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Bachelor of Science in Interior Design
Program Viewbook
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Program Overview

The BSc in Interior Design has an emphasis on creativity and problem solving, while building professional competencies such as adaptability, rationality and accountability in design thinking. Through interactive lectures and practical workshops, students are trained to design the interior and exterior aspects of the built environment with focus on creating unique spaces that offer a positive atmosphere for stakeholders and end-users alike, in a safe and environmentally sustainable way.

The objective of this degree is to blend the fundamentals of design and technology with business and entrepreneurship through behavioural, technological, sustainable, and aesthetic exploration. Students learn the theoretical aspects of space and the built environment and apply them practically through internships while they are in their final year. The curriculum supports the professional and multidisciplinary philosophy with students being encouraged to take advantage of the wide variety of courses offered at CUD to foster and develop their interests and talents.

Program Requirements

Program Requirements	Compulsory Cr. Hrs.	Elective Cr. Hrs.	Total Cr. Hrs.
University Requirements (GE Courses)	24	03	27
Program Core Requirements (Core Courses)	41	-	41
Program Major Requirements	54	06	60
Total	119	09	128

University Requirements [General Education Courses - 27 Credits]

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
Compulsory Courses (24 Credits)			
LNG 171-1	English I	None	3
LNG 172 -1	English II	LNG 171 -1	3

Course Code		Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
LNG	173 -1	Professional Communication Skills	LNG 172 -1	3
GED	190	Emirati Studies	None	3
GED	255	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	LNG 172-1	3
MTH	196	Mathematics for Business	None	3
ENT	141	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 1	None	2
ENT	142	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 141	1
ENT	241	Entrepreneurship 1	ENT 142	2
ENT	242	Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 241	1
Elective Courses (03 Credits): Students are required to Select One Course from the following Pool				
GED	110	Modern Art Appreciation	None	3
GED	111	Music Appreciation and Communication	None	3
GED	112	Using Positive Psychology at Work	LNG 172	3
GED	191	Islamic Studies	None	3
GED	196	Communication Skills in Arabic 1	None	3
GED	205	Psychology in Everyday Life	LNG 172	3
GED	272	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	LNG 172	3
GED	324	Ethical Reasoning for Today's World	LNG 172	3

Program Core Requirements [Core Courses - 41 Credits]

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite/ <u>Co-requisite</u>	Cr. Hrs.
DES 101	Studio 1 - Introduction to Design	<u>Co-DES 110 & DES 113</u>	4
DES 102	Studio 2 - Design and The Human	DES 101, DES 110, DES 113 <u>Co-DES 120 & DES 123</u>	4
DES 110	Design Theory	<u>Co-DES 101 & DES 113</u>	3

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite/ <u>Co-requisite</u>	Cr. Hrs.
DES 113	Drafting & Modeling	<u>Co-DES 101 & DES 110</u>	3
DES 120	Human Factors	<u>Co-DES 102 & DES 123</u>	3
DES 123	Freehand Drawing & Rendering	<u>Co-DES 102 & DES 120</u>	3
DES 213	History of Architecture and Interior Design 1	LNG 171-1, DES 110	3
DES 214	Computer-Aided Design	DES 113	3
DES 223	History of Architecture and Interior Design 2	DES 213	3
DES 400	Internship	90 Cr. Hrs. & CGPA $\geq$ 2	3
DES 361	Working Drawings and Detailing	ARC 244/IND 211, ARC 301/IND 301	3
DES 381	Artificial Intelligence for Design Applications	DES 214	3
DES 382	Data Analytics in the Built Environment	MTH 112 or MTH 196, DES 214	3

Program Major Requirements [60 Credits]

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
Compulsory Courses (54 Credits)			
IND 201	Studio 3 - Interior Design and Materiality	DES 102, DES 120, DES 123	6
IND 202	Studio 4 - Residential Design	IND 201	6
IND 211	Materiality and Interior Construction	DES 102, DES 120	3
IND 220	Research & Design Applications	LNG 172-1, IND 201	3
IND 301	Studio 5 - Institutional/ Corporate Design	DES 223, IND 202	6
IND 302	Studio 6 - Commercial Design	DES 214, IND 301	6
IND 332	Human Comfort and Environmental Systems	IND 202	3
IND 333	Building Codes for Interior Design	<u>Co-requisite IND 301</u>	3
IND 341	Furniture Design & Detailing	DES 120, DES 223	3
IND 366	Professional Practice & Project Management for Interior Design	IND 202	3

Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
IND 401	Studio 7 - Senior Project Dissertations	IND 220, IND 302, IND 332, IND 333	6
IND 402	Studio 8 - Senior Project	DES 400, DES 361, IND 401	6
Elective Courses (06 Credits): Students are required to Select Two Courses from the following courses			
DES 231	Sustainability of Buildings	DES 102	3
DES 410	Architecture of The Islamic World	DES 223	3
DES 420	Landscape Architecture	ARC 232 or IND 220	3
DES 430	Graphic Design & Portfolio for Architects & Interior Designers	DES 214	3
DES 440	Visualization	DES 214	3
DES 450	Complex Design Studio	ARC 302 or IND 302	3
DES 460	Digitization and Robotics in Building Construction	ARC 302 or IND 302	3
DES 470	Professional Practice Seminar	ARC 302 or IND 302	3
ARC 420	Revitalizing Public Spaces via Small-scale Installations	ARC 302 or IND 302	3

Study Plan (For 2024-25 Cohort onwards)

Sem.	Course Code	Course Title	Prerequisite/ Corequisite	Cr. Hrs.
Semester 1	LNG 171-1	English I	None	3
	DES 101	Studio 1 - Introduction to Design	<u>Co-DES 110 & DES 113</u>	4
	DES 110	Design Theory	<u>Co-DES 101 & DES 113</u>	3
	DES 113	Drafting & Modelling	<u>Co- DES 101 & DES 110</u>	3
	ENT 141	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 1	None	2
	MTH 196	Mathematics for Business	None	3
Total				18

Sem.	Course Code		Course Title	Prerequisite/ Corequisite	Cr. Hrs.
Semester 2	LNG	172-1	English II	LNG 171-1	3
	DES	102	Studio 2 - Design and the Human	DES 101, DES 110, DES 113 <u>Co-DES 120 & DES 123</u>	4
	DES	120	Human Factors	<u>Co-DES 102 & DES 123</u>	3
	DES	123	Freehand Drawing & Rendering	<u>Co-DES 102 & DES 120</u>	3
	ENT	142	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 141	1
	GED	190	Emirati Studies	None	3
Total					17
Semester 3	IND	201	Studio 3 - Interior Design and Materiality	DES 102, DES 120, DES 123	6
	IND	211	Materiality and Interior Construction	DES 102, DES 120	3
	DES	213	History of Architecture and Interior Design 1	LNG 171-1, DES 110	3
	DES	214	Computer Aided Design	DES 113	3
	ENT	241	Entrepreneurship 1	ENT 142	2
Total					17
Semester 4	IND	202	Studio 4 - Residential Design	IND 201	6
	IND	220	Research and Design Applications	LNG 172-1, IND 201	3
	DES	223	History of Architecture and Interior Design 2	DES 213	3
	LNG	173-1	Professional Communication Skills	LNG 172-1	3
	ENT	242	Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 241	1
Total					16
Semester 5	IND	301	Studio 5 - Institutional/ Corporate Design	DES 223, IND 202	6
	IND	332	Human Comfort and Environmental Systems	IND 202	3
	IND	333	Building Codes for Interior Design	Co-requisite IND 301	3
	DES	381	Artificial Intelligence for Design Applications	DES 214	3
	XXX	XXX	Major Elective (1)		3
Total					18
Semester 6	IND	302	Studio 6 - Commercial Design	DES 214, IND 301	6
	IND	341	Furniture Design & Detailing	DES 120, DES 223	3

