Driven by an overarching question: “How can we design for a better tomorrow?” the Community-Centered Design major helps students learn about creative collaboration and design processes by which we understand complex issues and develop, implement, and share new ideas. Focused on sustainable and responsible solutions for real-world communities, this program places equal emphasis on theory, critical thinking, reflection, creativity, empathy, and working effectively with others, including community members and professionals in different fields. In addition to learning about general design theories, skills, and contexts, students customize their education by picking a concentration in Applied Design or Relational Design. Upon graduation, Community-Centered Design graduates are process experts ready to design a better tomorrow—a resilient and responsible tomorrow—together with local and global communities.

The *Applied Design* concentration emphasizes design processes needed to create tangible output; built or material products; simulations, interfaces or experiences that address the needs of the user; a person or a community. Tracks include (a) Communication Design, and (b) Green Design

The *Relational Design* concentration emphasizes design processes related to understanding and interacting with stakeholders, and creating within the complex relationships among people, across communities, and within systems. Tracks include (a) Community Resilience, Advocacy & Social Change and (b) Project Leadership, Management &Planning.

Here are the course requirements.

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| **Table 1. Community-Centered Design Major Categories & Coursework** |
| **CDAE Core (19 credits)** |
| CDAE 002 World Food, Population & Development |
| CDAE 024 Fund of Public Communication |
| CDAE 061 Principles of Community Development |
| CDAE 102 Sustainable Community Development |
| CDAE 127 Consumer, Markets & Public Policy |
| CDAE 250 Applied Research Methods |
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| **Community-Centered Design Core (15 credits)** |
| CDAE 040 Small Group Communication |
| CDAE 060 Design Innovation I |
| CDAE 160 Design Innovation II |
| One additional 200 level design course |
| Choice of Three-Credit Capstone Experience  Options:  ●      CDAE 296 - Internship  ●      CDAE 298 - Undergraduate Research  ●      CDAE 172 Sustainable Development Travel Study - CDAE project-based Study Trip (currently offered in Kenya, Nepal, Peru, St. Lucia)  ●      CDAE 291 - Independent Study  ●      CDAE 200-level Service-Learning Course  ● |
| **Community-Centered Design Concentration**  **Choose *either* Applied Design or Relational Design.  Then, within your choice you will choose one Track within that Concentration.** |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **APPLIED DESIGN CONCENTRATION TRACKS -**Requirements: choose 9 courses (27 credits) from one of the following tracks. | | | **Track 1. Communication Design**  CDAE 015 Visual Communication  CDAE 018 Communication­ Design I  CDAE 116 Communication Design II  CDAE 016 Digital Illustration  CDAE 111 Design: Narrative Media & Video  CDAE 112 Social Media: Theory 2 Practice  CDAE 114 Doc. Film for Social Change  CDAE 164 Design + Cultural Entrprnrshp  CDAE 168 SU: Marketing: Com Entrepreneurs  CDAE 178 Socially Responsible Marketing  CDAE 196/296 Internship  CDAE 231 Applied Computer Graphics  CDAE 276 Community Design Studio  CDAE 295 Special Topics-Publication Design  CDAE 2XX Project-based Study Trip  CS 008 Intro to Website Development  CS 142 Advanced Website Development  CS 148 Database Design for the Web | **Track 2. Green Design**  CDAE 001 Drafting & Design in SketchUp  CDAE 006 Energy Alternatives  CDAE 101 Drafting & Design: SketchUp II  CDAE 131 Appl Des Studio: Lt Frame Bldg  CDAE 171 Community& Econ Transformation  CDAE 186 Sustain Dev Sm Island States  CDAE 170   Green Building Energy Systems CDAE 172 Sustainable Development Travel Study  CDAE 237 Economics of Sustainability  CDAE 273 Project Development & Planning  CDAE 276 Community Design Studio  CDAE 278 Applied Community Planning  CDAE 196/296 Internship  PSS 010 Home & Garden Horticulture  PSS 123 Garden Flowers  PSS 125 Woody Landscape Plants  PSS 137 Landscape Design Fundamentals  PSS 156 Permaculture  PSS 157 Permaculture Design  PSS 238 Ecological Landscape Design  GEOG81 Geospatial Cncpt&Visualization  NR143 Spatial Analysis or GEOG 287 Spatial Analysis | | **RELATIONAL DESIGN CONCENTRATION -**Requirements: choose 9 courses (27 credits) from one of the following tracks. | | | **Track 1. Community Resilience, Advocacy & Social Change**  CDAE 113 Activist Journalism  CDAE 114 Doc. Film for Social Change  CDAE 123 Media-Policy-Action  CDAE 141 Crisis Communication  CDAE 157 Consumer Law Policy  CDAE 159 Consumer Assistance Program  CDAE 178 Socially Responsible Marketing CDAE 172 Sustainable Development Travel Study  CDAE 196/296 Internship  CDAE 205 Rural Comm in Modern Society  CDAE 259 Consumer Assistance Program II  CDAE 260 Smart Resilient Communities  CDAE 271 Local Community Initiatives  CDAE 276 Community Design Studio  CDAE 2XX Project-based Study Trip  SPCH 031 Argument & Advocacy  SPCH 071 Fundamentals of Debate  SPCH 072 Citizen Advocacy & Debate | **Track 2. Project Leadership, Management  & Planning**  CDAE 004 US Food Social Equity & Dev  CDAE 119 Event Planning for Athletics  CDAE 140 Leadership in Practice  CDAE 166 Intro to Comm Entrepreneurship CDAE 172 Sustainable Development Travel Study  CDAE 186 Sustain Dev Sm Island States  CDAE 196/296 Internship  CDAE 218 Community Org & Development  CDAE 237 Economics of Sustainability  CDAE 266 Dec Making: Comm Entrepreneurs  CDAE 267 Strat Plan: Comm Entrepreneurs  CDAE 271 Local Community Initiatives  CDAE 272 Int'l Economic Development  CDAE 273 Project Development & Planning  CDAE 276 Community Design Studio  CDAE 278 Applied Community Planning  CDAE 286 Adv Sust Dev Sm Island States  PA 206. Intro Cont Public Affairs | |