



# Interior Design Program Description

A Bachelor of Science degree in Interior Design is a first-professional degree program with a four-year sequence which consists of 78 semester hours, which includes 12 s.h. of introductory coursework: INT 1001, 1002, 1100, and 1300 [Note: Freshman Portfolio Review must be successfully completed before 2000-4000 level courses may be taken]; 53 s.h. of advanced coursework: INT 2001, 2100, 2110, 2200, 2300, 2310, 2400, 3001, 3100, 3110, 3200, 3320, 3400, 4100, 4110, 4300, 4320, 4330, 4400, 4900 [4 s.h.] and 13 s.h. of interdisciplinary coursework: TEC 2708, TEC 2718, TEC 4667, 3 s.h. of approved electives [see the interior design program coordinator for a current list of approved electives], and 3 s.h. of any TEC/GRA elective[s]. A minimum grade of "C" [2.0] is required in each major course. Three semester hours of free electives outside the major discipline are required. [No minor is required]. A laptop computer and digital camera are required of all majors [see program coordinator for specifications].

## Freshman Portfolio Review

To support the professional orientation of the interior design major and to assist the student in an appropriate career choice, all interior design students must participate in the Freshman Portfolio Review for admittance into the upper-level courses and to complete the interior design curriculum.

A. Interior design students will complete the following sequence of courses for the interior design major before the Freshman Portfolio Review:

INT 1001 Visual Literacy I

INT 1002 Visual Literacy II

INT 1100 Interior Design Studio I

INT 1300 Introduction to Interior Design

B. At the completion of the courses, students will be asked to present a portfolio to the interior design faculty. The portfolio will include:

1. Selected examples from the above classes and other work deemed appropriate for the presentation.
2. A career goal statement plus individual evaluation of strengths and areas needing improvement by the student. Only students who have passed the Freshman Portfolio Review will be admitted to the upper-level courses [2000- 4000] of the interior design curriculum.

Freshman Portfolio Reviews will occur at the end of the Spring Semester.

C. Students who do not pass the Freshman Portfolio Review will be required to pursue one or more of several steps before reapplying to present the Freshman Portfolio:

1. Consult with interior design faculty to determine a plan for improvement of student's work.
2. Take action identified in the consultation to build skills and knowledge, thus creating work for resubmission.
3. Redo the portfolio and reapply for the review procedure. Students may resubmit to the next Freshman Portfolio Review ONE TIME ONLY.
3. Consider a related major or field.

D. All transfer students who wish to be admitted into the upper-level [2000-4000] Interior Design courses at Appalachian State University must complete either the Freshman Portfolio Review or the Transfer Portfolio Review. To be considered for transfer credit for any INT course a portfolio of all work must be submitted and received prior to Reading Day of the Fall or Spring Semester prior to entering Appalachian State University. Without significant transfer credit in interior design courses,