

Degree: Associate of Applied Science

Degree: Bachelor of Fine Arts

Concentration: Interior Design

Major: Interior Architecture

Credits completed at COD: 71

Credits at Columbia College Chicago: 57

In Columbia College Chicago's Interior Architecture program, you'll develop a professional portfolio and a skill set that will prepare you to design interior space. Our program integrates the worlds of manual and digital project work, and the conceptual with the practical. You'll develop an understanding of the creative design process, including research and analysis as well as how to design spaces for safety, functionality, and aesthetics. Learn more at colum.edu/academics.

College of DuPage courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago equivalents
INTER 1110 Introduction to Interior Design	3	INTA 121 Manual Drafting
INTER 1125 Sustainable Design	3	Collegewide Elective*
INTER 1135 Visualization Techniques	3	ARTS 199 Foundation Skill: x3
INTER 1150 History of Interior Design	3	INTA 201 Design History: Spaces + Objects
INTER 1212 Computer-Aided Interior Design I	3	INTA 131 Digital Media for InArch I
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	

College of DuPage courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago equivalents
INTER 1170 Environmental Materials and Applications	3	See INTER 2430 below
INTER 2110 Studio Foundation	3	INTA 251 InArch: Introductory Studio
INTER 2212 Computer-Aided Interior Design II (Tech)	3	INTA 240 Construction Documents I
INTER 2220 Interior Systems and Details	3	INTA 370 Construction Methods for InArch
INTER 2311 Lighting I	3	INTA 210 Lighting for InArch
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	

College of DuPage courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago equivalents
INTER 1190 Interior Design Codes and Standards	3	INTA 220 Building Codes for InArch
IAI Mathematics Course	3	Mathematics course
Total Semester Credit Hours	6	

College of DuPage courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago equivalents
ENGLI 1101 English Composition I	3	ENGL 111 Writing and Composition I
INTER 2120 Furniture Specification and Budgets	2	Collegewide Elective*
INTER 2410 Residential Design Studio (Studio Elective)	3	Collegewide Elective*
INTER 2430 Contract Studio (Studio Elective)	3	With INTER 1170 = INTA 252 InArch: Surface Manipulation Studio
IAI Social and Behavioral Science course	3	Social Science course
Total Semester Credit Hours	14	

College of DuPage courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago equivalents
INTER 2440 Office Design Studio (Studio Elective)	3	INTA 318 InArch: Corporate Studio
INTER 2680 Professional Practice and Ethics	3	INTA 415 Professional Practices in InArch
Design Elective	3	Collegewide Elective*
IAI Physical or Life Science course with lab	4	Science course with lab
IAI Humanities course	3	Humanities course
Total Semester Credit Hours	16	

College of DuPage courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago equivalents
INTER 2710 Portfolio Review	2	DSGN 350 Portfolio
IAI Speech course	3	Meets IAI Speech Requirement
Total Semester Credit Hours	5	

Completion of AAS Degree: 71 credit hours

COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO COURSES

5th Semester Courses

ARTS 105 Foundation Studio	Credits	3
ENGL 112 Writing and Composition II		3
INTA 115 Textiles for InArch		1
INTA 231 Digital Media for InArch II		3
200-Level Humanities course		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		13

6th Semester Courses

INTA 232 Digital Media for InArch III	Credits	3
INTA 324 InArch: Narrative Studio		4
INTA 372 Building Systems for InArch		3
Innovation and Impact course (Columbia Experience)		3
Collegewide Elective		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		16

7th Semester Courses

INTA 340 Construction Documents II	Credits	2
INTA 410 Research Methods for InArch		2
INTA 420 Portfolio Development for InArch		1
INTA 426 InArch: Detail Studio		4
Science course		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		12

8th Semester Courses

COLL 411 Internship	Credits	1
INTA 435 InArch: Final Studio		6
200-Level Social Science		3
Humanities course with DEI designation		3
Social Science course		3
Total Semester Credit Hours		16

Completion of BFA Degree: 128 credit hours

Internships and Careers

Companies employing Columbia interns have consistently been pleased with our students' approach to projects and the skills and abilities brought to bear in project development. Faculty connections lead to many internship opportunities, and listings are shared through the department's social media; there are typically more internship opportunities than available interns.

- **RGLA**, one of the top 15 retail design firms in America
- **Perkins + Will Global**, an award-winning firm known for its legacy of design excellence
- **GREC Architects**, a firm that is known for its collaborative team environment
- **Designs 4 Dignity**, a pro-bono firm that uses donated materials to transform nonprofit spaces

Alumni Highlights

- **Jordyn Hunter '16** is design and logistics coordinator at Designs For Dignity, a Chicago-based firm that works with nonprofits to provide pro-bono design solutions.
- **Brian Wiley '16** is a lighting designer at Schuler Shook, a firm specializing in theatre and architectural lighting projects such as the Chicago Riverwalk and Hyatt's global headquarters.
- **Kelai Diebel '12** is design manager at MOSS, an Amsterdam-based sustainable design firm specializing on rooftop landscapes, greenhouses, and urban farming concepts.
- **Michael Bonomo '99** is principal and director of global workplace for CannonDesign, a global design firm that unites architects, engineers, industry experts, and builders around the world.
- **Chris Bennett '09** is a design team member at Studio Gang Architects, legendary architect Jeanne Gang's studio, where he works on urban design practice.

In order to be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA), all applicants following this guide are required to earn a minimum grade of B or higher in all INTER courses at COD. Please contact transfer@colum.edu with any questions.

Students who complete the AAS (as outlined within this guide) would be waived from the following major requirements: ARTH 105 Introduction to Visual Culture, ARTS 120 Foundation Skill: Color Theory, ARTS 210 Drawing I, DSGN 110 Design Thinking, INTA 105 Human Dimensions in InArch, and INTA 111 Contemporary Practice: InArch.

Columbia College Chicago participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI). Students who complete the AAS degree prior to transferring to Columbia College Chicago have the choice of completing the IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) at Columbia or the Columbia Core Curriculum. Students will work with their Columbia advisor on the best course of action. Additionally, all degree-seeking Columbia students are required to complete 9 credit hours of 200-level (or higher) coursework, Columbia Experience courses as indicated, as well as at least 6 credit hours of courses with a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation to meet graduation requirements.

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