

Pimpri Chinchwad Education Trust's
Pimpri Chinchwad University
Sate, Pune - 412106

Curriculum Structure
Bachelor of Design
Pune Design School



Effective from Academic Year 2025-26

Program Structure

Preamble:

India has a long history of welcoming visitors with open arms, making it recognised as a typically hospitable nation. Hospitality is known to be the very essence of India. The hospitality sector offers a wide range of professional options at different levels and requires a variety of talents, and it makes a considerable contribution to the economies of India and many other nations. The goal of Pimpri Chinchwad University's Bachelor of Design is to provide students with a solid intellectual foundation. Their ability to develop strategic business insight, make moral decisions, and adopt a sustainable worldview is empowered by the curriculum. In essence, the programme aims to create leaders who can proactively implement business strategies that pursue the economic well-being of all stakeholders while considering the welfare of the people and impact on the planet. The foundational information and abilities offered in this undergraduate degree programme are crucial for students to succeed in creative roles and be responsible citizens in the future. A key component of the curriculum is the student's holistic development. The B.Des program is Ideal for students who wish to start a career in Design, management, or entrepreneurship soon after graduation.

Vision and Mission of Programme:

Vision

The vision of the Pune Design School is to be recognized for leadership in the discipline and the profession by advancing design excellence in an evolving global ecosystem, promoting human values and well being, and inculcating responsibility to society, the environment, and the profession.

Mission

- To offer future leaders with academic and research excellence to succeed in today's dynamic Design Environment as successful managers and entrepreneurs.
- To Improve and Enhance the Educational Experience.
- To Cultivate a Culture of Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities
- To Grow a Comprehensive and Balanced Student community and Faculty
- To Advance Industry, Professional, Community and University Partners

Programme Educational Objectives:

1. Develop research methodologies to investigate and identify design focused interventions.
2. Develop critical thinking and ability to create innovative solutions.
3. Exhibit proficiency in practices that employ media, materials & emerging technologies.
4. Ability to demonstrate digital & analogue competence to present ideas.
5. Develop entrepreneurial approach to create strategic design solutions.

Programme Outcomes (POs):

The Graduates will be able to:

1. **Research Mindset:** Evolving a research-oriented mindset as an approach to undertake design solutions.
2. **Critical & Design Thinking:** Capacity to apply and effectively problem-solve in an unstructured, unfamiliar and complex context.
3. **Material Sensibility:** Demonstrate advanced sensibilities to analyse attributes and applicability of materials.
4. **Emerging Technology Practice:** Demonstrate curiosity and intention of practice in the domain of emerging technologies that engender innovation in the industry.
5. **Analog & Digital Competency:** Demonstrate competency in a range of analog and digital skills for creativity and communication.
6. **Strategic Design Disposition:** Illustrate critical understanding of impact of design interventions on micro & macro environments.
7. **Entrepreneurial Attitude:** Display of professionalism, enterprise, teamwork and collaboration as an approach and attitude towards entrepreneurship.

Programme Specific Outcomes (PSOs):

1. Using a structured thought process and design development process, ability to design Products that create business value, serve individual and societal needs while considering environmental impact
2. Ability to create innovative solutions which are desirable to the user, technically feasible and commercially viable.
3. Ability to develop concepts through cycles of research and concept progression while integrating all relevant issues in a given context through several stages of design development and form building.
4. Develop an understanding of the human- centered focus of design and knowledge of functionality based on human factors and ergonomics.
5. Ability to identify consumer needs through understanding of values, cultures, behavioral norms, social patterns, demographics, trends and future scenarios.
6. Ability to develop a personal learning style, observe and evaluate own learning, diagnose own learning needs to serve the purpose of self and life-long learning.
7. Ability to work in a professional manner with the knowledge of design management in a collaborative, team environment, honoring timelines and ethical considerations.

