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Dedication:

To all high school students-

Imagine . . .

what
can
be.
There can be no mental development without interest.

Joy is the normal healthy spur for the élan vital.

The habit of active thought, with freshness, can only be generated by adequate freedom.

The discipline, when it comes, should satisfy a natural craving for the wisdom which adds value to bare experience.

-Alfred North Whitehead
Preface:

The success of this thesis is due in part to the many people who helped me along the way. I would especially like to express my appreciation to my friends and family who supported my efforts and encouraged me to go on.

I would like to thank my committee members Professor R. Roger Remington, Dr. Richard Zakia, and Professor David Abbott for their guidance, support, and inspiration throughout the investigative process of my thesis experience. My appreciation extends to the high school guidance counselors, teachers, and students who showed me their needs, wants, and concerns.

I am grateful to Ms. Dorothy Brown and Ms. Ellen Dallimore for their loving generosity and thoughtful contributions throughout my college education at RIT.

My parents, Al & Connie Plouffe, and fiancé, Bill Belair, receive my utmost thanks for always believing in me and in helping me to become a strong and prevailing woman. You've been my support, my strength, and my backbone.
During the Winter quarter of my first year of graduate school at RIT, I took a class taught by Dr. Zakia. The class was called Teaching Photography, but Dr. Zakia instructed the class to meet our individual needs and interests. He stimulated my desires to becoming a teacher in the field of graphic design.

On January 15, 1992, I sat down with Dr. Zakia and discussed my thoughts about my thesis topic. I was interested in the Gestalt Perceptual Concepts and how they applied to learning and synesthesia and how all the senses are connected. He suggested that I could start researching this by critiquing graphic design books. How could the books be visually improved by putting the learning principles before the design concepts.

On January 22, 1992, Dr. Zakia supplied me with chapter 8 out of the book Theories of Learning. He also gave me the "RIT Instructional Resources Workshop" for review (Appendix 1). After reading these I knew I wanted to focus my thesis on the teaching aspect of graphic design.

On January 27, 1992, I approached Professor Deborah Beardslee with my idea (Appendix 2). She provided me with more information and another direction. She wanted me to research the material and see what had already been done and what new information could be presented in a thesis.

February 4, 1992, I met with Professor Remington. I presented him with my current ideas and he had some more comments to add (Appendix 3). He told me not to get too focused in the early stages. He also reminded me that the point-of-view needs to be from the graphic design program. He also provided me with some names of books that I should read.

From May 18 to June 11, 1992, I spent my time traveling throughout Europe. I visited many graphic design firms from a small two person operation like Oddermott & Tissi, to a large international firm, such as Pentagram. I listened carefully to what they said and their advice. I also kept a journal in hopes that maybe I could use some of the information for my thesis. It wasn't until much later, after my application was well underway, did I realize that they were basically saying that it is the graphic designer's job to educate and inform the young people about graphic design.
Returning to RIT for my second year of graduate study, I met with my chief adviser Professor R. Roger Remington. I explained my thesis application ideas for further refinement and suggestions. He said that I was headed in a good direction but I should keep my ideas and thoughts general until I started my actual goals and objectives.

At this point, I recruited my thesis committee members. Professor Remington was previously assigned as my chief adviser. Dr. Zakia was selected for his vast knowledge in teaching, learning, and semiotics. Professor David Abbott was suggested by Professor Remington for his knowledge in Instructional Design and of students at a foundation level. During this time, I focused on the required thesis proposal for Professor Remington who was Acting as Special Assistant to the Dean for Graduate Affairs (Appendix 4a, 4b).

Following Professor Remington's advice, I wrote a general proposal to allow for application changes throughout the year. I then started to concentrate on the mission statement, goals, and objectives. The writing of my mission statement was to be the focus of my thesis and application. Once I had achieved an understanding of my mission statement I worked on my goals and objectives. With refinement after refinement, my committee helped me to travel in the right direction. I spent a good portion of fall quarter working out my mission statement, goals and objectives and developing a timeline (Appendix 5a, 5b).
Winter quarter became a research and development phase for my thesis work. I had quite a bit to do and not a lot of time to do it.

On December 3, 1992, there was a session on what research really means, how to document it, and how it takes you to the next step (Appendix 6). This session was very helpful in starting the quarter off and putting me on the right track.

Soon thereafter, on December 10, 1992, I had my first committee meeting. Professor Remington and Professor Abbott were in attendance. Dr. Zakia was unable to be there at this time. Professor Remington, Professor Abbott and I discussed in detail what information I needed to collect, who my audience was going to be, and what was needed that does not currently exist (Appendix 7). The committee gave me many directions to pursue; yet I still felt unfocused towards conceptualizing my application.

I started contacting high schools in the local Rochester area. I then met with guidance counselors and high school teachers. I discovered that many students go to the guidance office and look for information about specific careers. However, the guidance office normally just receives college catalogs. The pamphlets that they do receive are normally thrown away due to lack of storage or a proper place for display. When I asked specific questions about the career of graphic design, I got puzzled looks. That was one area that needed definition, with some insight on how students would pursue a career in that field. As stated in the Introduction, the graphic designer's I visited in Europe feel that it is the graphic designer's job to educate and inform the young people about graphic design. The schools are crying out for the appropriate information they need to pass on to their students.

When I asked what it was that they specifically wanted, many replied a reference guide for high school students would be helpful. It would be a bound book-like guide that would explain the different opportunities available in graphic design; would give the educational requirements needed and would provide a clear definition. Some people wanted clarification of terminology; i.e., graphic design verses graphic arts and interior design verses interior decorating. The other things requested was that the booklet be relatively thin, not have a lot of detail, easy to read and show examples.

With the above information, I started to develop an application. It seemed obvious to me that a booklet was going to be the main focus. That
was basically what people requested. Questions came about, such as, how were the students going to know that there was a booklet sitting in the guidance office for their use? That was when I decided on doing a poster in conjunction with the booklet.

In my meeting with Professor Remington on January 21, 1993, he suggested that maybe there needs to be some kind of an identity mark for graphic design. The identity would need to be clear, work in black and white as well as in color and be striking to look at.

At this point, I started to brainstorm and come up with some ideas (Appendix 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e). These ideas were basic grids and possibly what the page of the booklet should look like. However, these ideas led me nowhere. I had to take a step back and decide what was going into the booklet and write the copy. I developed a contents page that I thought would be a good outline to follow (Appendix 9).

It was on March 9, 1993, when I met with Dr. Zakia. He helped me become focused allowing me to concentrate on the important issues. Because I was having difficulty with some of the topics I placed in my outline, he suggested that I strike them from the booklet all together. We went back to what the guidance counselors and teachers said that they had wanted and developed a new outline based on my research and what I had done up to this point. I now had a better grasp of the situation and it was a more efficient way of handling the material.

I put together a sample booklet with some pages that included the contents, preface, graphic designers and what they do (Appendix 10a). I had collected much of my imagery and was putting that to the test as well. Professor Remington suggested that since grids are a major factor in graphic design that I should print it and use it as part of my design. I did several examples of the booklet with a different type of design (Appendix 10b). Bars have been introduced to replace the redundancy of the “logo” and a bar has been placed vertically along the side. This was for convenience if the booklet was ever in a filing cabinet.

By this point, my identity had taken on many different shapes and sizes. Since the grids were to be printed on the page and the design was geometric, I continued that line of thinking into the identity. The identity started out with a circle and a rectangle (Appendix 11a). As the identity evolved the rectangle became a square
and a triangle was added (Appendix 11b, 11c). The basic Bauhaus philosophy was being carried out in the design of the graphic design identity. Later color was added (Appendix 11f). The blue, yellow, and magenta were chosen. These colors were mixed and tested until the final colors of the blue, gold and a dark magenta were chosen (Appendix 11g).