Sem.	Course Code		Course Title	Prerequisite/ Corequisite	Cr. Hrs.
	IND	366	Professional Practice & Project Management for Interior Design	IND 202	3
	DES	361	Working Drawings and Detailing	ARC 242/IND 211, ARC 301/IND 301	3
	DES	382	Data Analytics in the Built Environment	MTH 112 or MTH 196, DES 214	3
Total					18
Semester 7	IND	401	Studio 7 - Senior Project Dissertation	IND 220, IND 302, IND 332, IND 333	6
	GED	255	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving	LNG 172-1	3
	XXX	XXX	Major Elective (2)		3
Total					12
Semester 8	IND	402	Studio 8 - Senior Project	DES 400, DES 361, IND 401	6
	GED	XXX	GE Elective		3
Total					9
DES 400 Internship (Between Semesters 6 & 7 and After Semester 8)				90 Cr. Hrs. & CGPA $\geq$ 2.0	3
Total Credit Hours					128

Study Plan (For Cohort before 2024-25)

Sem.	Course Code		Subject Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
Semester 1	LNG	171-1	English I	None	3
	MTH	196	Mathematics for Business	None	3

Sem.	Course Code	Subject Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
	DES 121	Design Theory	<u>Co-DES 161 & DES 171</u>	3
	DES 161	Introduction to Design (Studio)	<u>Co-DES 121 & DES 171</u>	4
	DES 171	Drafting & Modelling	<u>Co-DES 121 & DES 161</u>	3
	ENT 141	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 1	None	2
	Total			18
Semester 2	LNG 172-1	English II	LNG 171-1	3
	DES 172	Freehand Drawing & Rendering	<u>Co- DES 122 & DES 162</u>	3
	DES 122	Human Factors	<u>Co-DES 162 & DES 172</u>	3
	DES 162	Fundamentals of Design (Studio)	DES 121, DES 161, DES 171 <u>Co-DES 122 & DES 172</u>	4
	ENT 142	Fundamentals of Innovation and Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 141	1
	GED 199	UAE Society	None	3
	Total			17
Sem ester	DES 221	History of Architecture and Interior Design 1	DES 121, LNG 171	3

Sem.	Course Code		Subject Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
	DES	241	Construction and Design Integration	DES 162	3
	DES	261	Design Principles (Studio)	DES 122, DES 162, DES 172	6
	DES	271	Computer Aided Design	DES 171	3
	ENT	241	Entrepreneurship 1	ENT 142	2
	Total				17
Semester 4	DES	222	History of Architecture and Interior Design 2	DES 221	3
	IND	232	Research and Design Applications	LNG 172, DES 261	3
	IND	242	Construction and Design Integration: Interior Design	DES 241	3
	IND	262	Residential Design (Studio)	DES 261	6
	ENT	242	Entrepreneurship 2	ENT 241	1
	Total				16
Semester	DES	341	Environmental Systems & Design Integration	ARC 232/IND 232, ARC 262/IND 262	3

Sem.	Course Code		Subject Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
	IND	331	Furniture Design & Detailing	DES 122, DES 222	3
	IND	343	Interior Finishes & Materials	IND 242	3
	IND	361	Institutional Design (Studio)	DES 222, IND 262	6
	LNG	173	Professional Communication Skills	LNG 172-1	3
	Total				18
Semester 6	IND	342	Lighting & Acoustics	DES 341, IND 242	3
	IND	344	Building Code	IND 343	3
	IND	362	Commercial Design (Studio)	DES 271, IND 361	6
	DES	371	Working Drawings and Detailing	ARC 242/IND 242, ARC 361/IND 361	3
	IND	351	Professional Practice & Project Management	IND 361	3
	Total				18
Semester	GED	196	Communication Skills in Arabic 1	None	3

Sem.	Course Code		Subject Title	Prerequisite	Cr. Hrs.
	IND	461	Senior Project – Dissertation (Studio)	IND 232, IND 331, IND 342, IND 344, IND 362	6
	XXX	XXX	Major Elective		3
	Total				12
Semester 8	GED	198	Islamic Culture	None	3
	IND	462	Senior Project Design (Studio)	DES 351, DES 371, IND 461	6
	Total				9
DES 351 Internship* (Between Semesters 6 and 7 & After Semester 8)				90 Cr. Hrs. & CGPA $\geq$ 2.0	3
Total Credit Hours					128