

**Design Arts  
(International Program)**

**Faculty of Decorative Arts**

**Program Title** Doctor of Philosophy Program in Design Arts  
(International Program)

Master of Fine Arts Program in Design Arts  
(International Program)

**Degree Title** Doctor of Philosophy (Design Arts)  
Ph.D. (Design Arts)

Master of Fine Arts (Design Arts)  
M.F.A. (Design Arts)

**Objectives**

1. To provide designers/scholars with knowledge and expertise in the area of art and design and to enable them to propose new theories or present art works or designs of high standard.

2. To stimulate and support an academic environment suitable for enhancing researches and studies of art and design and to reinforce/make possible a future body of knowledge within Thailand and abroad.

3. To educate scholars/experts in order to keep up with the most updated knowledge in the field of art and design in the world of globalization. The graduates are expected to be in the forefront of the field of design.

**Eligibility for Application**

1. The applicant is required to possess at least one of the following:

1.1 A Master Degree in Art, Design or in other relevant fields of study and a distinguished portfolio or equivalent.

1.2 A Bachelor Degree in Art, Design or in other relevant fields of study with first class honor and a portfolio or equivalent or with the minimum GPA of 3.00 and a minimum nine years of professional experience related to the field of design.

If the applicant's qualifications do not meet the requirement as stated in 1.1 and 1.2, they must go through the consideration of the curriculum committee for approval.

2. The applicant's qualifications must comply with the Regulations of Silpakorn University Graduate School 2007 Division 7 (or as revised).

3. The applicant's efficiency in English must be proved by submitting a valid result of either TOEFL score of 173 (computer based), 61 (internet based) or IELTS of 5.5 or by passing the English Examination required by Silpakorn University Graduate School.

**Structure of the Curriculum**

**Doctor of Philosophy Program in Design Arts**

- **Plan 1.1** for the Ph.D. candidates with a Master Degree.

Seminar (non-credit)	2 credits
Thesis (equivalent to)	48 credits
Total credits	48 credits

- **Plan 1.2** for the Ph.D. candidates with a Bachelor Degree.

Seminar (non-credit)	2 credits
Thesis (equivalent to)	72 credits
Total credits	72 credits

### **Master Degree Program in Design Arts**

#### **Plan A – 1**

Seminar (non-credit)	2 credits
Thesis (equivalent to)	36 credits
Total credits	36 credits

#### Note:

1. The students whose research skill and background knowledge is insufficient may be assigned to take additional non-credit courses within the undergraduate and the graduate programs or do academic activities under the consideration of the curriculum committee.

2. In case that the thesis submitted is not qualified to be awarded Ph.D. Degree, the candidate might instead receive a Master Degree depending upon the Curriculum Committee's decision.

### **Course Requirements**

#### **Doctor of Philosophy Program**

##### **- Plan 1.1**

370 501*	Seminar	2(0-4-2)
370 502	Thesis (equivalent to)	36 credits
370 503	Thesis (equivalent to)	12 credits

##### **- Plan 1.2**

370 501*	Seminar	2(0-4-2)
370 502	Thesis (equivalent to)	36 credits
370 504	Thesis (equivalent to)	36 credits

#### **Master Degree Program**

##### **Plan A – 1**

370 501*	Seminar	2(0-4-2)
370 502	Thesis (equivalent to)	36 credits

### **Course Descriptions**

370 501*	Seminar	2(0-4-2)
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Condition: This course is evaluated as S/U

The seminar aims to explore and exchange ideas and concepts in the field of art and design. Comprehensive reading, compilation of information and research experience are presented and discussed in the form of seminar sessions. Beneficial ideas can then be used to conduct the research for the thesis.

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\*As non-credit subject

- 370 502      Thesis (equivalent to)      36 credits  
This is a systematic two-year research study for both M.A. and Ph.D. programs in design arts. Either a full research or a research based on practice will be conducted individually under the supervision of the candidate's advisor.
- 370 503      Thesis (equivalent to)      12 credits  
Prerequisite: 370 502 Thesis  
This is an advanced systematic one-year research study for a Ph.D. program in design arts, which is a continuation of the course 370 502. The course is designed for the candidates with Plan 1.1 under the supervision of the advisor.
- 370 504      Thesis (equivalent to)      36 credits  
Prerequisite: 370 502 Thesis  
This is an advanced systematic two-year research study for a Ph.D. program in design arts, which is a continuation of the course 370 502. The course is designed for the candidates with Plan 1.2 under the supervision of the advisor.