When school began again for the spring quarter Dr. Zakia and Professor Remington were concerned that I would not be able to complete my booklet and poster in time for the first thesis show. I spoke with Professor Philip Bornarth, Special Assistant to the Dean for Graduate Affairs, and he was able to move me to the second thesis show. This gave me the appropriate time I needed to finish my application for the show.
Application:

The most important factor of my thesis during the spring quarter was producing the application which consisted of writing and designing the booklet and designing a poster. I also had to design my gallery space for the show.

The class was given a floor plan of the gallery and at one of our meetings we decided where everyone would hang their work. (Appendix 12a) I choose an “L” shaped area to present my statement, poster, and booklet. I did preliminary sketches of how the display would look (Appendix 12b). The class also had a thesis statement form and insurance forms to complete (Appendix 12c). Posters and invitations were designed for the thesis shows and we each were given a small square to put anything we wanted to go in it (Appendix 12d, 12e).

The night that every MFA graduate student longs for arrived. My thesis reception occurred at seven o’clock in the evening on April 9, 1993. There was a very large number of attendees. The audience seemed enthusiastic and interested in my thesis application. Many people were curious about the visuals I had selected for the booklet and how the logo was designed. My committee members and classmates were present with their approval and support. I was very proud of all my hard work and achievements. Overall, the evening was a wonderful experience.

The thesis show consisted of a statement, a poster, and a booklet. The statement indicates the significance of the poster and booklet (Appendix 13). It briefly describes the research that I did, pointing out who the audience is - the high school students. The research led me to the application that was shown and also why and how to use it.

The poster is to be hung in a high school hallway, classroom, and/or guidance office (Appendix 14). The poster has the graphic design identity mark to tie it to the booklet. The poster tells the students where to obtain more information about graphic design and could start them thinking about other design related fields. Few high school students know about the career of graphic design or what a graphic designer does. This is the first step to help them find answers to their questions.

The booklet is appropriately named Graphic Design Career Information (Appendix 15). The cover has the same appearance as the poster for easy identification. The contents clearly shows
what the booklet has to offer (Appendix 15). The preface is one way to get the student excited about graphic design (Appendix 15). It provides basic information and also has a meaningful quote by Alfred North Whitehead. This quote was also used on the statement identification page in the thesis show (Appendix 16). It provides inspiration to those who read it.

When the page is turned, the student is visually attracted (Appendix 15). There is a short paragraph that defines graphic design. There are also examples that best illustrate graphic design. The images were carefully selected. For example, the poster “Giselle” by Armin Hofmann was chosen not only for the design. This poster also hangs in Hofmann’s studio in his home in Lucern, Switzerland. This poster with a painting by Picasso were the only items on Hofmann’s walls.

The following spread introduces the reader to some of the great graphic designers (Appendix 15). The designers include people from all over the world, designers who are deceased and those who are still designing, as well as, women and men. It shows the student that no matter who they are or where they come from, they can succeed.

Now that the student is informed about graphic design the next two pages show where there are design firms and tells about employment opportunities (Appendix 15). A few examples of local, national, and international design firms are given. It also tells about the variety of other design related fields a graphic designer may have the opportunity to work with during their career.

Knowing about graphic design is all well and good, but how does a high school student go about becoming one? On this spread it tells a high school student how to achieve that goal. The Getting Started and the More Information page assists the teacher and guidance counselor in helping the student acquire more information about graphic design (Appendix 15). It gives addresses, phone numbers, and books that may be of interest. The booklet has been used as the next step in finding out more about a career in graphic design.

The rest of the book list the works cited, credits, the important glossary that defines the graphic design terminology used in the booklet and tells about me (Appendix 15). If a high school student sees my picture and reads about my education and work experiences, a graphic
design career may seem more plausible.

As recently stated, the graphic design identity mark was used to tie the booklet and the poster together. The identity can stand on its own or be included with a design. Buttons with the identity mark were handed out at the thesis reception (Appendix 17). The identity could also be adopted by the American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) to be used on their brochures and information material.

The application is an excellent resource for high school students, guidance counselors, teachers, and those who would like a basic understanding of graphic design. My research has shown that there is a derth of information like this for the high school students to learn about the design fields. Information regarding portfolios, listing of colleges and design firms are a way to provide high school students and guidance counselors with the material that they require to make educated, knowledgeable decisions about their future.
The evaluation was to develop an overall picture of how well the application was designed to match the purpose for which it was intended. On October 20, 1992, Dr. Charles M. Plummer, Director, Simulation System Laboratory, came to speak to the class regarding evaluation and how to go about asking the right questions.

We did a sample problem evaluation on a project and we also formulated evaluation questions (Appendix 18a). This process was later used when developing a format to do the evaluation for my application (Appendix 18b).

During the time my application was in the gallery, I set out clip boards and pens with my evaluation question form. Later, I traveled to the high schools where I did my research to see if the application met their needs. A total of 231 questions were answered and many, many comments were written.

The finding showed that of the 231 answered questions, 94 responded with a rating of 1 (excellent); 73 responded with a rating of 2; 37 responded with a rating of 3; 16 responded with a rating of 4; and 11 responded with a rating of 5 (inadequate). (Appendix 18c) More than half of the comments were positive. Most of the other comments were suggestions for improvement (Appendix 18d). Some of the comments simply said ‘Good job’, ‘Enjoled reading the booklet’ and ‘very effective’. Other remarks suggested making the colors more vibrant, adding examples of graphic design on the poster and using less text with more visuals. Many of the comments from the high school guidance counselors and teachers indicated that they thought the application would be a great resource for them as well as for the students.

My display showed the final product with the statement being the only element that described the process. I thought it was important to let my work stand on its own. Therefore, I put my thesis application to the test and evaluation. When I enter the world of graphic design I will not have the opportunity to explain my work or show the process that led me to the final product. Not to my surprise, the booklet did very well, as did the identity. Overall, many people felt that the poster didn’t have enough impact for a high school student. Suggestions were made to add another graphic with the identity mark. I was proud to see that my application was clearly understood and effective.
Concluding: 

My graduate thesis has been a very fulfilling and rewarding experience. Designers, educators, and people as a whole need to have an awareness and appreciation for young people’s future and knowledge. Inviting high school students to learn more about the graphic design world, doors of creativity can be opened.

I can only anticipate that my verbal and visual efforts to explain graphic design will assist students and designers in their artistic pursuits. I will continue this research, documentation, and improve upon the application throughout my professional career. Through my work, I hope to encourage high school students to be productive and excited about a rewarding future in graphic design. Hopefully this will make our communities a better place to live and learn.

This investigation, has made me recognize the importance of informing students about different careers. By pursuing this investigation, I learned the importance of knowing your audience so that graphic design communication can be effective. Counselors and the follow-up evaluation were also helpful in this respect. This thesis provides a starting point from which students may continue to investigate the field of graphic design. By embracing young people, we embrace our future.
Appendix:
SOME IMPORTANT CONCEPTS IN REVIEW

TEACHING

Teaching can be considered the process of taking a learner through a series of carefully arranged sequences, each more sophisticated than the last, until the student has learned. Each step expands the learner's ability to integrate new perceptions into previous perceptions, apply his learnings, and use them to produce viable and general solutions.

LEARNING

Learning is acquiring some new information, some new understanding, or a new way of responding. It occurs at various levels of understanding (literal, interpretive or application) and under a variance of emotional or affective conditions.

Certain conditions are necessary for learning to occur:

1. There must be a felt need for the learning.
2. There must be a reward for fulfilling the need.
3. There must be some active involvement.
4. The stimulus must be organized.
5. There must be a feedback system to determine if learning has occurred.

