

# INTERIOR DESIGN--PREPROFESSIONAL AREA OF CONCENTRATION, ARTS AND SCIENCES AA

Total Credits: 60

Catalog Edition: 2025-2026

## Program Description

(R): 102

**INTERIOR DESIGN--PREPROFESSIONAL AREA OF CONCENTRATION, ARTS AND SCIENCES AA: 102 IS NO LONGER ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS. ADDITIONALLY, STUDENTS ADMITTED PRIOR TO SPRING 2024 WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GRADUATE WITH THIS CERTIFICATE AFTER FALL 2026. PLEASE REFER TO PREPROFESSIONAL GENERAL AREA OF CONCENTRATION, INTERIOR DESIGN--PREPROFESSIONAL AAS: 306A OR KITCHEN AND BATH DESIGN AREA OF CONCENTRATION, INTERIOR DESIGN--PREPROFESSIONAL AAS: 306C OR CONTACT A [PROGRAM ADVISOR](#).**

Students interested in interior design can earn an AA, an AAS, or a certificate (three certificates are available).

This transfer program offers beginning college-level courses for students who desire to continue study toward an advanced interior design degree. Content offerings will include concentration on general studies and interior design foundations, fundamental design, drawing, color, space planning, finish treatments, and professional business practices for interior designers. Technical development will include basic knowledge of drafting, historical topics, and presentation techniques for interior designers.

## Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Apply design principles and color theory in the execution of interior design projects.
- Identify the correct textiles, materials, finishes, and furniture for specifications.
- Collect and interpret the data necessary to solve interior design problems.

- Demonstrate knowledge of one of the following: historic interiors, art history, or architectural history.
- Apply interior design principles and ethics.
- Execute presentation and construction drawings.
- Demonstrate basic fine art drawing skills.

## Program Advisors

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For more information, please visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/academics/programs/interior-design/interior-design-aa-degree.html>

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# Program Advising Guide

An Academic Reference Tool for Students

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## Suggested Course Sequence

A suggested course sequence for full-time students follows. All students should review this advising guide and consult an advisor.

### First Semester

ENGL 101 - Introduction to College Writing *3 semester hours* \*

ARTT 100 - Introduction to Drawing *3 semester hours* (ARTD)

IDES 101 - Interior Design I *3 semester hours*

IDES 107 - Interiors: Design Principles *3 semester hours*

IDES 110 - Interiors: Technical Drawing and Drafting *3 semester hours*

### Third Semester

ARTT 200 - Art History: Ancient to 1400 *3 semester hours* (GEIR)

IDES 221 - Interior Design: Residential *3 semester hours* ‡‡

Behavioral and Social Sciences Distribution *3 semester hours* (BSSD) \*\*

Humanities Distribution *3 semester hours* (HUMD)

Natural Sciences Distribution *3 semester hours* (NSD)

### Second Semester

English Foundation *3 semester hours* (ENGF)

Mathematics Foundation *3 semester hours* (MATF)

COMM 108 - Foundations of Human Communication *3 semester hours*

OR

COMM 112 - Business and Professional Speech Communication *3 semester hours* (GEIR)

IDES 111 - Interior Design II *3 semester hours* ‡‡

IDES 118 - Interior Design Visualization & Presentation *3 semester hours*

### Fourth Semester

ARTT 201 - Art History: 1400 to Present *3 semester hours*

IDES 222 - Interior Design: Commercial/Contract *3 semester hours* ‡‡

Behavioral and Social Sciences Distribution *3 semester hours* (BSSD) \*\*

Natural Sciences Distribution with Lab *4 semester hours* (NSLD)

Program Elective *2 semester hours* ‡

## Total Credit Hours: 60

\* ENGL 101/ENGL 101A, if needed for ENGL 102/ENGL 103, or elective.

\*\* Behavioral and Social Science Distribution (BSSD) courses must come from different disciplines.

‡ Choose a 200-level IDES course. Students should consult with interior design advisor before selecting the program elective.

AA and AS programs require one global and cultural perspectives (GCP) General Education course.

## Transfer Opportunities

Montgomery College has partnerships with multiple four-year institutions and the tools to help you transfer. To learn more, please visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/transfer> or <http://artsys.usmd.edu>.

## Get Involved at MC!

Employers and Transfer Institutions are looking for experience outside the classroom.

MC Student Clubs and Organizations: <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/life-at-mc/student-life/>

## Related Careers

Some require a Bachelor's degree.

Interior Designer, Set and Exhibit Designer.

## Career Services

Montgomery College offers a range of services to students and alumni to support the career planning process. To learn more, please visit <https://www.montgomerycollege.edu/career>

## Career Coach

A valuable online search tool that will give you the opportunity to explore hundreds of potential careers or job possibilities in Maryland and the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. Get started today on your road to a new future and give it a try. For more information, please visit <https://montgomerycollege.emsicc.com>

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