

INTERIOR DECORATING

Program: INDC

Credential: Ontario College Diploma

Delivery: Full-time

Work Integrated Learning: 1 Field Placement

Length: 4 Semesters

Duration: 2 Years

Effective: Fall 2018

Location: Barrie

Description

Interior decorating is the art of creating distinctive interior spaces that respond to functional needs and address aesthetic perceptions. Students focus on the use of space, beautification and furnishing of interiors and the documentation of design concepts resulting in an overall package that conveys a sense of place. Using a variety of formats including lecture, studio and lab, students complete projects to interpret client requirements and create innovative interiors. Students gain professional and entrepreneurial skills for industry and self-employment, as well as real life experience through participation in a field placement in the decorating field.

Career Opportunities

Graduates may find employment with large decorating firms offering a full range of consultancy services, building contractors, real estate agents, retailers, and specialty decorating centres. Students with entrepreneurial skills may become freelance interior decorators. Possible positions include interior decorating consultant, kitchen and bathroom designer, colour consultant, model home/condo finishes specifier, real estate staging consultant, lighting, flooring, furniture, window treatment and paint consultant/specialist/salesperson.

Program Learning Outcomes

The graduate has reliably demonstrated the ability to:

1. analyze the client's needs and goals using research techniques and taking psychological, sociological and physiological needs into consideration;
2. collaborate in the preparation of a design proposal/contract to define the scope of services for the decorating project;
3. analyze existing space conditions and decorating components in order to determine what modifications are required to meet the client's needs;
4. communicate the design concept to the client in verbal and written formats;
5. use a variety of media and rendering techniques to communicate the character of the space;
6. prepare technical documents (i.e. plans, elevations) needed for the implementation of the decorating solution;
7. collaborate with a variety of design and decoration professionals for the implementation of the decoration solution;
8. evaluate the effectiveness of the final decoration solution;
9. develop strategies and plans to implement and maintain a decorating business;
10. prepare a design concept which meets all the criteria (i.e.: historical context, accessibility) of a given decorating project using the creative process;
11. apply basic entrepreneurial strategies to identify and respond to new opportunities;
12. employ environmentally sustainable practices within the profession.

External Recognition

This two-year program is recognized by the Canadian Decorators Association (CDECA).

The Program Progression

Fall Intake

- **Sem 1:** Fall 2018
- **Sem 2:** Winter 2019
- **Sem 3:** Fall 2019
- **Sem 4:** Winter 2020

Articulation

A number of articulation agreements have been negotiated with universities and other institutions across Canada, North America and internationally. These agreements are assessed, revised and updated on a regular basis. Please contact the program co-ordinator for specific details if you are interested in pursuing such an option. Additional information can be found on our website at <http://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/credit-transfer/>

Admission Requirements

OSSD or equivalent with

- Grade 12 English (C or U)

Mature students, non-secondary school applicants (19 years or older), and home school applicants may also be considered for admission. Eligibility may be met by applicants who have taken equivalent courses, upgrading, completed their GED, and equivalency testing. For complete details refer to: www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/policies-procedures/ (<http://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/policies-procedures/>)

Applicants who have taken courses from a recognized and accredited post-secondary institution and/or have relevant life/learning experience may also be considered for admission; refer to the Credit Transfer Centre website for details:

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Graduation Requirements

19 Program Courses
2 Communications Courses
3 General Education Courses
1 Field Placement

Graduation Eligibility

To graduate from this program, the passing weighted average for promotion through each semester, from year to year, and to graduate is 60%. Additionally, a student must attain a minimum of 50% or a letter

grade of P (Pass) or S (Satisfactory) in each course in each semester unless otherwise stated on the course outline.

Program Tracking

Semester 1		Hours
Program Courses		
DRFT 1017	Hand Drafting and Design Technology	42
DRWG 1012	Drawing and Rendering	42
HSTY 2002	Early Design History	42
IDEC 1000	Studio Basics	42
IDEC 1001	Sustainable Materials, Finishes and Furnishings	42
Communications Course		
Select 1 course from the communications list during registration.		42
Hours		252
Semester 2		
Program Courses		
COMP 1055	Computer Aided Drafting	42
IDEC 1002	Interior Decorating Studio	42
IDEC 1004	Global Issues, Materials, Finishes and Furnishings	42
INTD 1008	History of Furniture	42
Communications Course		
Select 1 course from the communications list during registration.		42
General Education Course		
Select 1 course from the general education list during registration.		42
Hours		252
Semester 3		
Program Courses		
COMP 2127	Computer Aided Drafting Intermediate	42
IDEC 2001	Media Presentation Methods	42
IDEC 2002	Interior Decorating Studio Intermediate	42
IDEC 2006	Materials, Finishes, Furnishings, and Accessories Advanced	42
IDEC 2008	Professional Practice	42
IDEC 2009	Applied Studio	42
General Education Course		
Select 1 course from the general education list during registration.		42
Hours		294
Semester 4		
Program Courses		
COMP 2128	Computer Aided Drafting Advanced	42
IDEC 2004	Professional Practice Advanced	42
IDEC 2005	Interior Decorating Studio Advanced	42
MKTG 2025	Selling and Merchandising	42
General Education Course		
Select 1 course from the general education list during registration.		42
Field Placement		
IDEC 2007	Field Placement	98
Hours		308
Total Hours		1106

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