CONTENT

Content is the compendium of information which comprises the learning material for a particular course. The information may consist of a related body of facts, laws, theories and generalizations. It is in short a rhetoric of conclusions to be transferred to the student.

Inherent in any content is a cluster of diverse procedures which surround the acquisition and utilization of the content. These procedures are sometimes called process.

There are a variety of processes through which knowledge is created. There are also processes for utilizing knowledge and for communicating it. Processes are involved in arriving at decisions, in evaluating consequences and in accommodating new insights.

ENVIRONMENT

The design of the learning situation that has an interaction upon the values, attitudes, skills and behaviors of the learner. Some elements of the environment include physical structure; social context; psychological structure; stimuli for learning.
The teacher as shaman: Here the teacher's orientation is narcissistic. The public manner does not matter; this type of teacher is not necessarily vain or exhibitionistic; he may in fact appear to be withdrawn, diffident, even humble. Essentially however he keeps the audience's attention focused on himself. He invites us to observe the personality in its encounter with the subject matter. . . When this orientation is combined with unusual gifts, we have a charismatic teacher, one of those outstanding and memorable personalities who seem more than life-size. The charismatic teacher is marked by power, energy and commitment. . . In some cases the narcissistic teacher's impression on us is strong but transient; he moves us, but the spell does not survive the moment. We admire him as we admire a great performer . . .

The teacher as priest: The priestly healer claims his power not through personal endowment, but through his office: he is the agent of an omnipotent authority. Do we have a parallel to this in teaching? I would say it is the teacher who stresses not his personal virtues, but his membership in a powerful or admirable collectivity. . . . The narcissistic teacher to some degree stands apart from his discipline and seems to say: "I am valuable in myself." The priestly teacher says: "I am valuable for what I belong to. I represent and personify a collective identity." . . . One of the teacher's tasks is to help the student absorb the sense of the collective past and accept the common blueprint for the future. . . . One of the distinctive features of this mode of teaching is that both teacher and student may share a common model or group of models, either exalted contemporaries or Great Ancestors. . . . The educational process is in some degree an extended rite of passage; the teacher's role is to prepare the student for the trials he will endure, and to administer the tests that will initiate him.

The teacher as mystic healer: The mystic healer finds the source of illness in the patient's personality. He rids his patient of disease by helping him to correct an inner flaw or to realize a hidden strength. The analogy here—perhaps a remote one—is to the teacher I will term altruistic. He concentrates neither on himself, nor the subject-matter, nor the discipline, but on the student, saying: "I will help you become what you are." We may recall Michelangelo's approach to sculpture: looking at the raw block of marble, he tried to uncover the statue within it. So does the altruistic teacher regard his unformed student; this type of teacher keeps his own achievement and personality secondary; he works to help the student find what is best and most essential within himself. . . . [This] is a model-less approach to teaching; the teacher points neither to himself nor to some immediately visible figure, but chooses to work with his students' potential and toward an intrinsically abstract or remote ideal. . . . [This] mode of teaching demands great acumen, great sensitivity—the ability to vary one's attack according to the phase of teaching and to the student—now lenient, now stern, now encouraging, now critical.

STYLES OF TEACHING II
(Mann's Model)*

_The teacher as expert:_ This aspect of the teacher role conjures up the disparity between teacher and student with respect to the knowledge, experience, and wisdom they can apply to the subject matter of the course. The teacher is the expert, at least within certain defined areas of knowledge. His presumed expertise underlies both his right to be there and the students' interest in taking the course.

_The teacher as formal authority:_ Viewed from the perspective of the larger social structure within which the college classroom is located, the teacher is an agent not only of instruction but also of control and evaluation. He is responsible to a group of administrators and external agents who expect him to insure uniformity of standards and a justifiable evaluation system based on merit when he presents his set of grades at the end of the course.

_The teacher as socializing agent:_ ... the students' goals typically reach far beyond a particular classroom or course. The teacher is usually a member of the community of scholars, accredited by a professional or academic discipline, and he is also a member of an institution that may be highly relevant to a student's occupational aspirations. The teacher resembles in some sense a gatekeeper to a vocational world. He serves as a representative of his field, and especially of the values, assumptions, and style of intellectual life that characterize his discipline. Frequently, it is he who does not pass a student to the next plateau or screening process, or he may do so with varying degrees of support and pleasure.

_The teacher as facilitator:_ There are times in the teacher-student relationship when the teacher seems much less absorbed with his own expertise, his power, and his field than with the aspirations of the students. ... By not assuming that he can specify what skills or goals they bring with them, he creates for himself the complex task of determining what individual students have come to do, what they seem able to do already, and what they might need help in doing better. ... From this it follows that the typical activities of the teacher as facilitator may entail far more listening and questioning than lecturing and assigning.

_The teacher as ego ideal:_ [Students] ... use their teacher in the continuous process of formulating and approaching their ideals. It may only be some of the students some of the time, and the idealization may be limited to certain aspects of the teacher’s total performance, but this process is an important part of the college classroom.

_The teacher as person:_ The teacher as a person aims at engaging students in a mutually validating relationship. Ideally, both the student and teacher feel sufficient trust and freedom to share their ideas and personal reactions not only to the course material, but also to matters that may fall outside the usual definition of what is relevant in a classroom.³

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Didactic modes: The teaching styles we classify under the didactic modes are designed to achieve objectives that are generally clear and relatively easy to formulate. These objectives include the mastery of a definite body of information or the acquisition of specific motor-kinetic skills or specific mathematical or verbal skills (in English as well as in other languages). The didactic modes thus stress either cognitive knowledge acquired primarily by memorization, or mastery of skills acquired primarily by repetition and practice.

Evocative modes: The basic difference between the didactic modes and the evocative modes is the method used in the learning process: the major means employed in the evocative modes are inquiry and discovery.4

The compliant students: [These students fit] perhaps better than any other the picture of the typical “good student” in the traditional classroom. Its members... seemed quite contented with their classes, their teachers, and themselves. They were consistently task-oriented, only rarely experiencing any of the kinds of emotions that might interfere with the pursuit of that task. Most of all, they took part in no rebellion and seemed to feel no inclination to do so... They work because their parents expect them to... [and] because the teacher will grade them... They tended to do the work they were supposed to do in the course, no more and no less, and they achieved at about the level one would expect given ability... [A] kind of class that may upset them is one in which the teacher has, in their opinion, relinquished too much control... The main concern of this group seems to be understanding the material...

The anxious dependent students:... this is a large cluster, and one which forms an important part of every teacher’s experience with his students. Its members are somewhat angry on the inside, but mostly frightened on the outside, very dependent on the teacher for knowledge and support, and very anxious about being evaluated. Their anxiety keeps most of them from doing anything we might call work in the classroom... One of the most pervasive issues in this group is the members’ feeling of intellectual incompetence... This feeling of incompetence, together in many cases with consistent external pressures, especially from parents, combine to make these students tremendously concerned about grades...

The discouraged workers: The members of this cluster tend to say often that they are dissatisfied with themselves... When things go wrong for these people, they tend to blame themselves and not turn much hostility on other people...

The independents: They are significantly older than the other students... An important sub-group of them is also especially intelligent... They generally seem quite confident of themselves and are not often threatened by the teacher, the work, or the other students. They remain relatively independent while other students are confused or anxious or angry, looking at the material relatively objectively and working with it in creative ways... While they tend to favor collegial relationships with the teacher, where teacher and student work together on intellectual tasks, they also want to keep teacher and student roles clearly distinct...

