Programs of Study

Interior Design
This program is an accredited, collaborative studio-based curriculum grounded in architecture with an emphasis on design process, 3D modeling, creative thinking and the professional practice of interior design. Students learn to address the needs of clients and the public through the design of commercial, institutional, recreational and residential projects.

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CAREERS

FIDER (Foundation for Interior Design Education and Research) accredits the interior design curriculum. Graduation from a FIDER-accredited program is a requirement for registration or licensure to become a practicing professional interior designer in most states. Interior designers usually work with other interior designers, architects and other creative and technical consultants. Designers have a variety of specialized career options:

- Space planning/commercial interiors
- Workplace strategies
- Hospitality design
- Product/furniture design
- Health care/assisted living design
- Facilities management
- Project management
- Aviation design
- Institutional design
- Lighting/set design
- Historic preservation
- Computer visualization
- Retail/sales
- Residential design.

REQUIREMENTS

The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Interior Design is a four-year FIDER-accredited professional degree. The minimum number of semester credit hours required for the degree, including core curriculum requirements, is 132. Students are advised to complete the B.S. in Interior Design degree coursework in the order indicated within the Recommended Curriculum issued by the College of Architecture for their catalog year.

A. 93 semester credit hours in the major passed with a grade of C or better in each course (ARC 1413 and ARC 2413 may also be used to satisfy core curriculum requirements)

1. 39 semester credit hours of required lower-division architecture and interior design courses
   - ARC 1213 Design I
   - ARC 1223 Design II

2. 54 semester credit hours of required upper-division architecture and interior design courses
   - ARC 2413 History of Architecture: Antiquity through Medieval
   - ARC 2423 History of Architecture: Renaissance through Nineteenth Century
   - ARC 2513 Introduction to Digital Design Media
   - IDE 2143 Interior Materials and Assemblies I

B. 3 semester credit hours of electives

Information gathered from the 2006–2008 undergraduate catalog.

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