

Arts Entrepreneurship Department
Entrepreneurship Minor
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Sheet
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1. When does MCAD's Entrepreneurship Minor officially begin?

Students can pursue the Entrepreneurship Minor starting Spring semester 2020.

2. Why would I declare an Entrepreneurship Minor?

The Entrepreneurship Minor provides students with the working knowledge and practice in applying business theories and practices used by creative professionals. Entrepreneurship Minors explore the tools, methods, and research techniques commonly used in by artists, designers, and other professionals working in the creative sector. The body of knowledge gained from the Entrepreneurship Minor can be applied in freelance, small business, and professional settings.

3. How do I declare an Entrepreneurship Minor?

The Minor Declaration Form is available in the MCAD Student Affairs Office or on MCAD Intranet Resources under Academic Advising. Students must have the Chair of the Arts Entrepreneurship Department sign the form and return the completed form to the MCAD Student Affairs Office.

4. Who is eligible to declare the Entrepreneurship Minor?

The Entrepreneurship Minor is open to all BFA undergraduate students at MCAD.

5. Do I need to schedule an advising appointment to declare the Entrepreneurship Minor?

An advising appointment is not required however students are encouraged to discuss their interest in the Entrepreneurship Minor with their academic advisor(s) prior to declaration.

6. When is the best time for an MCAD student to declare her or his interest in completing the Entrepreneurship Minor? Can seniors declare an Entrepreneurship Minor?

Students are strongly encouraged to declare an Entrepreneurship Minor early in their academic career, although they may do so at any time before their last semester at MCAD. Declaring a minor early in their MCAD career helps students better schedule the requirements in relation to their degree requirements. Students who declare the minor late in their undergraduate careers may need to take more than the recommended courses per semester, or complete the minor requirements by enrolling in summer courses or additional semesters.

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7. Will the MCAD courses that I took before declaring the Entrepreneurship Minor apply?

Yes, as long as they are listed in the minor.

8. Can classes I take at other colleges and universities be applied toward the Entrepreneurship Minor?

Students can transfer up to six credits toward fulfilling the requirements of the Entrepreneurship Minor at MCAD. These transfer credits will be reviewed and approved by the Dean of Students and/or the Chair of the Arts Entrepreneurship department.

9. Are there recommended courses within the Entrepreneurship Minor for particular majors (i.e. graphic design, film, etc.)?

Once a student has officially declared their intent to pursue the Entrepreneurship Minor, they will select from a list of courses required for the Entrepreneurship Minor. With the exception of writing assignments, most courses allow students to deliver many of their assignments in an area of creative practice of their choosing.

10. How is the completed Entrepreneurship Minor indicated on student transcripts?

Students Degree Audits indicate the declaration of the minor and the courses available to complete the minor. Students who successfully complete all of the required courses for the Entrepreneurship Minor will see a notation on their final transcript noting completion of the Entrepreneurship Minor. However, if students do not complete the requirements for the Entrepreneurship Minor before they graduate, there is no indication of the minor on their transcripts.

11. Is there a minimum grade point average required to declare or to complete the minor?

No, there is no minimum grade point average required for the Entrepreneurship Minor.

12. How can I find out more information about the courses required of the Entrepreneurship Minor?

Required courses for completing of the Entrepreneurship Minor can be found on the Entrepreneurship Minor information sheet in the Student Affairs Office or on MCAD Intranet under Academic Advising. For more information, students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor(s) and/or the Chair of Arts Entrepreneurship.