The heroes: [For these students], all of whom are males, classwork is inextricably tied to rebellion. Both are manifestations of a deep involvement with the teacher and the course work... [which] has for them certain implications which tend to lead them not only to very productive and creative work, but also, in the same class, to extreme hostility and resentment... The feelings of superiority that are an important part of the identity of these students are accompanied by expressions of contempt for ordinary or common people represented by most of their classmates... The fear of becoming too close to others and the need to withdraw even while approaching, in combination with mistrust of authorities and the actual unwillingness of... [some] teachers to maintain purely personal and collegial relationships without exercise of their formal authority, leads these students to rebel in the classroom...
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Level)

Literal
Level

Interpretive
Level

Application
Level

(Bloom's

Comprehension,
Translation,
Analysis and Synthesis)

(Bloom's

Evaluation
Level)

Short
Term
Memory

Long
Term
Memory

Verification and Reinforcement
The snipers: . . . the noninvolvement of this cluster seems to be related to a low level of self-esteem and general pessimism about the possibility of fruitful relationships with authority figures. The combination of low investment and high rebellion leads to a kind of sniping at the teacher from a distance. . . . There are many understandable reasons why this group could make teachers angry. They can be very hostile, but they rarely move toward the teacher, and they are elusive when the teacher wants to confront them directly on an issue. . . .

The attention seekers: [These students] tend to have a predominantly social rather than intellectual orientation. They are very concerned with their relationship with the teacher and other class members, especially in the sense of wanting to please them. One way in which they do this is by trying to seem attractive by frequently talking, showing off, bragging, and joking. . . . [Their] interest in people and their need to be accepted by people tends to overshadow their interest in the more cognitive aspects of work and inhibits their intellectual development. . . . It is very important to these students that the teacher be nurturant for they are sometimes quite dependent on him. They seem to feel somewhat uncomfortable if the teacher shows signs of leaving them to their own intellectual devices. . . .

The silent students: [These students] are characterized less by what they do in the classroom than by what they do not do. They do not participate verbally. . . . The predominant quality, whether male or female, is their tremendous sense of helplessness and vulnerability in relation to the teacher. . . . The males in this cluster are often angry and defensive and take a certain sort of malicious pride in having maintained their autonomy in a situation in which the teacher was clearly out to overwhelm them. . . . The females present themselves as "the good little girl who is seen but not heard."
Competitive: This response style is exhibited by the student who learns material in order to perform better than others in the class. He feels he must compete with other students in the class for the rewards of the classroom, such as grades or teacher's attention. He views the classroom as a win-lose situation, where he must always win.

Collaborative: This style is typical of the student who feels he can learn the most by sharing his ideas and talents. He cooperates with teachers and peers and likes to work with others. He sees the classroom as a place for social interaction as well as content learning.

Avoidant: This response style is typical of a student who is not interested in learning course content in the traditional classroom. He does not participate with students and teachers in the classroom. He is uninterested or overwhelmed by what goes on in classes.

Participant: This style is characteristic of the student who wants to learn course content and likes to go to class. He takes responsibility for getting the most out of class and participates with others when told to do so. He feels that he should take part in as much of the class related activity as possible, but he does little that is not part of the course outline.

Dependent: This style is characteristic of the student who shows little intellectual curiosity and who learns only what is required. He sees teacher and peers as sources of structure and support. He looks to authority figures for guidelines and wants to be told what to do.

Independent: This response style is characteristic of the student who likes to think for himself. He prefers to work on his own, but he will listen to the ideas of others in the classroom. He learns the content he feels is important and is confident in his learning abilities.

Cognitively oriented content: This kind of content is primarily related to the acquisition of new information or the reorganization of existing information. Cognitive content is usually conveyed by means of lecture, classroom discussion, reading, or various technological means such as television, audio-tutorial, and programmed texts. Cognitive acquisition is usually measured by means of objective tests or highly structured interviews.

Skills-oriented content: Courses with this content orientation are concerned with effective performance of specific tasks. Skills-oriented content is usually conveyed by means of lecturing, modeling, practice, and immediate feedback. The acquisition of these skills can be rather easily assessed by means of performance tests which measure speed, accuracy, endurance, and so forth.

Affectively oriented content: This content is related to an increased understanding of and, in some instances, control over the subjective aspects of one's personal life (such as emotions, attitudes, values, self-images, and fantasies). Affective content is usually conveyed by means of personal experiences that are either spontaneous, as in some field work, or planned, as in simulations and certain kinds of workshops. The acquisition of affective content is difficult to measure, though it is usually assessed through more or less subjective means, such as interviews, diaries, and essay examinations.
Teacher-oriented environments: classroom setting; seats facing toward the front; teacher located behind or beside a table or lecturn; seats may be permanently situated, with small arm tables.

Automated Environments: use of instructional technologies; audio-tutorial instruction; programmed instruction; computer-assisted instruction; educational television, and so forth.

Interaction-oriented environments: seminar settings; students and teacher face each other; circular arrangement of chairs or chairs located around table; informal setting; comfortable chairs; large, open, multi-use space in a collegiate setting.

Student-oriented environments: independent studies; contract learning; student works on his own in a college or university; student makes use of library, laboratory, museum, private room, lounge, and so forth.

Sheltered experience-oriented environments: creation of simulated experiences such as games, role plays, and instructional simulations; laboratory experiences; apprenticeships; practicum experiences; workshops.

Experience-oriented environments: field experiences; on-the-job experience; work-study programs; internships; academic credit for life experiences.
Content-centered teaching and learning: The primary task in this mode of teaching and learning is to cover the material of a course or discipline in a coherent and systematic manner. The content of various courses within a discipline is usually kept discrete, and the organization of the discipline is ordered in generally the same way in most colleges and universities. The teacher is viewed as expert, formal authority, or "priest"; the most compatible students are those who exhibit competitive or dependent learning styles. The goals of courses with this orientation are usually set by the demands of the material; evaluation is usually objective and performance is measured against the material. Lectures and formal discussions are the usual method of instruction. The content of these courses is primarily cognitively and/or skills oriented, and the environment will probably either be oriented toward the teacher as a source of information or will be automated.

Instructor-centered teaching and learning: In this mode of teaching and learning, attention is most often focused on the instructor, not primarily as a source of information, but as a model of the way one should approach a particular field or discipline. The best ways of understanding and handling the concepts of the course are demonstrated by the instructor's own behavior and personality. The teacher is usually viewed as a socializing agent or ego ideal; he is a "shaman" and performer; when particularly talented, he can be very charismatic. He may make dramatic use of the lecture format, while discussion sessions tend to be oriented toward him. Students who are highly dependent will rather non-critically embrace this mode; participant students will approve of this mode if the instructor appears to be competent; the discouraged worker may find this mode comfortable if the instructor pays some attention to him. Both the goals and standards of evaluation are usually set by the teacher, often in a subjective manner. The content of these courses, though often cognitively oriented, may have an important affective component. The environment may be either teacher- or interaction-oriented, with the focus in the latter case clearly on the teacher.

