



# DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR DESIGN FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY



Seven Islands Hotel by  
graduate student David Roan.

## We believe creative process and critical thinking produce environments that contribute to well-being.

Thoughtful interior environments can help to protect the natural environments, human resources, and make the world a better place in which to live, work, and play. The Department of Interior Design at Florida State University offers the knowledge and skills necessary to create interiors that are functional, safe and beautiful. Our approach is one driven by a systemic process, shaped by critical thinking and dedicated to translating needs to spatial solutions that support users' satisfaction and happiness.

Our community is one of strength through diversity, imparting the skills to manipulate interior architectural space that is simultaneously shaped by the detail and humanness of interior design.



Most admired graduate program in the  
DesignIntelligence national poll of deans and  
design program chairs in 2013, 2014 and 2015.



SCAN TO SEE RECENT VIDEO WORK  
FROM OUR GRADUATE STUDENTS.

## INTRODUCING YOUR ACADEMIC HOME AWAY FROM HOME



## A cutting-edge facility

The Department of Interior Design is located in the heart of the Florida State University campus. The building's 2011 \$49 million 143,000 square foot renovation is LEED Gold Certified, and provides us an unparalleled learning environment featuring a beautiful five-story atrium, numerous student gathering areas, and state-of-the-art studios and lecture rooms.



Graduate student workspace.

## Faculty who are leading educators

Study with faculty who are recognized leaders in the interior design profession. FSU boasts the most faculty at any single institution who have served as national president of the Interior Design Educators Council, the largest interior design education and research organization in the world. Our faculty have real practice and research experience that will help you succeed in office, restaurant, hotel, entertainment, healthcare, museum, residential and institutional projects.

## Select program features

- Design and fabrication of custom furniture at Studio D, the Department's prototyping workshop complete with hand and digital visioning and construction tools, including 3D printers, CNC routers, MakerBots and laser cutters. Design and fabrication of small and full-scale prototypes of furniture and interior design support curriculum development and instruction, research and critical analysis, and product development and material testing.
- Skill building in advanced visual communications seamlessly blends design storytelling with technology in the creation of project deliverables and personal marketing materials. Building upon their existing graphic skills, you learn from experts in the field, and harness cutting edge equipment in making first-rate live action and motion graphic videos. These videos have been noted by leading practitioners as being a noteworthy and an increasingly important component in a design portfolio, distinguishing your work from your competition.



Furniture design in Studio D.

# OUR RANGE OF GRADUATE OPTIONS FITS YOUR GOALS

The graduate program in interior design offers the Master of Science, the Master of Arts and the Master of Fine Arts degrees that prepare you for design practice or a career in teaching and research.



Advanced Professional project by graduate student Kelly Platko.



Research and Design Presentation by Leslie Hallequist.

## How to apply:

Submit your application online at [admissions.fsu.edu](http://admissions.fsu.edu). Application materials are reviewed upon receipt. Applications due no later than July 1 for fall consideration each year, but earlier applications are recommended to best ensure availability. Detailed admission requirements are in the “Graduate” section at [interiordesign.fsu.edu](http://interiordesign.fsu.edu).

## Financial aid:

A limited number of assistantships are available that engage you in supervised teaching or research opportunities with faculty. An assistantship provides an in-state tuition waiver and stipend for fall and spring study. To guarantee consideration, graduate school and assistantship applications are due by April 1st. The assistantship application is available at [interiordesign.fsu.edu](http://interiordesign.fsu.edu).

FOR FURTHER AID OPPORTUNITIES, SEE [FINANCIALAID.FSU.EDU](http://FINANCIALAID.FSU.EDU)

	MASTER OF SCIENCE RESEARCH TRACK	MASTER OF SCIENCE PRACTICE TRACK	MASTER OF FINE ARTS
SEMESTERS / CREDIT HRS.	4 / 32	3 / 32	6 / 60
DEGREE GOALS	Acquire knowledge to conduct research for advanced practice or teaching. Option to continue on to a Ph.D. degree.	Develop specialized practice-oriented interior design knowledge by designing a project of your choice, including research, programming, construction documents and summative presentation.	Develop specialized interior design practice or research knowledge and/or pursue a teaching and research career in interior design.
OUTCOMES	Skills enable original research generation to inform interior design body of knowledge.	Skills enable advanced literature search & analysis to assist design decision-making.	Skills enable original research generation to inform design decision-making.

An undergraduate degree in Interior Design, Architecture, or equivalent field is a prerequisite for all degree tracks. All degree tracks start in the Fall semester.

# FSU Department of Interior Design

## SHAPING SPACES, SHAPING LIVES



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### Our students win national awards for their projects and research.

- 2014 NEWH National Scholarship: Katie Timmerman
- 2014 American Society of Interior Designer national Joel Polsky Academic Achievement Award (for MFA thesis): Lauren Trujillo
- 2014 American Society of Interior Designers National Graduate Student Legacy Fellowship: Mary Katherine Crouch
- 2013 American Society of Interior Designer national Joel Polsky Academic Achievement Award (for MFA thesis): Tony Purvis
- 2013 Environmental Design and Research Association National Student Research Award (for MFA thesis): Tony Purvis
- 2013 American Academy of Healthcare Interior Designers National Student Research Winner (for MFA thesis): Amy Griffin
- 2013 Top North American finalist in the Interface International Biophilia Competition: Amanda Cleveland
- 2013 American Society of Interior Designers National Leadership Award: Melanie Murata

### Learning that addresses real world challenges.

Our graduates typically enter directly into interior design practice after completing their studies or begin their teaching and research careers after gaining practice experience. They work in every part of the United States and beyond, as this partial list of employers shows:

#### Academic Positions

Auburn University  
Kansas State University  
Queens University  
University of North Carolina-Greensboro  
Mississippi State University  
Washington State University  
High Point University  
University of Central Oklahoma  
Talibah University, Saudi Arabia

#### Professional Practice

BAM Architects, NYC  
HOK, Atlanta and Tampa  
OKW Architects, Chicago  
STG Design, Inc., Austin  
Stan Topol & Associates, Atlanta  
Gensler, Los Angeles  
Rink Design Partnership, Jacksonville  
Veenendalcave, Atlanta  
WATG, Seattle  
Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, San Francisco



Melanie Murata and Tony Purvis at ASID National Awards.



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