

ACADEMIC ROADMAP

BFA INTERIOR DESIGN

2026

Freshman Year (30 credits)

FIRST SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Introduction to Interior Design	IDE 101	None
Spatial Concepts of Interior Design	IDE 104 (offered fall only)	Co-requisite AAD 104
Digital Presentations Methods	AAD 104	None
<i>College Writing I</i>	<i>CWP 101* (GE Comm.)</i>	
<i>Mathematics & Quantitative Reasoning</i>	<i>GE Math</i>	

SECOND SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Mechanical & Perspective Drawing	IDE 151 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisites IDE 104 Co-requisite IDE 152
Rapid Ideation & Visualization	IDE 152 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisites IDE 104 Co-requisite IDE 151
Introduction to Digital Design & Fabrication	AAD 105	None
<i>Augmentation and Research</i>	<i>CWP 102* (GE Comm.)</i>	<i>CWP101</i>
	<i>GE Nat. Sci. & Scientific Reasoning</i>	

Notes and recommendations:

Attend at least one faculty office hour; visit Academic Commons (Math & Writing Centers, tutoring); view your degree audit sheet in Degree Works. All interior design courses are to be taken in sequence with mandatory academic advisement.

Sophomore Year (60 credits)

THIRD SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Interior Design I	IDE 201 (offered fall only)	Pre-requisite IDE 151, IDE 152, AAD 105, minimum cumulative GPA of 2.6
Computer Applications for Interior Design I	IDE 302 (offered fall only)	
History of Interior Design & Architecture I or Building Materials – Selection, Specifications, and Estimating	IDE 205 (offered biennially, fall) or IDE 204 (offered biennially, fall)	None None
	<i>GE Hum.</i>	
	<i>GE Nat. Sci. & Scientific Reasoning</i>	

FOURTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Interior Design II	IDE 251 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisite IDE 201
Computer Applications for Interior Design II	IDE 352 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisite IDE 303
History of Interior Design & Architecture I Or Evidence Based Design	IDE 358 (offered biennially, spring) or IDE 206 (offered biennially, spring)	None None
Construction Documentation & Interior Detailing	IDE 303 (offered biennially, spring)	Pre-requisite IDE 151
	<i>GE World Languages</i>	

Junior Year (90 credits)

FIFTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Interior Design III	IDE 301 (offered biennially, fall)	Pre-requisite IDE 251
or	or	
Interior Design V	IDE 401(offered biennially, fall)	Pre-requisite IDE 251
Building Materials – Selection, Specifications, and Estimating or History of Interior Design & Architecture I	IDE 204 (offered biennially) IDE 205 (offered biennially, fall)	None None
Lighting Design	IDE 355 (offered biennially)	Pre-requisite IDE 302
Or	or	
Professional Practice	IDE 403 (offered biennially, fall)	None
	<i>GE US Hist.,</i>	
	<i>GE Div (Upper division only)</i>	

SIXTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Interior Design IV	IDE 351 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisite IDE 251
Evidence Based Design or History of Interior Design & Architecture	IDE 206 (offered biennially, spring) or IDE 358 (offered biennially, spring)	None None
Construction Documentation & Interior Detailing	IDE 303 (offered biennially, spring)	Pre-requisite IDE 151
	<i>GE Soc. Sci.</i>	
	<i>Elective</i>	

Notes and recommendations:

Visit the Career & Professional Education Center to discuss appropriate career options.

Senior Year (120 credits)

SEVENTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Interior Design V	IDE 401 (offered biennially, fall)	Pre-requisite IDE 251
or	or	
Interior Design III	IDE 301 (offered biennially, fall)	Pre-requisite IDE 251
Professional Practice	IDE 403 (offered biennially, fall)	None
or	or	
Lighting Design	IDE 355 (offered biennially, fall)	Pre-requisite IDE 302
Interior Design Thesis Research	IDE 404 (offered fall only)	Pre-requisite IDE 351
	<i>Elective</i>	
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EIGHTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Interior Design Thesis Studio	IDE 451 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisite IDE 401
Interior Design Internship	IDE 488 (offered spring only)	Pre-requisite IDE 302
	<i>Elective</i>	
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Notes and recommendations:

Apply for graduation; apply to graduate school, if applicable; visit the Career Development Center to have your resume reviewed

B.F.A. concentration requirements total 66 credits. The course sequence may be subject to change.

*General Education (GE) courses, **3XX or 4XX UL refers to an upper-level course. 45 UL credits needed.

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