Student-centered teaching and learning: This kind of teaching and learning emphasizes the intellectual training and/or personal growth of the students. The teacher acts primarily as a facilitator and as a person in relationship to students who are collaborative or independent. This mode is also appropriate for the avoidant student if he gives the experience a chance. Rather heavy emphasis is often given in this mode to establishing learning contracts between teacher and student which enable them to define specific learning goals, resources, and means of evaluation which are uniquely tailored for each student. The teaching methods most frequently used are student run discussions, group discussions, role plays, simulations, field work, and independent study. The content here will be either cognitively or affective oriented (or both), and the environments may be interaction-oriented, student-oriented, sheltered experience-oriented, or experience-oriented.
1/15/92  Dr. Zakia
- talked about general thesis topic

1/22/92  Dr. Zakia
- given *Theories of Learning* book (Chapter 8)

IDEA

**Gestalt Concepts applied to learning**
- make visually powerful

**Synesthesia** - (reference: Aesthetic History of the Senses)
- all the senses are connected
- how the gestalt princ. affect the viewers senses

Critique Graphic Design Books
- how could they (visually) improve the books
- put the learning princ. before the design concepts

Try to think of something to build
not too get too focused too soon

- graphic design program needs to be from that pt. of view
  - graphic design product targeted at education and context

- go back to chart
  - broader vision
    - design theory \( \rightarrow \) upgrading (ed. materials)

Problem Statement - what is it you want to do
  - couple of TP

Specific & focused / yet broad

Another Interesting

Information Design

- Visually understandable
  - diagrams / charts

- theories \( \rightarrow \) then \( \rightarrow \) visually communicate then

- teach learning theories visually \( \rightarrow \) multiple theories

Cognitive Psy

- Howard Gardner see Deborah

Language of Vision - by Kepes (Roger)
Thesis Proposal for the Masters of Fine Arts Degree
College of Imaging Arts and Sciences
Rochester Institute of Technology

Title: Perceptual Codes in Graphic Design Education

Submitted by: Danielle Grace Plouffe
Date: 09/25/92

Thesis Committee:
Chief Advisor: Prof. R. Roger Remington
Associate Advisers: Dr. Richard Zakia
Mr. David Abbott

Departmental Approval:
Date:

Approval, Special Assistant to the Dean for Graduate Affairs:
Date:

Computer needs other than word processing:
Yes X NO

Explain need of equipment:
Possibly scanning and image making

Committee Approval:
Appendix 4b:
The purpose of my thesis is to investigate the relationship of perception (i.e., synesthesia) and the learning processes in graphic design. Through this exploration, I will collect research material and create an application targeted at graphic design teachers.
Thesis Project: Perceptual Codes in Graphic Design Education

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Documentation of Need: The art education in many high schools falls short on the terminology and the basics of graphic design. This study will research what the student is lacking at the foundation level. The book/manual will inform and guide a high school educator on how to better prepare students of the essentials.

Problem Statement: This project will be a book/manual that will be an aid and a reference to high school art educators and at the foundation level at a college. It will enable teachers to better prepare students in the field of graphic design.

Mission Statement: The project of perceptual codes in graphic design education is a way to guide a high school art educator through a course that will better inform art students about the field of graphic design. The design performance of the student will then be at an adequate foundation graphic design level for college.
Goals:

To develop a booklet on the terminology and basics of graphic design that will inform and serve as a reference guide to teachers.

Objectives:

Research the information such as, gestalt principles, perceptual codes, design history, terminology, learning behaviors, etc., needed to give students a better foundation in graphic design.

Processes and Strategies:

Research will be done by utilizing the library, resource people, and thesis committee.

To identify how the senses and atmosphere play an important part in the learning process of a student.

Describe the role of synesthesia in the learning process.

I will research how synesthesia and perception play an important role in learning.

To develop a graphic design terminology.

Given the terms needed by graphic designers define the word or phrases that contribute to the graphic design.

Research terminology used by graphic designers through interviews and studies.

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<td>To relate fine art and graphic design.</td>
<td>Given the research materials collected through interviews, museum and studio visits, and studies in Europe, show how fine art and graphic design relate to one another, influence one another, and differentiate from one another.</td>
<td>Use my Europe Journal and materials collected as a resource.</td>
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<td>To design a piece that will be mass produced.</td>
<td>Investigate printers and materials and get estimates to mass produce the product.</td>
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<td>To investigate type of materials to make the booklet and the cost: a. paper b. binding c. color vs. black and white d. die cuts</td>
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<td>To evaluate the product and modify accordingly.</td>
<td>Given the product, be able to evaluate the use of it through high school art educators.</td>
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<td>Put the product to use by having a high school art educator use the booklet and incorporate it into their class.</td>
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<td>Given the product, be able to identify through an interview, the point of view of the superintendent of schools and the administration contributing to the product.</td>
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Goals: 
Objectives: 
Processes and Strategies:

Set up appointments with administration of a high school to determine what the syllabus requires an art educator to teach.

After the evaluation, make the appropriate changes that would improve the product.

Develop an evaluation test for the teachers to fill out. This would be in accordance to the Chuck Plummer lecture on Oct. 22, 1992.

Questions:
Is the project managed effectively?
Is it designed to meet the teacher's needs?
Are the teachers able to use it?
Do the students acquire intended knowledge, skill, and attitude?
Does it meet aesthetic design criteria?
Does it work?

Measurement Procedures:
Observe performance
Analyze content
Analyze content in teacher's lesson plan
Test students and teachers
Interview
Design and administer a questionnaire

Given the research and study of the significance of perceptual codes, be able to identify the relationships to graphic design education.

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<td>I will study perceptual codes by researching and interviewing graphic design professionals.</td>
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Glossary of Terms:

behavior - 1. Manner of conduction oneself; demeanor; deportment. 2. The way a person, substance, machine, etc., acts under given circumstances. 3. The form of glandular and muscular activity characteristic of an individual in relation to internal or external stimuli, with special reference to emotional, linguistic, and other responses.

Code - 1. A systematized body of law. 2. Any system of principles or regulation. 3. A set of signals, characters, or symbols used in communication. 4. A set of symbols with arbitrary, prearranged meaning, as words, letters, or numerals, used for secrecy or brevity in transmitting messages. 5. A message in code.

education - 1. The act of educating; systematic development or training of the mind, capabilities, or character through instruction or study. 2. Acquisition of knowledge or skills; especially, formal schooling in an institution of learning. 3. Knowledge, skills, or cultivation acquired through instruction or study. 4. The study of teaching methods and problems, the learning process, and other matters related to the classroom.

evaluate - To find or determine the amount, worth, etc., of; appraise.

fine arts - Those arts considered purely esthetic or expressive, including painting, drawing, sculpture, and architecture, and sometimes including literature, music, drama, and the dance.

foundation - 1. The act of founding or establishing. 2. The state of being founded or established. That on which anything is founded; basis.

graphic arts - 1. Those visual arts involving the use of lines or strokes on a flat surface, as painting, drawing, engraving, etc. 2. In recent usage, those arts that involve impressions as in printing, etching, wood engraving, lithography, etc.

learn - 1. To acquire knowledge of or skill in by study, instruction, practice, etc. 2. To find out; become aware of: to learn the facts. 3. To commit to memory; memorize. 4. To acquire by experience or example: to learn bad habits. 5. To gain knowledge or acquire skill. 6. To become informed; know.
Glossary of Terms:

**perceive** - 1. To become aware of (something) through the senses; see, hear, feel, that, or smell.  
2. To come to understand; apprehend with the mind.

**process** - 1. A course or method of operations in the production of something.  
2. A series of continuous actions that bring out a particular result, end, or condition.  
3. A forward movement; progressive or continuous proceeding; passage; advance; course.

**synesthesia** - sensation produced at a point other than, or remote from, the point of stimulation, as a color from hearing a certain sound; a secondary sensation.