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Curriculum Framework for B. Des (4 years)

| Sr. No. | Type of course | Abbreviations |
|---------|---|---------------|
| 1 | Major | PCC |
| 2 | Elective (Minor Stream/Vocational/Programme Specific) | MIN |
| 3 | Multidisciplinary / Open Electives | OE |
| 4 | Ability Enhancement Courses | AEC |
| 5 | Skill Enhancement Courses | SEC |
| 6 | Value Added Courses | VAC |
| 7 | Summer Internship | INTR |
| 8 | Internship | INTR |
| 9 | Project | PROJ |

| Sr. No. | Type of course | No. of Courses | Total Credits | |
|---------|--|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| | | | No | % |
| 1 | Programme Core Credit | 34 | 86 | 53.75 |
| 2 | Minor Stream/Vocational/Programme Specific | 5 | 10 | 6.25 |
| 3 | Multidisciplinary / Open Electives | 3 | 6 | 3.75 |
| 4 | Ability Enhancement Courses | 6 | 6 | 3.75 |
| 5 | Skill Enhancement Courses | 6 | 16 | 10 |
| 6 | Value Added Courses | 4 | 5 | 3.125 |
| 7 | Internship | 1 | 4 | 2.5 |
| 8 | Project | 1 | 11 | 7.5 |
| | Total | 8 | 16 | 6.875 |

COURSE DISTRIBUTION: SEMESTER WISE

| Sr. No. | Type of course | No. of Courses/Semester | | | | | | | | Total |
|--------------|--|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----------|
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | |
| 1 | Programme Core Credit | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 34 |
| 2 | Minor Stream/Vocational/Programme Specific | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| 3 | Open Electives | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| 4 | Ability Enhancement Courses | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 5 | Skill Enhancement Courses | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| 6 | Value Added Courses | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 7 | Internship | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 8 | Project | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 9 | MOOC | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | 68 |

Course Structure for B. Des (Animation and Game Design)

| Semester III | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|-----------------------|---|-------------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|---------|-----|-------------------|-----|-------|
| Sr. No. | Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
| | | | | Th | Tut | Pr / Self study | Credits | Hrs | CIA | ESA | Total |
| 1 | UBDAG201 | Animation/Game Foundations | PCC | 2 | - | 2 | 4 | 6 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | UBDAG202 | Design Research | PCC | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 3 | UBDAG203 | Introduction to 2D/ Puppet Animation | PCC | 2 | - | 2 | 4 | 6 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 4 | UBDAG204 | History & Techniques of Animation | PCC | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 5 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 5 | UBDAG205 | Open Elective 3 | OE | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 6 | UBDAG206 | Presentation Techniques | AEC | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 7 | UBDAG207 | 3D Modelling Introduction | SEC | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 5 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 8 | ACUHV201/ ACCOI202 | Universal Human Values II : Understanding Harmony / Constitution of India | AC | - | - | - | - | 2 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 9 | UFL201 | Foreign Language I | AEC | - | - | - | - | 2 | 50 | 0 | 50 |
| 10 | MOOCAG201 | Foundations of Game Thinking and Design | MOOC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| | Total | | | | | | 20 | 34 | 390 | 360 | 750 |

UFL201 - Foreign Language I
 Foreign Language I German
 UFL201B - Foreign Language I Japanese

UBDAG205 - Open Elective 3 UFL201A -
 UBDAG205A – Product Photography
 UBDAG205B - Design for Social Media

| Semester IV | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sr. No. | Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
|---------|---------------------|---|-------------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|---------|------|-------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | Th | Tut | Pr / Self study | Credits | Hrs. | CIA | ESA | Total |
| 1 | UBDAG208 | Design Studio 1 | PCC | 1 | - | 3 | 4 | 7 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | UBDAG209 | Introduction to Game Technologies | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 3 | UBDAG210 | Story Writing & Acting for Animation & Games | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 4 | UBDAG212 | Lighting, Shading & Composition 2D | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 5 | UBDAG213 | Mini Project 1 | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 6 | UBDAG214 | Portfolio 1 | AEC | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 7 | UBDAG215 | 3D Weapon, Mech & Vehicle Design 1 - Maya | SEC | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 5 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 8 | ACCOI202 / ACUHV201 | Constitution of India / Universal Human Values II : Understanding Harmony | AC | - | - | - | - | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 9 | | Minor 1 | MIN | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 10 | UFL202 | Foreign Language II | AEC | - | - | - | - | 2 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 11 | MOOCAG202 | Interactive Game Design | MOOC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| | Total | | | | | | 20 | 32 | 370 | 330 | 700 |

