teenagers, examining the issues you may confront as a personal shopper or stylist. You’ll then look more closely at children and teenagers as consumers in the largely uncharted and rapidly growing retail.
Unit 6: Putting It All Together

Lesson 6.1: Wardrobe Staples and Closet Evaluations
Learn the key steps in doing closet work and get clarity on all the items that should be staples in anyone’s closet, an important fundamental aspect of helping people with their personal style. We teach you how to effectively identify your client’s color and style preferences, buying habits, go-to ensembles, the care they take with clothing, how organized they are, how they accessorize and more.

Lesson 6.2: Planning a Personal Shopping Trip and Working with a Budget
You’ll build on everything you’ve learned so far in the previous units as we go on location with Valerie Halfon, a contributing consultant for this course and a professional personal shopper. By following a day in the life of Valerie, you’ll gain great insight on the day-to-day dynamic of this career.

Lesson 6.3: Industry Career Paths
Explore the available career options available to you in this growing industry as you start to develop a sense of what you’d like to do once you receive your certificate from NYIAD. From there, you’ll discuss effective interviewing skills as we help you develop your first design portfolio.

Lesson 6.4: Starting Your Own Business: What You Need to Know
Discuss the most effective methods for launching a sustainable, professional business. From developing a mission statement and logo to effectively marketing and networking within the field, by the end of this lesson you’ll have the know-how to take your style skills to the professional level by starting your own business.

The Personal Style course is 270 hours, which is divided into 6 units.
Full Payment Plan — $899  Monthly Payment Plan — $1199
The User Experience (UX) Design Course teaches students the fundamentals of UX/UI design using Adobe XD. With the skills learned in this course, you’ll have the knowledge needed to design, prototype, and spec websites and applications for development. Students will apply a fundamental understanding of design principles, iconography, imagery, typography, navigation, and layout to create better user experiences. Students will explore advanced methods of asset management, design systems, interactivity, prototyping, and animation to design, style, and enhance websites and applications. Finally, students will learn the skills needed for the practical application of UX/UI design using the Adobe XD application as they create user interface designs, prototypes, and projects for a professional UX design portfolio.

Course Objectives
After completing the User Experience Design course, students will be able to:

- Perform production level UX design tasks using Adobe XD.
- Create and edit web design mockups, comps, and prototypes of user interfaces.
- Develop assets and specifications for web and application development.
- Use color, graphics, images type, layout, and interactivity to enhance the function of a user interface.
- Apply design theories and methods to develop user-first approaches to UX design.
- Produce successful user experiences on the web using the design process.
- Plan and develop a working UX design portfolio.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: UX Fundamentals
User experience design is intertwined with user interface design. In this unit, you’ll take your first steps into the fundamentals of user experience. To start, you’ll work from the ground up by learning the basics of user experience design, fundamentals of design relating to shape and form, and theories of symbolism and iconography as they relate to communication. Then, you’ll take that theoretical understanding and apply it to a practical design using basic tools in Adobe XD to start designing user interfaces.

Lesson 1: Introduction to UX Design
In this lesson, you’ll take an introductory look at user interfaces and user experience. We will also analyze the skills, tools, and workflows used by UX designers and UX design teams.

Lesson 2: Adobe XD Basics
In this lesson, we will take our first steps in the Adobe XD application, including basic file management, interface terminology, application navigation, document setup, and project modification.
Lesson 3: Graphic Elements
In this lesson, we take our next steps in Adobe XD by creating vector shapes using drawing and shape tools. Then, we will look at the different properties associated with shapes for stylization of graphic elements.

Lesson 4: Symbols and Icons
Now that we know how to make shapes, in this lesson, we will explore symbols and iconography so that we can understand how to use shapes, symbols and icons in interface design.

Lesson 5: User Interface Design
In this lesson, we will explore the user interface. Here, you'll take a look at the intricacies of different types of UIs, analyze the basic anatomy of an interface, and look at ways to import pre-built design templates in Adobe XD.

Unit 2: UX Methods
Most of what you’ve learned so far deals with basic shapes and properties. In this unit, you’ll broaden your theoretical notions of user experience by looking at some of the methods used to expand your design thinking and analysis. You’ll explore some foundational theories of imagery and typography — some of the more intriguing aspects of visual communication — and apply what we have learned in Adobe XD by adding type and image to our designs. After that, you’ll begin to look at two of the primary pieces of working in Adobe XD, objects and layers, and explore how to save and manage unique objects for reuse by creating asset libraries in our document.

