



Interior Planning and Design A.A. Degree

FULL TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

GE Pattern: local AA/AS

Total Units: 60

Start Term: Fall

First Year

Semester 1 (Fall)

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	IDES 300 Fundamentals of Interior Design	3		
Req	IDES 310 History of Interior Architecture and Furnishings I	3		
Req	IDES 330 Beginning Interior Design Studio	3		
RE	ART 300 Drawing and Composition I	3		L3
GE	MATH 300 Introduction to Mathematical Ideas	3		L2

Semester 2 (Spring)

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
RE	DESIGN 301 Introduction to Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD)	3		
Req	IDES 312 History of Interior Architecture and Furnishings II	3		
Req	IDES 322 Materials of Interior Design	3		
Req	IDES 326 Interior Design Sales	3		
GE	ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing or	3		L1A
	ENGL C1000H ^H Academic Reading and Writing - Honors	3		

Second Year

Semester 3 (Fall)

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	IDES 324 Interior Design Business Practices	3		

CAREER PATH

Career Options:

The field of interior design offers a variety of career options, including residential design by itself, or with a specialty such as universal design, green/sustainable, smart-home, home office, and home theater design.

It also offers commercial design, which can include ADA compliance, hospitality design, set design, and contract space planning.

Advising Notes:

- This degree can be completed using either the local AA/AS general education (GE) pattern or the Cal-G ETC transfer GE pattern. See a counselor to determine which pattern is best for you based on your academic goals.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly known as ENGWR 300/480).

Scheduling Notes:

- IDES 310, 324, and 332 are offered in the fall.
- IDES 312, 334, 350, and 351 are offered in the spring.

Other Notes:

- This degree can be started in the spring as well. See a counselor to adjust the course work.
- An internship (WEXP 498) is required as it opens up potential employment opportunities. Students can earn at least 1 unit for related paid or unpaid work

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	IDES 332 Portfolio and Presentation in Interior Design	3	IDES 330	
RE	DESGN 320 Three Dimensional Graphics and Design	3		
GE	any Area L1B (Oral Communication & Critical Thinking) course	3		L1B
GE	any Area L5 (Natural Sciences) course	3		L5

Semester 4 (Spring)

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	UNIT	PREREQUISITES	GE AREA
Req	IDES 334 Interior Environment and Space Planning	3	IDES 330	
Req	IDES 350 Codes and Universal Access for Interior Design	2		
Req	IDES 351 Codes and Universal Access Lab	1	IDES 330	
Req	WEXP 498 ¹ Work Experience in (Subject)	2		L7B
GE	any Area L4 (Social & Behavioral Sciences) course	3		L4
GE	any Area L6 (Ethnic Studies) course	3		L6
GE	any Area L7A (Physical Education) course	1		L7A

¹ Only 1 unit of WEXP 498 is required in the major, but 2 units are required to fulfill GE area L7B.

^H honors courses

experience including volunteer and internship positions through WEXP 498. This course also works toward satisfying GE Area L7B. See the [Work Experience website](#) for more information.

- By the end of the third semester, students qualify for the **Interior Retail Merchandising certificate**.

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement