

Interior Architecture Admission Process

The Interior Architecture program at UW-Madison is a selective admission program with a sequential course sequence. Prospective students must complete Phase 1 courses to be eligible to apply for admission into Phase 2 of the program. The number of students accepted into Phase 2 of the program is limited to 32 spaces. The application process for IA students happens once a year in the spring semester. Students not admitted into Phase 2 of the program may reapply next spring or pursue their parallel plan. For students who apply a second time, they may anticipate extended time to graduation.

Prospective Students	Phase 1 Eligibility	Phase 1 Sequence		Phase 2 Eligibility	Timeline Graduation
		Fall	Spring		
First Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specify major as Interior Architecture on UW-Madison freshman admission application. 	Complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS 120 DS 252 	Complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS 220 (Pre-Req DS 120) DS 501 DS 130 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the Phase II application in April. Phase 1 coursework must be completed or in progress. 	4 Year Sequence
On- Campus Transfer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Declare major as Pre-Interior Architecture. Students must have a 2.75 cumulative GPA. NOTE: Sequencing of major coursework starts in the fall semester. 	Complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS 120 DS 252 	Complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS 220 (Pre-Req DS 120) DS 501 DS 130 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the Phase II application in April. Phase 1 coursework must be completed or in progress. 	After admission into Phase 2, a minimum of 2 years of sequential coursework and a final summer term course.
Off-Campus Transfer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specify major Intent as Interior Architecture on UW-Admissions application. NOTE: Sequencing of major coursework starts in the fall semester. 	Complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS 120 DS 252 	Complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DS 220 (Pre-Req DS 120) DS 501 DS 130 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the Phase II application in April. Phase 1 coursework must be completed or in progress. 	After admission into Phase 2, a minimum of 2 years of sequential coursework and a final summer term course.

- Phase 1 Coursework: DS 120 Design Fundamentals, DS 252 Design Leadership Symposium
DS 220 Design Fundamentals II, DS 130 Introduction to Interior Architecture, DS 501 Visual Communication and Thinking

Categories	Declaration Process	Admission Eligibility
<p>Off-Campus Transfer with Design Coursework</p> <p>Note: This applies to students who have started an undergraduate design program from a recognized institution.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specify major as Interior Architecture on UW-Admissions application. If admitted to the University, submit an electronic portfolio that will be reviewed by the Design Studies Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete application essay and include experiences, personal characteristics that will enrich the department's learning, and career goals. Submit an electronic portfolio that includes coursework from your previous institution. <p>Considerations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Design Studies department accepts a full group of major program students each academic year. It may not be possible to place a transfer student in an existing cohort if no places are available. If not placed directly into Phase 2, students can begin missing Phase 1 coursework and apply to Phase 2 in April. <p>Graduation Timeline:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varied based on when students start the design sequencing courses.