Lesson 6: UX Design Theory
In this lesson, we will delve into the theoretical aspects of user experience, including the elements and principles of design, UX design factors, and methods of design analysis that can be applied to your projects.

Lesson 7: Imagery
In this lesson, we will begin to put images in our design. First, we will examine the principles of designing with imagery. Then, we’ll look at how to add and make basic and advanced modifications to images in your design.

Lesson 8: Typography
In this lesson, we will explore another essential aspect of design—type. First, we will analyze the anatomy, readability, and legibility of type, better understand font selection for web design, and add text to an XD project.

Lesson 9: Layers, Groups, and Objects
In this lesson, we will find out more about objects and layers in Adobe XD. First, we will add, edit, and organize layer objects using the Layers panel. Then, we will explore object positioning and alignment in the application.

Lesson 10: Asset Management
In this lesson, we’ll look at the importance, conventions, and techniques associated with asset management. Then, we will learn how to use assets in our design in Adobe XD with the Assets panel.
Unit 3: UX Strategies

In the previous two units, you've analyzed many of the visual aspects of design, while learning theories surrounding user experience design. In this unit, you'll start to connect the dots between UX theory and UX practice by reviewing some of the strategies and methods associated with creating websites and applications. We will start with looking at the UX design process in full. Then, most of what you'll cover is associated with the organization of content—whether in the site architecture, content strategy, visual layout, or design systems we create to communicate within the design team. All of this leads to a better understanding of the work required to produce useful, functional, and goal-oriented experiences.

Lesson 11: UX Design Process
In this lesson, we will explore the design process associated with creating a better user experience. Here, we will start with a design problem and apply the process to create design solutions.

Lesson 12: Design Systems
In this lesson, we will look at one of the most important aspects of design management—a design system. By applying a design system, we are able to create a design language to communicate every aspect of our designs efficiently.

Lesson 13: Navigation Systems
In this lesson, we will begin to work with one of the essential interactive components of an interface—navigation. Here, we can define an information architecture, design a site map, and create a visual navigation for an interface.

Lesson 14: Content Strategy
In this lesson, we will explore the process of developing a content strategy for an interface. By exploring objectives, needs, and requirements, we can define a strategy to prioritize and organize content in a site or app.

Lesson 15: Layout
In this lesson, we'll cover layout essentials for the web, such as display formats and grid systems. Then, we will take a look at design strategies for responsive layouts and wireframes. Finally, we'll look at some tools in Adobe XD for creating layouts effectively.

Unit 4: UX Techniques

In the previous unit, you were able to take a deep dive into the organization of content on many levels, as well as the design process for putting all of those strategies together. Now, you'll start looking at some advanced concepts dealing with better understandings of interactivity, animation, and the practical application of those concepts in prototyping. You'll begin to craft our deliverable — which is the prototype and the specifications document — and pursue a better understanding of team communication and collaboration. With the culmination of all you've learned in this and previous units, you'll be capable of taking a design project from beginning to end and delivering usable and enjoyable experiences for custom user interfaces.

Lesson 16: Interaction
In this lesson, we'll take a closer look at interactivity in design, including user controls, navigational components, and user feedback. Then we'll look at how those items are used in a user interface.
Lesson 17: Prototyping
In this lesson, we will explore one of the fundamental aspects of UX design—prototyping. Here, we will look at the types of prototypes, find out how they are used in the design process, and learn how to turn static designs into prototypes in Adobe XD.

Lesson 18: Animation
In this lesson, we will find out about the complexities of animation in a user interface, and how it is used to improve the user experience. Using Adobe XD tools, we will create component animations and state-to-state transitions.

Lesson 19: Communication and Collaboration
Now that we’ve been able to create our design deliverable, we can now look at techniques to improve communication and collaboration within the UX design team.

Lesson 20: Documentation and Specifications
In this lesson, we can finalize our design deliverable by learning how to properly document the design and create a specification document to hand over to the developer.

