



University of New Haven

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS

INTERIOR DESIGN

& Pre-Architecture



Career Growth

According to Encoura, the leading research and advisory firm focused exclusively on higher education, some of the most popular interior design careers are going to see significant growth in the 10 years leading up to 2027.

Our graduates are highly sought after by recruiters from top interior design firms in the region, including ESPN, Atelier 10, and Peter Newman Architects.

Program Description

The average person spends up to 90 percent of their time indoors, so interior environments have the potential to make a big impact on how we live, learn, and work. In fact, our surroundings can affect our thoughts, feelings, behavior, and productivity.

Through the University of New Haven Interior Design and Pre-Architecture program, you will learn to create beautiful, functional spaces that meet the needs of a wide range of clients. You will learn the rules of proportion, scale, balance, contrast, color, texture, rhythm, and harmony; learn to manipulate architecture to create a more effective use of space; and study the impact of environmental factors, including acoustics, lighting, and temperature control.

You will also focus on critical issues around sustainability and universal design, gaining a solid foundation in architectural drawing, building construction, color theory, textile design, and the history of interior design.

If your goal is to pursue graduate education in architecture, you will have the option to choose a pre-architecture concentration that meets the requirements for your future studies.



The University of New Haven has been recognized as one of **The 387 Best Colleges** in the country by *The Princeton Review*.



Internships

The University of New Haven considers internships to be a critical component of your education. Nothing adjusts your outlook like working in a real job, with its responsibilities and deadlines. Our interns work at companies and organizations that are relevant to the discipline they are studying and that enable them to build a network of contacts that can last a lifetime.

Here are just a few of the exciting locations that have welcomed our students: Atelier 10, Svigals+Partners, Kitchens by Dean, Kellie Burke Interiors, and Strategic Spaces.

Sample Courses

- Architectural Drawing
- Visual Communication for Interior Design
- Environmental Design Studio
- Color: Theory and Application
- History of Architecture & Interior Design
- Interior Design Studio
- Construction Documents
- Building Systems for Interior Design
- Interior Design Studio
- AutoCAD Architecture
- Interior Materials & Specifications
- Furniture Design & Specifications
- Lighting Design & Specifications
- Revit Architecture
- Building Codes for Interior Design
- Portfolio Design and Production
- Professional Practices for Interior Designers

Accreditations

The University of New Haven has earned the prestigious Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA). This designates the University's B.F.A. in Interior Design as the only CIDA-accredited interior design program in the state of Connecticut!



Over 18,000 students in over 170 CIDA-accredited interior design programs worldwide benefit from CIDA standards and quality assurance. CIDA-accredited program graduates hold many successful positions in both education and practice, and overall perform stronger on the NCIDQ exam. CIDA provides future-focused knowledge, industry forecasts and a valuable return on educational investment. Over 65% of graduates from CIDA programs believe that accreditation has positively impacted their ability to get their first job.

The University of New Haven is also accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art & Design (NASAD). This mark of excellence designates the University's B.A. in Art and B.F.A. in Graphic Design and Interior Design/Pre-Architecture as nationally accredited programs.



Founded in 1944, NASAD is an organization of schools, conservatories, colleges, and universities with approximately 360 accredited institutional members. It establishes national standards for undergraduate and graduate degrees and other credentials for art and design and art/design-related disciplines and provides assistance to institutions and individuals engaged in artistic, scholarly, educational, and other art/design-related endeavors.



“Interior design students really get the chance to know all of the professors on a personal level. They always gave me one-on-one help and advice and they even helped me find an opportunity in the field of interior design that will advance my career.”

CASSANDRA CHARLES '17

B.F.A. in Interior Design

Graduate degree student • Florida International University

Why Choose the University of New Haven to Study Interior Design?

- 1** Be part of only a select group of universities that hold both the **Council for Interior Design Accreditation and accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Art and Design.**
- 2** **You will develop professional-level proficiency at CAD (computer-aided design), 3D modeling rendering, and other computer skills and presentation techniques** that bring your ideas to life, allowing clients to actually see what you have in mind.
- 3** **You will derive enormous benefit from the University's strong working relationships** with local interior design resource centers, design firms, and architects. One of the advantages will be the professional contacts you make and the network you build from them.
- 4** **Dreaming of becoming an architect?** Our pre-architecture concentration meets the requirements for graduate school in architecture.
- 5** **In your first year, you will have the opportunity to become a member of our Community of Arts Enhanced Learning Community.** You'll share quarters with others in the creative fields, exchanging ideas and inspiration after class, helping each other with homework, and participating together in the rich cultural and arts opportunities on campus, in the New Haven area, and in New York City.

STUDY ABROAD: *BENVENUTI IN PRATO!*



While studying abroad at our Prato campus in Italy's Tuscany region, students will learn, visit, explore, taste, and experience new and exciting things every day. As they pursue their academic skills both inside and outside the classroom, they will also develop skills and abilities that can be acquired only through the study abroad experience. For example:

- Collaborating, communicating, and problem-solving in a new environment
- Gaining appreciation for new and different cultures
- Becoming independent by acclimating to life in another country
- Bonding with students from around the globe

About Us

The University of New Haven, founded on the Yale campus in 1920, is a private, coeducational university situated on the coast of southern New England. It's a diverse and vibrant community of more than 7,000 students with campuses across the country and around the world.

Within our colleges and schools, students immerse themselves in a transformative, career-focused education across the liberal arts and sciences, fine arts, business, healthcare and health sciences, engineering, public safety, and public service. More than 100 academic programs are offered, all grounded in a long-standing commitment to collaborative, interdisciplinary, project-based learning.

At the University of New Haven, the experience of learning is both personal and pragmatic, guided by a distinguished faculty who care deeply about individual student success. As leaders in their fields, faculty provide the inspiration and recognition needed for students to fulfill their potential and succeed at whatever they choose to do.



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