

Faculty of Engineering, the Built Environment and Technology  
School of Architecture

## Interior Design

The role of the Interior Designer is to create interiors with spatial qualities that are habitable for people on all levels of experience: aesthetically, functionally, psychologically and economically. The aim is to achieve comfort and efficiency; spaces that answer to the needs of the client. Therefore, the Interior Designer is concerned with the layout, finishes, details, furnishings and lighting of such spaces in new buildings or as part of refurbishment projects.

### Qualifications Offered

The department offers the following qualifications:

- Diploma in Interior Design (Three years of full-time study)
- Advanced Diploma in Interior Design (One year of full-time study)



## Admission Requirements



Admission is subject to **departmental selection**.

Selection is based on the submission of a creative portfolio of work, comprising drawings and sketches and other creative endeavours, as stipulated by the department. Applicants are required to appear for an interview. More information about the interview and creative portfolio can be found on the departmental website.

### First-year Outline

The following is an outline of the subjects that comprise the curriculum for the first-year Diploma in Interior Design.

Design Studies 1  
Design Technology 1  
Design Theory 2  
Drawing for Design 1  
Presentation 1  
Studio Work 1  
History of Art and Design 1  
Computer Applications 1

### Careers

Employment opportunities exist with interior design firms, architectural practices, furniture manufacturers and suppliers and property developers, or as self-employed consultants.

### Enquiries

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