**Time Line:**

- **9/25/92** - Thesis Proposal Due
- **9/29/92** - Begin Outline
- **10/06/92** - Outline (add goals and objectives)
- **10/13/92** - Outline (add processes and strategies/work on timeline)
- **10/20/92** - Outline (revise)
- **10/27/92** - Outline (add bibliography and glossary/work on evaluation)
- **11/03/92** - Outline (revise)
- **11/11/92** - Last Class
- **11/19/92** - Vacation
- **11/21/92** - Research Europe (fine art vs. graphic design)
- **12/01/92** - Classes Start
- **12/01/92** - Start Research
- **12/09/92** - Committee Meeting?
- **12/10/92** - Revisions
- **12/20/92** - Vacation
- **01/05/93** - Set up committee meeting
- **01/06/93** - Preliminary Book
- **01/20/93** - Committee Meeting?
- **01/21/93** - Revisions
- **01/26/93** - Test Evaluation #1
- **02/01/93** - Rework Design
- **02/15/93** - Committee Meeting?
- **02/15/93** - Rewrite copy and reorganize
- **02/22/93** - Last Day of Classes
- **03/09/93** - Classes Begin
- **03/09/93** - Finalize details
- **03/15/93** - Hang work in Gallery
- **03/19/93** - Opening Night for Thesis Show
- **03/20/93** - Set up committee meeting (report)
- **03/31/93** - Work comes down from gallery
- **04/12/93** - Committee Meeting?
- **04/15/93** - Make any final changes
- **05/03/93** - Have thesis book signed
- **05/17/93** - Last day of classes
- **05/22/93** - Graduation!

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Appendix 5b:
Appendix 6:

- Thesis Proposal Due: 9/25/92
- Begin Outline:
  - Problem Statement
  - Documentation of need
  - Mission Statement: 9/29/92
- Outline:
  - add goals and objectives: 10/6/92
- Outline:
  - add processes and strategies
  - Work on timeline: 10/13/92
Appendix 6:
What does research really mean?
How do you document it?
How does it lead you to the next step?

Research Document
- outline
- more detail
- rational at what I am trying to get at

Bibliography
- Talk to people who teach foundation design
- Resources, books

Consumer's Guide to Graphic Design
AIGA - booklet trying to explain what g.d. is about
to a general audience

Reception - what is the right amount
How do you make something that is complex
and simplify it so it still has meaning.

Committee Members -
12-1 Thursday - Dr. Zakim
12-2 Friday -

Log
Dec 10th (Tues. Thurs. Fri.)
Appendix 7:
Thesis Committee Meeting #1

Dave: I think that's really needed. Terminology at a certain level:
- definitions
- framework

Should I isolate this just graphic design or more general design (visual design):
- applicable to any field in the visual arts
- speak prof. terminology that will help

Find out what is required from teachers:
NYS library
Curriculum guidelines
what they've received and see if any of it has been useful

Organization skills of student
- coming up with new ideas

* Innovative courses in the high schools

Aesthetic level needs to be raised to compete in the market. We could make money on art / we don't win football
Roger -> nature of the project

Problem statement - difference between high school and foundation level in college
when and when is the appropriate time to be educated in

develop their mind may be better
to help the problem what is a realistic thing

Problem:
Information (proper information)

Linguistics

what the real world is (what designers do)

Package clearly info about visual education & visual careers.

this piece may fit into a high school course.

Process of design that would cut across all visual designers

Information, careers, advocacy info.

Research: other projects that have tried to do similar thing
AIGA schools, (models)
Dave → perception (needs to be problem solver, Communicator, process not products)

Roge → more "doable" goals aren't that far off

Dave → organizing space thread that is through all design negative space

We don't think in straight lines not → "my gut feeling"

* design can't just fit graphic designers

Roge → do work on re-casting some of proposal research area → talk to art teachers guidance counselors

Norm Williams Validate project

analyse the model

→ file on advocacy

→ career information and some publications

Re-shape and fine tune
Vocabulary, terminology words used to talk intelligently about design.

Get rid of the image of cartoons, you've been put something more concrete.

Dane → monocular clues → "Space"

Too general in terminology, it's not true that you have to be just "talented".

No standards → needs to be standard def.

Need to be specific, scientists have breakthroughs all the time and they have def.

Henry - would be a good resource.

Europe - highly regarded as designers.

History of the world.

The designer's creed - visual impression, solve the need plus be beautiful, etc.

Visual forms, symbols, colors - primary colors.

Importance of design in life.
Appendix 8a:
Graphic Design Information

Career Graphic Design Information

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.SCHOOLS
.JOBS
.PORTFOLIO
Appendix 8b:
Appendix 8c:
Appendix 8d:
Definitions
Appendix 8e:
A History of Visual Communication: Precedence

A History of Design Then the

Design and the History of Design

Machine Age by Peter Barnum

Theory and Design in the First

Recommended books for further reading:

Examples go back to the early 1900's.

Importantly, learn about the roots.

To better understand graphic design, it

and advertising;

is in typography, printing, photography,

defined. It has a variety of sources such

Graphic design is not clearly
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What is Graphic Design? Graphic design is the visual communication of messages through images and words.

Graphic designers create books, billboards, signs, postage stamps, newspapers, magazines, posters, corporate logos, product packaging, exhibitions, film titles, shopping bags, architectural graphics and many other visual images we encounter in our daily lives.
Graphic Design has a long, unclear history. Architects, painters, illustrators, and the designers have been doing graphic design before the term "graphic design" was coined. It was in the early 1920's when W.A. Dwiggins coined the phrase.

Below are some important graphic designers. Each has played a major role in what graphic design is today. For more information about graphic design see *American Typography Today* by Rob Carter.

**April Greiman**
(b. 1946) American Graphic Designer
Greiman is President of April Greiman Incorporated, Los Angeles. She received a BFA in design from the Kansas City Art Institute in 1970 and studied at the Allgemeine Kunstgewerbeschule, Basel from 1970-71. Her work is widely published and exhibited throughout the world. Publications include *Seven Graphic Designers, Tokyo*, and *A History of Graphic Design*. She has received numerous awards from the major design organizations, and she lectures regularly throughout the United States.

**Armin Hofmann**
(b. 1920) Swiss Graphic Designer and Educator
Hofmann has been a guru at the Allgemeine Kunstgewerbeschule (school of design) in Basel for over forty years. As a leader of the International Typographic Style, he has emphasized the aesthetic value and communicative potential of elemental form. He approaches design and typography from a semiotic point of view, believing that meaning is derived through the interrelationships of signs.

**A.M. Cassandre**
(1901-1968) French poster designer
Cassandre applied the principles of Cubism and Purism to the design of posters, having the sole purpose of communicating clearly and concisely. Bold geometric images and refined letterforms were combined to convey accurate messages. As a Synthetic Cubist, Cassandre often introduced forms that functioned as symbols for his subject matter, rather than as representations of themselves. He also designed a number of well-known typefaces: Peignot, Acier, Chambord, and Bifur being the most popular.

**William Golden**
(1911-1959) American Graphic Designer
In 1950, Golden created one of America's most familiar and timeless symbols, the CBS "eye." This mark exemplifies the modernist ideal and standard of quality he brought to his major communications corporation, and in turn to the public environment. His participation with top management in making major decisions about corporate image was a pioneering step that raised the level of design consciousness throughout corporate America.
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What is graphic design and what do graphic designers do? It is an evolving career. For centuries it has been practiced by artisans, scribes, painters, illustrators, printers, and photographers. Today computer technicians and commercial artists are even involved.

Learners, seekers, students. Those who want to learn, discover, create. This will provide a foundation to build on. As Alfred North Whitehead once said,

There can be no mental development without interest. ... Joy is the normal healthy spur for the elan vital. ... The habit of active thought, with freshness, can only be generated by adequate freedom. ... The discipline, when it comes, should satisfy a natural craving for the wisdom which adds value to bare experience.

Let's get excited about a career in graphic design! This booklet shows high school students what variety there is in the creative field of graphic design. It is an overview that informs and provides resources for additional information. It is a great way to find out what graphic design is about!
Some Important Graphic Designers

Graphic design has an unusual history. Prior to the phrase being coined in the early 1920's by W.A. Dwiggins, 'graphic design' was executed through art, photography, advertising, printing, and typography. Today the graphic designer will often use the assistance of the illustrator or photographer to aid in the design.

