

INTERIOR DESIGN

PROGRAM OVERVIEW FOR EMPLOYERS

Interior design is the creative integration of form, materials, function and aesthetics within interior space. Students develop an understanding of, and sensitivity to, history, future technology, environment, economics, architecture and societal needs by exploring projects that develop aesthetic understanding, technical proficiencies and preparation for professional certification and licensing. RIT's School of Design was listed in BusinessWeek Magazine as one of the top 60 design schools world-wide.

Degree(s) Awarded

Bachelor of Fine Arts

Enrollment

Approximately 74 interior design students

Experiential Education Component

Cooperative education (paid full-time work lasting 10 weeks) is an option for all students in the interior design program. Students are typically available to co-op summer quarter. Internships participating in internship experience is also an option and offers students increased awareness of the profession.

Salary Information (Avg/Range)

Co-op: Insufficient Data

BFA: \$35,850 \$31,000 - \$45,000

Equipment & Facilities

Studios are provided for each class level. Juniors and Seniors have dedicated individual space. A reference library, model shop, media center, photographic equipment, slide scanning and color computer output.

Specific computer labs are equipped with Macintosh and PC systems. Software includes: AutoCAD, InDesign, VectorWorks, FormZ, Alias, Photoshop, Illustrator, FreeHand, Director, Sound Edit, Fractal Painter, Hypercard, and others.

Accreditation

Foundation for Interior Design Education Research.
National Association of Schools of Art & Design &
Council for Interior Design Accreditation

Student Skills & Capabilities

- The Interior Design curriculum provides an understanding of three-dimensional concepts as they relate to space, function, and aesthetic resolution.
- Practical design projects develop aesthetic understanding, technical abilities, sensitivity to human needs and awareness of the social consequences of the designer's effort. Much of the student work involves team interaction which results in excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- Skills include sketching, drafting, computer drafting (AutoCAD), model making, and perspective rendering
- Presentation Skills

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Course Sequence BFA degree

First Year Foundation Studies:

Freshman Electives
Vector Imaging
Raster Imaging
Creative Sources
Drawing
2D Design
3D Design
Design Survey
Liberal Arts
First-Year Enrichment

Third Year

History of Architecture and Furniture
Hospitality Design
Application of Color & Light
Retail Design
Building Construction Systems
Office Design & Planning
Interior Specifications
Studio Electives
Liberal Arts

Second Year

Survey of Western Art and Architecture
Architectural Drawing
Perspective Drawing
Introduction to Interior Design
Computer-Aided Design Applications
Model Building and Human Dimension
Studio Electives
Liberal Arts

Fourth Year

Multipurpose/Multistory Design
Building Codes & Regulations
Environmental Control Application
Healthcare Design
Interior Design Business Practices
Career Planning
Working Drawings
Special Projects
Open Elective

Employers of Interior Design Co-op/Internships and Graduating Students:

ADD, Inc., Arhaus Furniture, Bausch & Lomb, Botticelli and Pohl Architects, Clark Patterson Lee, Daroff Design Inc., Design Logic Associates Inc., Eastman Kodak Co., General Electric, Group Goetz Architects, Grubb & Ellis Company, HOK, Hunt Engineers, Architects & Land Surveyors, IA (NY, Dallas, LA), Kelly Architects, Marriott International, MTV Networks, Paychex, Sedgwick Business Interiors, Spiral Associates, Starbucks, SWBR Architects & Engineers, Syracuse Office Environments, Syracuse University, The Cannon Partnership, The Hillier Group, Vargus and Associates, Wegmans

Contact Us:

We appreciate your interest in hiring RIT co-op, graduating students or alumni. We will make every effort to make your recruiting endeavor a success. Call our office and ask to speak with Gretchen Burruto, the program coordinator who works with the Interior Design program. For your convenience, you can access information and services through our web site at <http://www.rit.edu/recruit>.

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