Unit 5: UX Professionalism
At this point, you know how to take a UX project from start to finish. You can take a problem, understand it, ideate solutions for it, and develop creative strategies to implement those ideas into a UX deliverable to hand over to production. You have what it takes to deliver useful, usable, and enjoyable experiences. Now, you must show the world what you can do to take the next step in being a UX design professional and create a UX portfolio. In this unit, you’ll explore the theories for portfolio development, define methods for displaying UX work to tell a story, and analyze strategies for building your portfolio with or beyond student work in this course. Finally, you’ll look at ways to increase your opportunities when taking the next step in your career — employment. By the end of this unit, you’ll be a certified UX designer ready to begin your new career in an exciting, growing, and creative field.

Lesson 21: Portfolio Development
In this lesson, you’ll turn to one of the most important aspects of becoming a UX professional — a portfolio. Here, you’ll review tools, techniques, and tips to help develop a UX design portfolio.

Lesson 22: Portfolio Presentation
In this lesson, we will focus on presenting an individual UX project by telling the story of design and showing the work in to allow potential employers to see your capabilities as a UX designer.

Lesson 23: Portfolio Projects
In this lesson, you’ll look at ways to grow and improve your portfolio — whether as a student or a professional. These options will give you a list of pathways to choose from while growing your body of work.

Lesson 24: Professional Development
In this final lesson, you’ll explore some of the professional development aspects of pursuing a career as a UX designer, including advice for resumes, job searching, and interviews, as well as setting career goals for yourself. After this lesson, you’ll be well on your way to becoming a professional UX designer.

The User Experience Design course is 400 hours, which is divided into 5 units.
Full Payment Plan — $1499  Monthly Payment Plan — $1799
WEDDING PLANNER

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This online Wedding Planning course is perfect for the aspiring wedding planner. It is certified by the Association of Bridal Consultants, the world’s largest professional wedding planning organization. Learn how to turn your love of weddings into a lucrative career. From planning to execution, professional wedding planners will show you how to work with clients of all kinds, answer their questions, and meet their needs at every step of the process. Plus, you’ll gain the business skills you need to find and sign clients, price your work, market your talents and grow your business.

During the course, you’ll complete a Virtual Internship, a series of projects designed to help you grow by putting your skills to the test. You’ll work with a professional wedding planner, your teacher and mentor who is there to review your work and help you improve.

Course Objectives
- Turn your love for weddings into a career as a professional wedding planner.
- Demonstrate skills on how to work with different kinds of clients, meet their needs and answer their questions.
- Discuss how to work with vendors, photographers and caterers.
- Succeed at planning a perfect day for clients.
- Discuss wedding attire, floral, decor, photography, and transportation recommendations.
- Indicate business skills needed to find and sign clients, price their work, and help him or her improve.
- Demonstrate skills in how to manage client expectations and emotions that come with the wedding planning.
- Show how rituals, traditions, and customs can be combined to create a special ceremony.

COURSE OUTLINE

Unit 1: Getting Started

Lesson 1.1: The Basics
You’ll begin with a review of all the basic wedding planning terminology you should be growing familiar with as you get started. You’ll then discuss the basic motivations couples have for hiring a wedding planner and finish with a review of the services you’re providing and tools you’ll need to do so.

Lesson 1.2: History of Fashion
Journey through the historic trajectory of fashion development and stylistic changes across the globe. From the Golden Age of French Fashion to 1960s youth culture designers, this section provides an all-encompassing look at how style has changed and grown throughout history.

Lesson 1.2: Virtual Job Shadowing
Begin virtually following a New York-based wedding and event planner as she plans the wedding of Megan and Jason, a young couple very much in love. From a morning at her office to an afternoon of networking, you’ll journey through a day in the life of a real professional wedding planner.
Lesson 1.3: First Steps
We walk you through the typical trajectory of the first planning session you’ll host with a new client. From hearing the couple’s engagement story to discussing the initial basics of budget, we teach you the right questions you’ll need to ask to move the project in an effective direction from the very beginning.

Lesson 1.4: Budgets and Vendors
We discuss the most tasteful and professional ways to discuss budget with your clients in an effort to maintain positivity in the planning process without sacrificing practicality. From there, learn how budget contributes to your choice of vendors, mastering the most effective planning techniques for booking the best on a budget.

Unit 2: Ceremony and Dress

Lesson 2.1: Ritual and Custom
In order to serve your clientele, you must have some familiarity with wedding traditions from various cultures. Even if you work primarily with people of one culture, the nature of modern love is global, and this lesson will familiarize you with a wide array of diverse wedding customs and traditions.