UFL202 - Foreign Language II

UFL202A - Foreign Language II German

UFL202B - Foreign Language II Japanese

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| | Semester V |
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| Sr. No. | Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
|---------|---------------------|---|-------------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|---------|-----|-------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | Th | Tut | Pr / Self study | Credits | Hrs | CIA | ESA | Total |
| 1 | UBDAG301 | Design Studio 2 | PCC | 1 | - | 3 | 4 | 7 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | UBDAG302 | Digital Concept Art For Creatures/ Characters/ Environments | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 3 | UBDAG303 | Game Engine – Unreal Engine IV | PCC | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 4 | UBDAG304 | 3D Environments 1 | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 5 | UBDAG305 | Mini Project 2 | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 6 | UBDAG306 | Project Documentation | AEC | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 7 | UBDAG307 | 3D Weapon, Mech & Vehicle Design 1 - Maya | SEC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 8 | UBDAG308 | Short Movie Making | VAC | - | - | 2 | 2 | 4 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 9 | ACALR301 / ACEVS301 | Aptitude and Logical Reasoning / Environmental Studies | AC | 2 | - | - | - | 2 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 10 | | Minor 2 | MIN | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 11 | UFL301 | Foreign Language III | AEC | - | - | - | - | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 12 | MOOCAG301 | Designing Dynamics | MOOC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| | Total | | | | | | 20 | 32 | 420 | 330 | 750 |

UFL301 - Foreign Language I

UFL301A - Foreign Language I German

UFL301B - Foreign Language I Japanese

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| | Semester VI |
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| Sr. No. | Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
|---------|---------------------|--|-------------|-----------------|-----|-----------------|---------|------|-------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | Th | Tut | Pr / Self study | Credits | Hrs. | CIA | ESA | Total |
| 1 | UBDAG309 | Design Studio 3 | PCC | 1 | - | 3 | 4 | 7 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | UBDAG310 | 3D Character/ Creature Design | PCC | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 5 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 3 | UBDAG311 | 3D Rigging & Skinning | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 4 | UBDAG312 | 3D Environments 2 | PCC | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 5 | UBDAG313 | Mini Project 3 | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 6 | UBDAG314 | Portfolio 2 | AEC | 0 | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 7 | UBDAG315 | Virtual Reality Tools | SEC | 0 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 8 | UBDAG316 | Theatre Arts | VAC | 0 | - | 1 | 1 | 2 | 50 | - | - |
| 9 | ACEVS301 / ACALR301 | Environmental Studies / Aptitude and Logical Reasoning | AC | - | - | - | - | 2 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 10 | | Minor 3 | MIN | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 40 | 60 | 50 |
| 11 | UFL302 | Foreign Language IV | AEC | - | - | - | - | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 12 | MOOCAG302 | Immersive Media and Extended Realities | MOOC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| | Total | | | | | | 20 | 34 | 440 | 360 | 700 |

UFL302 - Foreign Language II

UFL302A - Foreign Language II German

UFL302B - Foreign Language II Japanese

| Semester VII | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sr. No. | Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
| | | | | Th | Tut | Pr / Self study | Credits | Hrs. | CIA | ESA | Total |
| 1 | UBDAG401 | Design Studio 4 | PCC | 2 | - | 2 | 4 | 6 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | UBDAG402 | Design Studio 5 | PCC | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 5 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 3 | UBDAG403 | Design Management | PCC | 1 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 4 | UBDAG404 | Visual Scripting & Blueprints For Games | PCC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| 5 | UBDAG405 | Mini Project 4 | PCC | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 6 | UBDAG406 | Internship :UBD | PCC | - | - | - | 4 | - | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 7 | | Minor 4 | MIN | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 8 | MOOCAG401 | Visual Scripting & Rendering | MOOC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| Total | | | | | | | 20 | 19 | 290 | 360 | 650 |

| Semester VIII | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sr. No. | Course Code | Course Title | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
| | | | | Th | Tut | Pr / Self study | Credits | Hrs. | CIA | ESA | Total |
| 1 | UBDAG407 | Design Studio 6 | PCC | 1 | - | 2 | 3 | 5 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 2 | UBDAG408 | Research Paper Writing : UBD | PCC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 50 | - | 50 |
| 3 | UBDAG409 | Graduation Project : UBD | PCC | - | - | 11 | 11 | 22 | 150 | 200 | 350 |
| 4 | | Minor 5 | MIN | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 40 | 60 | 100 |
| 5 | MOOCAG402 | Production Design for Games | MOOC | 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| Total | | | | | | | 20 | 30 | 300 | 350 | 650 |

Course Exit Policy

UG Diploma in Design : Students who opt to exit after completion of the second year and have scored required credits offered by the school in the program structure will be awarded a UG diploma in Design, provided they must earn additional credits during the summer vacation of the second year.

