

BACHELOR OF ARTS, MAJOR IN INTERIOR DESIGN

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Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Arts, Major in Interior Design		
Core Curriculum (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/)		
Component Area I (Communications)		6
Component Area II (Mathematics)		3
Component Area III (Life and Physical Science)		8
Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture) ¹		3
Component Area V (Creative Arts)		3
Component Area VI (U.S. History)		6
Component Area VII (Political Science/Government)		6
Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Sciences) ²		3
Component Area IX (Component Area Option) ³		4
Degree Specific Requirements		
Foreign Language: WOLC 1411, WOLC 1412 (same field)		8
COMS 3370 or ETSM 4335	Intercultural Communication Human Factors & Ergonomics	3
KINE 2115	Lifetime Health and Wellness ³	1
PHIL 2303	Critical Thinking ²	3
WOLC 2311	Intermediate Foreign Language ¹	3
Major: Foundation		
ARTS 1316	Drawing	3
INDS 1140	Introduction to Interior Design	1
INDS 1360	Applied Design Theory	3
Major: Required		
HUSC 4369	Internship	3
INDS 2361	History of Furnishings I	3
INDS 2364	Materials and Sources	3
INDS 2365	Digital Drawing for Interior Design	3
INDS 2386	Studio I: Space Planning	3
INDS 2387	Architectural Graphics for Interiors	3
INDS 2388	Building Systems for Interiors	3
INDS 3332	Lighting Design for Interiors	3
INDS 3337	Studio III: Design Process	3
INDS 3338	Studio II: Residential Design	3
INDS 3360	Interior Design Profession Practice & Procedure	3
INDS 3361	History of Furnishings II	3
INDS 3365	Digital Drawing for Interior Design II	3
INDS 3377	Interior Codes & Standards	3
INDS 4330	Studio IV: Commercial Design I	3
INDS 4331	Studio V: Commercial Design II	3
Major: Prescribed Electives		
ARTS 3385	Art History Survey II	3
ARTS 4384 or ARTS 4385 or ARTS 3383	Modern Art Before 1945 Art Since 1945 Design History	3
ETCM 3372	Construction Drafting ⁴	3
ETDD 2363	Architectural Design	3

Electives: General**Minor: Not Required** ^{5,6}**Total Hours****120**

- ¹ Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IV (Language, Philosophy, and Culture). Options include ARAB 2311, FREN 2311, GERM 2311, SGNL 2311, and SPAN 2311.
- ² Satisfies Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area VIII (Social and Behavioral Science).
- ³ Satisfies one hour of the Core Curriculum requirement for Component Area IX (Component Area Option).
- ⁴ ETCM department waives prerequisites for Interior Design majors.
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The Interior Design specific courses (INDS designation) are only offered once per academic year, in either Fall or Spring, as noted in the plan of study with the exception of INDS 1360.

INDS 1140 is a prerequisite for INDS 1360.

INDS 1360 is a prerequisite for INDS 2386.

INDS 2364, INDS 2386, and INDS 2387 should be taken concurrently.

INDS 1360 or INDS 2364 is a prerequisite for ETDD 2363.

INDS 2365, INDS 2388, ETDD 2363, and ARTS 1316 are prerequisites for INDS 3338.

ARTS 3385 is a prerequisite for ARTS 3383, ARTS 4384, and ARTS 4385.

A passing sophomore portfolio review is required along with departmental approval prior to taking INDS 3338.

HUSC 4369 requires departmental approval and the completion of 90 hours.

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First Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area III (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)		4 Component Area III (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaiii)	4
ARTS 1316		3 Component Area II (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaii)	3
ENGL 1301 ¹		3 ENGL 1302 ¹	3
HSTY 1301 ²		3 HSTY 1302 ²	3
INDS 1140		1 INDS 1360	3

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Second Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Component Area IX (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareaix)		3 Component Area V (https://catalog.shsu.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/degree-requirements-academic-guidelines/core-curriculum/#componentareav)	3
INDS 2364		3 ETDD 2363	3
INDS 2386		3 INDS 2361	3
INDS 2387		3 INDS 2365	3
KINE 2115 ³		1 INDS 2388	3
PHIL 2303 ⁴		3	
		16	15

Third Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
INDS 3332		3 ARTS 3385	3
INDS 3338		3 INDS 3337	3
INDS 3361		3 INDS 3360	3
INDS 3377		3 INDS 3365	3
POLS 2305 ⁵		3 WOLC 1411 (same field)	4
		15	16

Fourth Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
ARTS 4384, 4385, or 3383		3 INDS 4331	3
COMS 3370 or ETSM 4335		3 HUSC 4369	3
ETCM 3372 ⁶		3 POLS 2306 ⁵	3
INDS 4330		3 WOLC 2311 ⁷	3
WOLC 1412 (same field)		4	
		16	12

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The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The BA in Interior Design is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Oral and written communication.
- Technical interior design knowledge.
- Manual and digital drawing.
- Critical thinking and problem solving.
- Application of evidence-based design.