INTERIOR DESIGN: AAS

Associate in Applied Science | 60 credit hours minimum

Area of Interest: Communications, Design, and Creative Arts

Program Website (https://stlcc.edu/programs-academics/pathways/a-d-h-c/interior-design/)

Academic Advising (https://stlcc.edu/admissions/advising/)

Program Description:

The Associate in Applied Science degree in Interior Design prepares students for careers in interior design. The curriculum emphasizes a strong foundation in visual art skills, architecture, and space planning. Utilizing these foundations, students develop creative projects using a systematic approach to the design processes.

The coursework for the interior design program includes solving interior design-related problems by developing free-hand and drafting skills, computer skills, and oral presentation skills. Graduates will be familiar with local and national trade, professional and industry resources. Issues in sustainable and universal design are also explored within the studio environment.

Persons interested in this program should have a strong desire to work with people, enjoy functional problem solving, and appreciate the impact of design in our environment. Previous drawing, design, or drafting courses are also helpful.

Graduates of the program are qualified for entry-level positions in residential and/or commercial interior design and related fields. Careers in interior design may include: residential design, commercial design, health care design, hospitality design, kitchen and bath design, office design, architectural firms, retail stores, wholesale showrooms, and lighting design. Graduates also may be employed as manufacturers' product representatives, freelance designers, or facilities planning assistants.

Locations. This program is offered at Meramec by taking a mixture of face-to-face and online courses.

Cost of Attendance. For more information on cost of attendance visit **MoSCORES (https://scorecard.mo.gov/Search/)**.

Program Career and Salary Information. Pursuant to Missouri HB 1606 (2018), information regarding the number of credit hours, program length, employment rate, wage data, and graduates employed in careers related to their program of study at St. Louis Community College can be found at the following URL: **https://scorecard.mo.gov/scorecard/ (https://www.google.com/url?q=https://scorecard.mo.gov/scorecard/ &sa=D&ust=1555536894857000&usg=AFQjCNG1xf3E_i2lO96zEytILO-s5xaJCQ)**. Search using School / Program "St. Louis Community College" and choose the degree or credential type of interest.

The following limitations to the data apply: Information provided is based on the most recent cohorts available. Typically, most recent cohorts for wage and completion data are six years prior to the current academic year. Time to complete a program of study varies depending on the number of credit hours students earn per semester.

Interested in this program? Start the enrollment process by visiting the **Apply to STLCC (https://www.stlcc.edu/admissions/apply-to-stlcc/)** page.

At the completion of the program, students are expected to:

1. apply free-hand drawing, hand drafting, computer drafting, rendering, and oral presentation skills to communicate design ideas.
2. develop creative projects using a systematic approach to the design processes.
3. apply the principles and elements of design to design solutions.
4. evaluate interior construction methods, building systems, building codes, fire codes, and life safety codes and their impact on interior planning and design.
5. analyze architecture, interiors, and art within a historical and cultural context.
6. integrate visual art skills in two-dimensional and three-dimensional design to design solutions.
7. compose design solutions that reflect color and light in interior environments.
8. evaluate the accepted ethical standards for the industry and the commitment of a professional interior designer to the built environment.
9. develop design solutions that incorporate behavioral science and human factors on interior design planning.
10. select interior finishes, furniture, and equipment appropriate for the designed interior environment.
11. prepare interior finish, furniture, and fixture specifications.
12. identify sustainable design solutions and apply them to studio coursework.

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Program of Study

Code	Title	Credit Hours
General Education		
ENG 101	College Composition I (MOTR ENGL 100)	3
PSY 200	General Psychology (MOTR PSYC 100)	3
XXX xxx	Social & Behavioral Sciences: Civics Requirement (http://catalog.stlcc.edu/general-education/)	3
XXX xxx	Any Natural Science course with a MOTR designation OR MTH 108 or higher	3
ART 102	Art History - 1300 to Present (MOTR ARTS 102)	3
Program Requirements		
ART 140	Two-Dimensional Design	3
ART 109	Drawing I (MOTR PERF 105D)	3
ART 131	Computer Art Studio	3
ART 150	Design Communication for Interior Design and Architecture	3
ART 154	Architectural Graphics and Technology I	3
AT 287	Architectural Graphics and Technology II	3
ART 153	History of Cultural Environments I	3
ART 254	History of Cultural Environments II	3
ART 186	Building Systems and Construction for Interior Designers	3
ART 151	Interior Design I	3

ART 251	Interior Design II	3
ART 252	Interior Design III	3
ART 253	Interior Design IV	3
AT 151	Interior Specifications, Materials, and Methods	3
AT 152	Lighting Design	3
Total Credit Hours		**60**