| Second Year | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|-----------------|----|-----|--------|-----|--|-------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|
| Course Code | Course Name | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Theory | | OR/PR | | Total |
| | | | Th | Pr | Tut | Credit | Hrs | | CIA | ESA | CIA | ESA | |
| UDIEXBD201 | Research in Design./MOOCs | VSC | 2 | - | | 2 | 2 | | - | - | 50 | | 50 |
| UDIEXBD202 | Project/ Internship | VSC | - | 8 | | 4 | 8 | | - | - | 50 | 50 | 100 |

***Project- In house/ Sponsored/ Case Study/ Field work**

3-year UG Degree in Design : Students who opt to exit after completion of the third year and have scored required credits offered by the school in the program structure will be awarded a UG degree of B.Sc in Design, provided they must earn additional credits during the summer vacation of the third year

| Third Year | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------|----|-----|--------|-----|--|-------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|
| Course Code | Course Name | Course Type | Teaching Scheme | | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Theory | | OR/PR | | |
| | | | Th | Pr | Tut | Credit | Hrs | | CIA | ESA | CIA | ESA | Total |
| UDEXBD301 | Research in Design/MOOCs | VSC | 2 | - | | 2 | 2 | | - | - | 50 | | 50 |
| UDEXBD302 | Project/ Internship | VSC | - | 8 | | 4 | 8 | | - | - | 50 | 50 | 100 |

***Project- In house/ Sponsored/ Case Study/ Field work**

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|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Name of the Program: | | B.Des | | EXIT Course | | Level: UG | |
| Course Name | | Research in Design | | Course Code/ Course Type | | UCEXBD101 | |
| Course Pattern | | 2024 | | Version | | 1.0 | |
| Teaching Scheme | | | | | Assessment Scheme | | |
| Theory | Practical | Tutorial | Total Credits | Hours | CIA (Continuous Internal Assessment) | ESA (End Semester Assessment) | Practical/Oral |
| 2 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Pre-Requisite: | | | | | | | |
| Course Objectives (CO): | | | | The Objective of Research in Design is - 1. identify and discuss the role and importance of research in the social sciences. 2. identify and discuss the issues and concepts salient to the research process. 3. Discuss the complex issues inherent in selecting a research problem, selecting an appropriate research design, and implementing a research project. 4. Understand the concepts and procedures of sampling, data collection, analysis and reporting. 5. minimize the risk of bias and helps to control extraneous variables. | | | |
| Course Learning Outcomes (CLO): | | | | Students who successfully complete this course will be able to: 1. Understand why research is important for any kind of design intervention or design solution. 2. Understand and evaluate a wide range of qualitative and quantitative methodologies related to design research and practice 3. know which of these tools and methods be best suited in different context and circumstances during the research process. 4. Acquire data visualization skills and competently use visual representation tools such as Scenario and Personas building, Affinity diagram, Empathy mapping, Entities positioning map, ERAF System Diagram etc. in a range of situations. 5. Have the ability to translate research findings into design proposals. | | | |

Course Contents:

| Descriptors/Topics | CLO | Hours |
|---|--------------|-----------|
| UNIT I | | |
| Research process and scope : types (Primary & Secondary and Qualitative & Quantitative) of research, sampling methods, user profiling etc. as well as various research tools and methods (excluding observation, visual ethnography, observations etc.). | CLO 1 | 6 |
| UNIT II | | |
| Tools of research : brainstorming, surveys, interviews, experiment design, etc., | CLO 2 | 6 |
| UNIT III | | |
| Research analysis : Analysis techniques of insights and patterns from the collected data and information, Validation of Data , Writing research report, Format of the report, Style of referencing, Bibliography | CLO 3 | 6 |
| UNIT IV | | |
| Preparing research proposals: Selection of the topic, Review of literature, Identifying Objectives of the Study, preparing Research Questions, Hypothesis formation | CLO 4 | 6 |
| UNIT V | | |
| Issues in Research : Research Ethics, Plagiarism, software to detect plagiarism | CLO 5 | 6 |
| Total | | 30 |

Learning resources**Reference Books:**

- Design Research: Methods and Perspectives (The MIT Press) Hardcover - 2003 by Brenda Laurel
- Design Research Now: Essays and Selected Projects (1st edition) 2007 - By Ralf Michel, Hochschule fur Gestaltung und Kunst, Basel, Switzerland

Online Resources/E-Learning Resources

- <https://www.inderscienceonline.com/journal/jdr>
- 3 Kinds of Design Research: Research for / into / through Design - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7niJ2a6HTBo>