Graphic design is a field that encompasses all cultures, countries, and people. Some of the important graphic designers are mentioned and each designer has played a major role in how graphic design has changed and what graphic design is today.

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<td>Paul Rand - (b.1914)</td>
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<td>Since 1956, Paul Rand has been a design consultant to major American corporations; such as, IBM, Cummins Engine Company, and Westinghouse Electric. He has taught at Yale University since 1956 and currently is a Professor Emeritus of Graphic Design. Among his awards are: Doctor of Fine Arts (honorary), the Hall of Fame of the New York Art Directors Club, the Gold Medal of the American Institute of Graphic Arts, and the Medal of the Type Directors Club.</td>
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<td>Hofmann is an outstanding educator at the Allgemeine Kunstgewerbeschule (school of design) in Basel for over forty years. His gift as a teacher are united with independent and strikingly rich powers of artistic expression. His work is enormously varied. It includes poster stage designs, logos, typographic work, orientation systems and also three-dimensional designs, mostly for public buildings.</td>
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<td>April Greiman (b.1948)</td>
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<td>After Greiman received her BFA in design from Kansas City Art Institute in 1970, she spent a year at Allgemeine Kunstgewerbeschule in Basel. She is the ultimate risktaker with one foot in the future. Her most significant tool is the Macintosh computer lending her designs to have textured layers that are digitally produced.</td>
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Listed below are a few names of graphic design firms. They are easy to find! Locally - just open the yellow pages of the phone book and look under the heading "Graphic Designers".

Whenever there is the opportunity to visit design firms - jump at it! There are design firms all over the world. Some are located in large cities, some in the country. Each have their own style worth checking out!

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Usually graphic designers attend college to prepare themselves. There are many types of programs and degrees available. It would be beneficial to research schools to determine what school is right for you.

Some of the degrees that are offered are: Associate degrees - awarded by two-year colleges that offer art or design courses; Bachelor degree (either a Bachelor of Arts; BA, Bachelor of Fine Arts, BFA, or a Bachelor of Graphic Design, BGA) - awarded by colleges that offer four or five-year programs of study. At this level it will best prepare you for a high-quality entry-level position. Masters degree (Masters of Fine Art, MFA) is recognized as the highest attainable degree in the visual arts.

Each college has their own admission requirements. The individual schools of your choice should be contacted for the appropriate application material. Many schools require a portfolio. Your portfolio should consist of examples of your best work. This will indicate your level of artistic skill.
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Graduate Thesis Statement Form

Every graduate thesis student is required to write a thesis statement. (No longer than one page, please.)

A statement may accompany each piece or one statement may be written that represents a body of work.

Please either attach your statements to this sheet or write below.

The responsibility for proofreading is the students. If you need help "proofing" ask someone to help.

The gallery will be responsible for typing and laser printing the labels and thesis statements.

The students will be responsible for spray mounting, cutting and installing labels and thesis statements at 57".

Thesis Statement

"There can be no mental development without interest . . . .
Joy is the normal healthy spur for the élan vital . . . .
The habit of active thought, with freshness, can only be generated by adequate freedom . . . .
The discipline, when it comes, should satisfy a natural craving for the wisdom which adds value to bare experience."
- Alfred North Whitehead

Please put the words élan vital in italics. Thanks!

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Danielle G. Plouffe
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Student Name

2nd. year grad. Dept./Prog. - ADC (Grad. Graphic Design)
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Dept. - ADC Course - Thesis

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City State Zip

227 Commerce Drive Avon New York 14414

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School of Art and Design

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April 5
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For information, call 475 - 2646
High school students spend much of their time thinking, researching, and preparing for the career of their dreams. Many students know what they enjoy, but are uncertain as to the type of job opportunities available.

Research was done as to what high school students need and want to help prepare them for their future. Guidance counselors and high school teachers were contacted to find out what information could be used to help students make decisions about their future.

The research provided many answers. The field of graphic design seemed to be a mystery. The information provided to the guidance counselors was scattered, not organized and confusing. They needed something bound, systematic and easily managed that provided basic answers for the high school student. The booklet is a convenient size for a bookshelf or a filing cabinet; large enough to get noticed, but not too small to get lost.

The poster could be displayed in the guidance counselor's office, teacher's classroom or the high school hallway. This would entice the student to seek more information. The poster provides the student with the first step of finding out about graphic design.

The Graphic Design Career Information booklet is kept in the guidance counselor's office. This shows high school students what a variety there is in the creative field of graphic design. It is an overview that informs and provides resources for additional information.

The resources open other avenues to follow for more detailed information. It is a great way to find out about graphic design!
Get excited! Graphic design is the creative use of images and words to communicate.

Looking around our environment, graphic design is everywhere! Graphic designers create such things as logos and posters. Everything needs to be designed and it is the graphic designer's job to see that the information is properly, efficiently, and aesthetically displayed in whatever form it may take.

Ask your guidance counselor where to find the Graphic Design Career Information booklet and other graphic design material. Also, call or write to the America Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) 1059 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10021. 212/752.0813
Appendix 16:

Graphic Design

Career Information!

Danielle G. Plouffe
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Rochester Institute of Technology

Graphic Design Career Information booklet

Danielle G. Plouffe
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April, 1993
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Let's get excited about a career in graphic design! This booklet shows you what variety there is in the creative field of graphic design. It is a visual overview that informs and provides resources for additional information. It is a great introduction to graphic design!

Before the term 'graphic design' was coined it was an activity practiced by artisans, scribes, painters, illustrators, printers, and more recently by photographers. Today computer technicians and commercial artists are even involved.

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This will provide a foundation to build on.
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M. Cassandre
railway poster
Illman Express, Paris-Brussels-Amsterdam
5x105 cm

April Greiman
The Modern Poster
39x25 in.
1988 The Museum of Modern Art, NY

Paul Rand
Listen! Listen!
Book Illustration
1970
Designer's Showcase

Graphic design has an interesting history. The phrase was coined in 1922 by W.A. Dwiggins. Graphic design incorporated art, photography, advertising, printing, and typography.

A showcase of important graphic designers are shown here. Each designer has played a major role in how graphic design has changed and what graphic design is today.

A.M. Cassandre - (1901-1968) French Poster Designer
Cassandre became known as the greatest poster designer in the 1930's. Having the sole purpose of communicating clearly and concisely, Cassandre applied principles of Cubism and Purism. He used bold geometric images in combination with refined letterforms. He would often introduce forms that functioned as symbols for his subject matter, rather than as representations of themselves.

William Golden - (1911-1959) American Graphic Designer
In 1950, Golden created one of America's most familiar and timeless symbols, the CBS 'eye'. He saw no reason why fine art and good design should have to compromise with commercialism. At CBS, he participated with top management in making major decisions about corporate images. That was a pioneering step that raised the level of design consciousness throughout corporate America.

April Greiman - (b.1948) American Graphic Designer
After Greiman received her BFA in design from Kansas City Art Institute in 1970, she spent a year at Allgemeine Kunstgewerbeschule in Basel. She is one of the most influential and controversial of America's contemporary designers. Her most significant tool is the Macintosh computer lending her designs to have textured layers that are digitally produced.
Armin Hofmann - (b. 1920) Swiss Graphic Designer and Educator
Hofmann is an outstanding educator at the Allgemeine Kunstgewerbeschule (school of design) in Basel for over forty years. His gift as a teacher are united with independent and strikingly rich powers of artistic expression. His work is enormously varied. It includes poster, stage designs, logos, typographic work, orientation systems and also three-dimensional designs, mostly for public buildings.

