INTERIOR DESIGN INTERNSHIP

Georgia Southern University Interior Design Program



The Interior Design Program at Georgia Southern University is a NASAD and CIDA accredited program. Interior Design majors begin coursework with a foundation of Drawing, 2-D and 3-D Design, and Design Appreciation. Students progress through a series of five Interior Design studio courses which provide a progressive approach to the execution of residential and commercial design solutions on a variety of areas, such as design philosophy, concept development, space planning, and finish/furniture selection culminate in a senior-level capstone course. Studio I focuses on the foundation of graphics and presentation. Studio II is residential design, Studio III is hospitality design, Studio IV is corporate/commercial offices, and Studio V is healthcare. All Interior Design student internships are done in the summer of the students Jr. or Sr. year.

Completed Courses

All students will have completed the following courses by the start of the internship.

- Design Appreciation- general introduction to the principles and elements of design
- Studio I- introduction to basic concepts, skills, and graphics used to represent interior design applications, perspective drawings, mixed media renderings, detail drawings, and model buildings
- Studio II- design planning process as it applies to a moderate scale residential interior environment
- Studio III- design planning process as it applies to a medium scale hospitality environment
- Professional Practice- basic business principles, professional organizations, client relationships, specification writing, and estimation are covered in this course
- CAD I- students learn how to use Revit Architecture, create schedules and details, and digitally model and render in 3DS Max Design

Internship Objectives

For the internship, the student is expected to create three goals with two objectives each to submit with the internship application. All goals and objectives must be met throughout the course of the internship. These goals and objectives are part of the contract that will be signed by the student, the internship coordinator at GSU, faculty mentor, and the site coordinator.

Responsibilities of Intern

- Submit a weekly report form to the internship coordinator throughout the internship period
- Complete a special project. The special project should reflect the type of work done at the firm and represent the student's work during the internship. The project can be a real job or a hypothetical one and should be worthy of a higher set of skills. The project should provide the opportunity for the intern to demonstrate skills learned and to take the leadership role in design decisions. If doing finish/furnish selection, a minimum of 3 rooms is required. The student is responsible for developing the project with the assistance of the site coordinator and approval by the internship coordinator.
- A work summary report which includes a general overview of the internship is due at the end of the internship. It is a minimum/maximum of 3 to 6 pages and should summarize the intern's time at the firm.

Responsibilities of Internship Side Coordinator

- Assist intern in meeting all pre-approved goals and objectives
- Sign an intern application which is the contract form
- Assist intern in development of a special project
- Complete an evaluation form for the intern and submit to the internship coordinator