

CREATIVE AND SOCIAL DESIGN MINOR

VART 2099	Ethics in Architecture and Design	4
VART 3030	Art, Design, and Politics	4

Overview

The creative and social design minor invites students to explore the intersection of artistic practice, community engagement, and social justice. Rooted in both theatre and visual arts, the minor foregrounds embodied, image-based, and performative modes of expression that respond to real-world issues. It provides students with tools to become ethically grounded cultural workers, artists who are collaborators, civic participants, and advocates for change.

This interdisciplinary minor is ideal for students interested in public-facing creative work that interrogates systems of power, amplifies marginalized voices, and uses storytelling as a tool for transformation.

Requirements

The minor requires completion of six (6) courses, as follows:

Course	Title	Credits
THEA 1100	Invitation to Theatre	3
VART 1135	Visual Thinking	3
VART 1111	Intro to Art & Engagement: Protest, Participation, the Public and other Performance Practices	4
THEA 3520	Producing through a Social Justice Lens	4
THEA 4050	Performance, Social Justice, and Human Rights: Foundations	4
One Elective ¹		3 to 4

¹ See the list below for courses that may count as electives toward the minor. Other Visual Arts courses may also count, with the minor director's approval.

Creative and Social Design electives

Courses in this group have the CASD attribute.

Course	Title	Credits
AFAM 3033	Women in Hip-Hop	4
AFAM 3133	Performance African Diaspora	4
AFAM 3634	Film and the African American	4
ENGL 4145	Dramaturgy	4
ENGL 4148	Medieval Drama in Performance	4
PHIL 3701	Human Rights Theories: Foundations and History	4
PHIL 3712	Global Environment and Justice	4
PHIL 4409	Environmental Ethics	4
THEA 2230	Costume Design I	3
THEA 2805	Stage Management I	3
THEA 3362	Lighting Design I	3
THEA 3420	Sound Design I	3
THEA 3985	Set Design I	3

Availability

The minor in creative and social design is available to students in Fordham College at Rose Hill and Fordham College at Lincoln Center.