Lesson 2.2: With This Ring, I Thee Wed
Dive into the specifics of planning for the perfect ceremony. We discuss a variety of religious ceremonies you may find yourself preparing for as well as same-sex, secular, military and second-marriage ceremonies. You’ll become familiar with the proper customs and etiquettes involved in the planning of a vast array of client-wedding situations you may come across in your career.

Lesson 2.3: Dressing the Part
We focus our attention on clothing by looking at how to select bridal gown and tuxedo rental vendors. You’ll discuss how to assist your clients as they choose their wedding day outfits and accessories. Learn how to make suggestions for the attire of the wedding party, the parents of the bride and groom, and even the guests.

Unit 3: The Reception

Lesson 3.1: Celebration to Follow
Determine the logistics and details you’ll need to master the perfect post-ceremony receptions, regardless of the happy couple’s vision. From receptions at home to parties on the beach, learn how to develop the skills needed to effectively execute the party of the couple’s dreams, whatever that might specifically mean to them.

Lesson 3.2: Eat, Drink, and Be Married
Develop working relationships with caterers in your area that you can rely on to provide delicious food and gracious service. Become familiar with all the common dynamics of the food and beverage industry so you know the right questions to ask when the time comes.

Lesson 3.3: Strike Up the Band
Dissect the process of vetting and hiring musicians and DJs. It’s imperative that you understand these business practices because your clients will be counting on your recommendations and advice.
Unit 4: Décor, Photography and Transportation

Lesson 4.1: Atmosphere Is Everything
You'll discuss the style, look, feel and theme of the wedding ceremony and reception. This will be informed by your prior decisions about the attire, food and music. You'll then turn our attention to floral arrangements.

Lesson 4.2: Capturing Memories
We help you understand the process of helping your clients determine the best way to capture their wedding memories. Discern the best questions to ask when finding and interviewing a photographer or videographer, how to produce a practical contract and how to schedule all the pictures requested by your clients.

Lesson 4.3 Getting There and Getting Away
Learn the correct methods to incorporate unique transportation into the wedding festivities in an effort to make the day special for both the couple and their guests. From limousines to hot air balloons, we review a number of common (and uncommon) options, while helping you learn all the right questions to ask as you plan.

Unit 5: Travel, Parties and Gifts

Lesson 5.1: The Honeymoon
Prepare to help clients with any travel-related questions they may ask you regarding their honeymoon. While most wedding planners don't book travel arrangements, you will be expected to have some general knowledge, which we will review in this lesson.

Lesson 5.2: All the Pretty Parties
We discuss the many smaller parties that often take place before and after the main event — engagement parties, bridal showers, bachelor parties, bachelorette parties, bridal luncheons, rehearsal dinners and after parties. Although not all wedding planners are involved in each of these events, this lesson prepares you with the knowledge and know-how to contribute in any way the couple requests your services.

Lesson 5.3: Tied with a Bow
We teach you the most tasteful and professional ways to offer gentle guidance about the gift subject so that no one feels burdened or put out. From planning a registry to helping the couple choose appropriate gifts for their wedding party, this is one area where a wedding planner can be of great assistance.

Lesson 5.4: Planning a Wedding from Start to Finish
Check out an interview with New York City wedding planner, Katie Berger, as she walks you through the full, comprehensive experience of planning a wedding. Learn how she works with couples to set a date, develop a timeline, set priorities, coordinate vendors and execute the perfect day with professionalism and ease.

Unit 6: Business Strategies

Lesson 6.1: Starting Your Own Business
We help you develop a clear understanding of what starting a business is like. From estimating a typical start-up cost to planning a business checklist, we provide you with the knowledge needed if starting your own wedding planning firm is what you hope to do after graduating from NYIAD.
Lesson 6.2: Marketing Your Services
We teach you the best methods of marketing and selling your talents to potential clients near you. From understanding your customer demographic to designing and printing your own ads, we help you conceptualize a marketing strategy that best suits your goals and career ambitions.

Lesson 6.3: Your Wedding Planning Tool Belt
We wrap up by sharing some additional options for how to turn your new skill set into a viable, money-making career. We also leave you with some special tools on how to beat wedding stress and handle difficult situations.

The Wedding Planning course is 270 hours divided into 6 units.
Full Payment Plan — $899  Monthly Payment Plan — $1199
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