# 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:** 2026-27

**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<br>Fundamentals of Interior Design | 3 | | |
| Req | IDES 310<br>History of Interior Architecture and Furnishings I | 3 | | |
| Req | IDES 330<br>Beginning Interior Design Studio | 3 | | |
| RE | ART 300<br>Drawing and Composition I | 3 | | L3 |
| GE | MATH 300<br>Introduction to Mathematical Ideas | 3 | | L2 |

### Semester 2 (Spring) — 15 Units

| CAT. | COURSE | UNIT | PREREQUISITES | GE AREA |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| RE | DESGN 301<br>Introduction to Computer Aided Drafting and Design (CADD) | 3 | | |
| Req | IDES 312<br>History of Interior Architecture and Furnishings II | 3 | | |
| Req | IDES 322<br>Materials of Interior Design | 3 | | |
| Req | IDES 326<br>Interior Design Sales | 3 | | |
| GE | ENGL C1000<br>College Composition **or**<br>ENGL C1000H[H]<br>Honors College Composition | 3<br><br>3 | | L1A |

## 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-GETC transfer GE pattern. See a counselor to determine which pattern is best for you based on your academic goals.
- This map is designed for students who are able to take 12 units or more each semester, which is considered a full-time load. It shows one possible way to finish the program in two years. See a counselor to adjust the coursework to meet your specific needs.
- Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGL C1000/C1000H (formerly known as ENGWR 300/480).

### Scheduling Notes:

## Second Year

### Semester 3 (Fall) — 15 Units

| CAT. | COURSE | UNIT | PREREQUISITES | GE AREA |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Req | IDES 324<br>Interior Design Business Practices | 3 | | |
| Req | IDES 332<br>Portfolio and Presentation in Interior Design | 3 | IDES 330 | |
| RE | DESGN 320<br>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<br>Interior Environment and Space Planning | 3 | IDES 330 | |
| Req | IDES 350<br>Codes and Universal Access for Interior Design | 2 | | |
| Req | IDES 351<br>Codes and Universal Access Lab | 1 | IDES 330 | |
| Req | WEXP 498[1]<br>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

| 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 |

- 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 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 | | |
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| 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 |

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