

DEACTIVATION OF MASTER OF ARTS IN INTERACTION DESIGN GRADUATE PROGRAM

- WHEREAS, the program is nearing the end of the five-year probationary period, and
- WHEREAS, the program includes cross-listed courses with the recently deactivated Master of Science in Entrepreneurship and Design, resulting in a significant loss of enrollment in program courses, and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Art and Design is unable to competitively attract students to the program without the ability to offer scholarships and tuition remission to prospective students, and
- WHEREAS, the value proposition to prospective students of a one-year professional masters degree in this discipline is not a strong enough attractor without significant industry relationships, and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Art and Design's faculty research and teaching is not aligned with the program curriculum, and
- WHEREAS, the Department of Art and Design intends to re-evaluate the value of a design-oriented graduate degree in light of the current economic conditions and to be strategic in considering a future program proposal, be it therefore
- RESOLVED, that the Master of Arts in Interaction Design graduate program be deactivated.