Cheryl D. Miller - (b. 1951) American Graphic Designer
Miller has practiced graphic design for 19 years and is president of her own firm in New York City. She is also president of the Design Exchange, a resource center and placement service for qualified minority designers. Also, Miller acts as a part-time adjunct instructor in graphic design at the Fashion Institute of Technology, New York City.

Paul Rand - (b. 1914) American Graphic Designer
Rand studied art and design at Pratt Institute, Parsons School of Design, the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, and with George Grosz at the Art Students League. Since 1956, Paul Rand has been a design consultant to major American corporations; such as, IBM, Cummins Engine Company, and Westinghouse Electric. He has taught at Yale University since 1956 and currently is a Professor Emeritus of Graphic Design.

Bradbury Thompson - (b. 1911) American Graphic Designer
Thompson is well-known for his postage stamps. He has served as a design consultant to several important organizations. These included Westvaco Corporation, McGraw-Hill Publications, Time-Life Book, Harvard University, and the Oxford University Press. Since 1956, he has been a Senior Critic and Visiting Professor at the Yale School of Art.
Listed below are several graphic design firms. They are easy to find! Locally - just open the yellow pages of the phone book and look under the heading “Graphic Designers”. Want to see more work of the international firms? Check out some magazines like PRINT or Communication Arts. Another way to find out more is by writing to the design firm. When in the area, pick up the phone and call.

Whenever there is the opportunity to visit design firms - Jump at it! There are design firms all over the world. Some are located in large cities, some in small towns and villages. Each have their own style worth checking out!

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The Nature Company

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![Image of a rabbit with the words "THE NATURE COMPANY"]
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- National Endowment for the Arts
- Herb Lubalin Award of the Society of Publication Designers
- Presidential Design Award
Getting Started

There are many ways to become a graphic designer. You could start by being an apprentice who is someone learning a craft or art. By working for a graphic designer with little or no experience, the graphic designer would act as your 'instructor'. A good way to work with a graphic designer is through an internship or a co-op program. This normally takes place while attending school.

Usually graphic designers attend community colleges, colleges, universities, or a professional art school to prepare themselves for their career. There are many types of programs and degrees available. Each institution has their own philosophy and approach to design. It would be beneficial to research schools to determine what school is right for you.

Some of the degrees offered are: Associate degrees awarded by two-year colleges or perhaps a community college, that offer art or design courses; Bachelor degree either a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts or a Bachelor of Graphic Design, awarded by colleges that offer four or five-year programs of study. Any of these degrees will prepare you for a high-quality entry-level position. A Masters of Fine Arts is recognized as the highest attainable degree in the visual arts field.

Each educational institution has its own admission requirements. The school of your choice should be contacted for the appropriate application material. Many schools require a portfolio. Your portfolio should consist of examples of your best work. This will indicate your level of artistic skill.

As a novice, you may be asked to do simple tasks, to assist experienced designers, and to complete many elemental assignments. Through these mundane tasks your employer is exposing you to his/her philosophy. This is your "dues-paying" time. Positions like these are known as entry-level positions. This allows the employer time to train you. In time, you will gain experience and be given client projects by the graphic designer. As you gain experience you will work with the clients, and follow through with the printing process.

Kerr-choo oo, 1949

Bradbury Thompson
2 page spread
Kerr-choo-oo, 1949
For more information about a career in graphic design, see your art teacher, guidance counselor, or librarian. Below are some organizations and books that may be helpful in getting started!

**Organizations:**
American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA)  
1059 Third Avenue  
New York, NY 10021  
212/752.0813

American Center for Design  
233 E. Ontario, Suite 500  
Chicago, IL 60611  
312/787.2018

National Association Schools of Art and Design (NASAD)  
11250 Roger Bacon Drive, Suite 21  
Reston, Virginia 22090  
703/437.0700

**Books:**
*Layout* - Allen Hurlburt

*Nine Pioneers in American Graphic Design* - R. Roger Remington & Barbara J. Hodik

*The Visual Craft of William Golden* - Cipe Pineles Golden

*American Typography Today* - Rob Carter

*Typography* - Rob Carter

*Graphic Design & Designer* - Alan & Isabella Livingston

*A History of Graphic Design* - Philip Meggs

*Graphic Design Manual* - Armin Hofman

*Hybrid Imagery* - April Greiman

*The Art of Graphic Design* - Bradbury Thompson

*A Designer's Art* - Paul Rand

*A.M. Cassandre Posters* - Cassandre

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Paul Rand
Package designs
IBM Corporation
1973 - 1984

NISSAN
Pentagram
Nissan Motor Company
Car Manufacturers
Credits

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Armin Hofmann, Poster
His Work, Quest and Philosophy - Armin
Hofmann

William Golden, Trademark
The Visual Craft of William Golden -
Cipe Pineles Golden

Paul Rand, Packaging
A Designer's Art - Paul Rand

Bradbury Thompson, Stamp
The Art of Graphic Design - Bradbury
Thompson

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A.M. Cassandre, Poster
A.M. Cassandre Posters - Cassandre

April Greiman, Poster
Hybrid Imagery - April Greiman

Paul Rand, Book Illustration
A Designer's Art - Paul Rand

A.M. Cassandre
A.M. Cassandre Posters - Cassandre

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William Golden
The Visual Craft of William Golden -
Cipe Pineles Golden

April Greiman
American Typography Today - Rob Carter

Cheryl Miller
PRINT magazine, 1987 issue

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Paul Rand
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The Nature Company
Pentagram Identities
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<td>Allgemeine</td>
<td>A design school in Switzerland that was founded on the philosophic basis of six educators. These people are Emil Ruder, Armin Hofmann, Robert Buchler, Andre Gurler, Max Schmid, and Wolfgang Weingart. This school has been one of the most influential design institutions of the twentieth century.</td>
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<td>An apprentice is someone who is learning how to become a graphic designer.</td>
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<td>One who has responsibility for the overall project including: working with the clients, printers, writers, illustrators, photographers, etc.</td>
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Olympics 1984
36x24 in.
Photo: Jayme Odgers

Paul Rand
Trademark
Westinghouse Electric Corporation
About Myself

Danielle G. Plouffe - (b. 1969) American Graphic Design Student
I chose to create this booklet to inform others about the field of graphic design. I received my Bachelor of Arts degree in design from the University at Buffalo. Currently, I am working on my Master of Fine Arts degree in graphic design at the Rochester Institute of Technology. I spent a month traveling in Europe visiting graphic design firms, meeting people such as Armin Hofmann, and visiting design schools. I have also worked as the Creative Director for Vinton, Inc. in Henrietta, New York. I found my studies interesting and I am looking forward to a career in graphic design.

To my mom, dad, and Billium - my support, my backbone, the ones who got me through...

The success of this book is due in part to the many people who helped me along the way. I would especially like to express my appreciation to my friends and family who supported my efforts and encouraged me to go on. Many thanks to my professors at Rochester Institute of Technology for their help in designing this book and, more importantly, contributing to my learning: Professor R. Roger Remington, Dr. Richard Zakia, Professor David Abbott, and Professor Deborah Beardslee.
"There can be no mental development without interest....
Joy is the normal healthy spur for the élan vital....
The habit of active thought, with freshness, can only be generated by adequate freedom....
The discipline, when it comes, should satisfy a natural craving for the wisdom which adds value to bare experience."
-Alfred North Whitehead
Appendix 18a:
Evaluation question - big overall picture

The output column represents the objectives

Follow-up Procedures:

→ good device after delivering the product

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If all of the evaluation answers this question
When you need not blur the state it.
Appendix 18b:
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This was an interesting and enjoyable experience.

I would recommend the booklet/poster to a friend.

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Greatest strength . . .

Improve this . . .

Comments . . .

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Need something more dynamic on the career
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