

Interior Design (BSID)

As a four-year professional degree, the Bachelor of Science in Interior Design (BSID) is a rigorous design-oriented curriculum with a strong theoretical basis to integrate creative problem-solving skills with an understanding of the aesthetic, technological, and behavioral aspects of design.

Total Hours Required: 126

Plan of Study

The Plan of Study is a suggested four-year course sequence to support academic planning and serves as a helpful guide. Currently enrolled students should meet with their academic advisor to tailor their course selections and timelines to their individual goals and circumstances.

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
Semester 1		
ARI 310K	Design I	3
ARI 311K	Visual Communication I	3
ARI 318K	Interiors and Society	3
<u>Mathematics (020)</u>		3
<u>First-Year Signature Course (090)</u>		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
ARI 310L	Design II	3
ARI 311L	Visual Communication II	3
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing	3
<u>Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)</u>		3
PSY 301	Introduction to Psychology	3
Hours		15
Year 2		
Semester 1		
ARI 320K	Design III–Interiors	3
ARI 221K	Visual Communication III	2
ARI 434J	Construction I	4
ARC 318L	World Architecture: The Industrial Revolution to the Present	3
<u>Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)</u>		3
Hours		15
Semester 2		
ARI 520L	Design IV–Interiors	5
ARI 434K	Construction II–Interior Materials and Assemblies	4
ARI 318M	Interior Design History	3
<u>American and Texas Government (070)</u>		3
Hours		15
Year 3		
Semester 1		
ARI 530K	Design V–Interiors	5
ARI 324K	Environmental Controls I	3
ARI 368R	Interior Design History II	3
ARI 338	Designing for Human Behavior	3
<u>U.S. History (060)</u>		3
Hours		17
Semester 2		
ARI 530T	Design VI–Interiors	5
ARI 333L	Environmental Controls II	3
ARI 362	Interior Design Practice	3
<u>Humanities (040)</u>		3
Free Elective		4
Hours		18

Year 4		
Semester 1		
ARI 560E	Advanced Design Studio	5
Hours chosen from:		3
ARC 342R	Topics in the History of Architecture	
ARC 342C	Mexican Architecture and Urbanism: From Pre-Columbian to Contemporary	
ARC 342E	History and Theories of Landscape Architecture I	
ARC 342F	History and Theories of Landscape Architecture II	
ARC 342S	Modern European Architecture	
ARC 342T	Advanced Architecture History	
ARC 342U	Modern History of Sustainable Architecture	
<u>Natural Science and Technology, Part II (093)</u>		3
<u>U.S. History (060)</u>		3
Free Elective		3
Hours		17
Semester 2		
ARI 560E	Advanced Design Studio	5
ARI 350R	Topics in Interior Design Theory	3
<u>American and Texas Government (070)</u>		3
Hours chosen from: ARH		3
Hours		14
Total Hours		126

Requirements

All requirements are listed below, starting with the most specialized moving to the most general. Additional requirements may follow the table, so be sure to read the entire page. Some required courses listed below may also satisfy [General Education](#) requirements, including [Core Curriculum](#).

Code	Title	Hours
Degree		
Design:		
ARI 310K	Design I	3
ARI 310L	Design II	3
ARI 320K	Design III–Interiors	3
ARI 520L	Design IV–Interiors	5
ARI 530K	Design V–Interiors	5
ARI 530T	Design VI–Interiors	5
Hours chosen from:		10
ARI 560E	Advanced Design Studio (may be taken twice)	
ARC 561E	Advanced Design Studio (may be taken twice)	
ARC X62E	Advanced Design Professional Residency Program Internship	
ARC 578S	Bachelor Design Study, Part II	
Visual Communication:		
ARI 311K	Visual Communication I	3
ARI 311L	Visual Communication II	3
ARI 221K	Visual Communication III	2
Design Theory:		
ARI 350R	Topics in Interior Design Theory	3
or ARC 327R	Topics in Architectural Theory	
Interior Building Systems and Construction:		
ARI 434J	Construction I	4
ARI 434K	Construction II–Interior Materials and Assemblies	4
Professional Practice:		
ARI 362	Interior Design Practice	3
History:		
ARI 318K	Interiors and Society	3

ARI 318M	Interior Design History	3
ARI 368R	Interior Design History II	3
ARC 342R	Topics in the History of Architecture (All ARC 342 courses in the series ARC 342C-W may count)	3
Environmental Controls:		
ARI 324K	Environmental Controls I	3
ARI 333L	Environmental Controls II	3
Human Behavior:		
ARI 338	Designing for Human Behavior	3
Professional Internship:		
ARI 130	Interior Design Internship	1
Additional Coursework		
PSY 301	Introduction to Psychology (may also be counted towards Core curriculum <u>Social and Behavioral Sciences (080)</u> requirement)	3
ARC 318L	World Architecture: The Industrial Revolution to the Present (may also be counted towards Core curriculum <u>Visual and Performing Arts (050)</u> requirement)	3
Hours chosen from: Art History		3
<i>Subtotal</i>		<i>87</i>
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.		6
<i>Subtotal</i>		<i>6</i>
<u>General Education</u>		
<u>Remaining Core Curriculum (42 hours total)</u>		33
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Beginning Proficiency</u>		
<i>Subtotal</i>		<i>33</i>
<u>College Requirements - Architecture</u>		
<u>General University Requirements</u>		
Total Hours		126

Portfolio Review Requirement

Interior Design:

Upon completing ARI X30K Design V–Interiors students are required to submit a portfolio that summarizes the work completed in all the previous design and visual communication courses. A satisfactory portfolio review is required for enrollment in ARI X30T Design VI–Interiors. Guidelines for submission of the portfolio, including deadline, are available from the Undergraduate Office.

A successful completion of the ARI 530T Design VI–Interiors studio, along with the completion of a follow-up portfolio consultation with the reviewing committee, are required for entry into ARI 560E Advanced Design Studio. The portfolio provides critical information to the reviewing committee in evaluating the students' progress toward the degree. The reviewing committee, at its discretion, may require the student to complete additional work, including courses prior to or after registering for advanced studios.