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Full-Time Academic Plan

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Code	Title	Hours	Prerequisites	Milestones/Notes
First Year				
Fall				
ART 154	Architectural Graphics and Technology I	3	Reading Proficiency	Exploratory Course, Gateway Course, Critical Course
ART 151	Interior Design I	3	Concurrent or prior enrollment in ART 154 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Exploratory Course, Gateway Course, Critical Course
ART 131	Computer Art Studio	3	Reading Proficiency	
ART 140	Two-Dimensional Design	3	Reading Proficiency	
ART 109	Drawing I (MOTR PERF 105D)	3	Reading Proficiency	
	Credit Hours	**15**		
Spring				
ART 186	Building Systems and Construction for Interior Designers	3	Reading Proficiency	
ART 251	Interior Design II	3	ART 154 and ART 151 with a grade of "C" or better and Reading Proficiency	
ART 150	Design Communication for Interior Design and Architecture	3	ART 154 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	
AT 151	Interior Specifications, Materials, and Methods	3	Reading Proficiency	
ENG 101 or 102	College Composition I (MOTR ENGL 100) or College Composition II (MOTR ENGL 200)	3	Placement score or ENG 030 or ENG 070 with a grade of "C" or better or recommendation of department and Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
	Credit Hours	**15**		
Second Year				
Fall				
ART 252	Interior Design III	3	ART 251 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Fall semesters only
AT 287	Architectural Graphics and Technology II	3	ART 154 and ART 251 with minimum grades of "C", and Reading Proficiency	
ART 153	History of Cultural Environments I	3	Reading Proficiency	Offered Fall semesters only
XXX xxx	MOTR Natural Science OR MTH 108 or higher	3		Reference transfer agreements before selecting course.
PSY 200	General Psychology (MOTR PSYC 100)	3	Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
	Credit Hours	**15**		

Spring				
ART 253	Interior Design IV	3	ART 252 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Spring semesters only
ART 254	History of Cultural Environments II	3	ART 153 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Spring semesters only
ART 102	Art History - 1300 to Present (MOTR ARTS 102)	3	Reading Proficiency	Apply for graduation.
XXX xxx	Social & Behavioral Sciences: Civics Requirement (http://catalog.stlcc.edu/general-education/)	3		Reference transfer agreements before selecting a course.
AT 152	Lighting Design	3	ART 151 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	
	Credit Hours	**15**		
	Total Credit Hours	**60**		

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Exploratory Courses: Exploratory courses are first-semester courses that introduce the program and career field.

Gateway Courses: Gateway courses are courses in many career pathways that must be completed before progression in higher-level courses. These may be the same as critical and/or exploratory courses.

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Part-Time Academic Plan

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First Year				
Fall				
ART 154	Architectural Graphics and Technology I	3	Reading Proficiency	Exploratory Course, Gateway Course, Critical Course
ART 151	Interior Design I	3	Concurrent or prior enrollment in ART 154 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Exploratory Course, Gateway Course, Critical Course
ART 131	Computer Art Studio	3	Reading Proficiency	
	Credit Hours	**9**		
Spring				
ART 150	Design Communication for Interior Design and Architecture	3	ART 154 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	
ART 251	Interior Design II	3	ART 154 and ART 151 with a grade of "C" or better and Reading Proficiency	

AT 151	Interior Specifications, Materials, and Methods	3	Reading Proficiency	
	Credit Hours	**9**		
Summer				
ENG 101 or 102	College Composition I (MOTR ENGL 100) or College Composition II (MOTR ENGL 200)	3	Placement score or ENG 030 or ENG 070 with a grade of "C" or better or recommendation of department and Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
	Credit Hours	**3**		
Second Year				
Fall				
ART 252	Interior Design III	3	ART 251 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Fall semesters only
AT 287	Architectural Graphics and Technology II	3	ART 154 and ART 251 with minimum grades of "C", and Reading Proficiency	
ART 153	History of Cultural Environments I	3	Reading Proficiency	Offered Fall semesters only
	Credit Hours	**9**		
Spring				
ART 253	Interior Design IV	3	ART 252 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Spring semesters only
ART 254	History of Cultural Environments II	3	ART 153 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Spring semesters only
AT 152	Lighting Design	3	ART 151 with a minimum grade of "C" and Reading Proficiency	Offered Spring semesters only
	Credit Hours	**9**		
Summer				
ART 109	Drawing I (MOTR PERF 105D)	3	Reading Proficiency	
	Credit Hours	**3**		
Third Year				
Fall				
XXX xxx	Social & Behavioral Sciences: Civics Requirement (http://catalog.stlcc.edu/general-education/)	3		Reference transfer agreements before selecting course.
ART 140	Two-Dimensional Design	3	Reading Proficiency	
XXX xxx	MOTR Natural Science OR MTH 108 or higher	3		Reference transfer agreements before selecting course.
	Credit Hours	**9**		
Spring				
ART 102	Art History - 1300 to Present (MOTR ARTS 102)	3	Reading Proficiency	Apply for graduation.
ART 186	Building Systems and Construction for Interior Designers	3	Reading Proficiency	
PSY 200	General Psychology (MOTR PSYC 100)	3	Reading Proficiency or concurrent enrollment in RDG 079	
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