MU Department of Architectural Studies Consumer Information

Degree Granting Authority: University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri 65211

Brief History:
The University of Missouri was established in 1839 as the first public university west of the Mississippi River and the first state university in Thomas Jefferson’s Louisiana Purchase Territory. In 1900 the first interior design course was taught.

Accreditations:
- Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) for interior design program. In 1973 the interior design program was accredited in the first group of six programs in the nation to be accredited. The program has had continuous accreditation.

Department Chairs:
Kate Ellen Rogers (1954-1984); Ruth Brent Tofle (1984 – Present).

Student Data¹:

Enrollment.
- BS HES Architectural Studies Department: 183 undergraduates
- Interior Design Emphasis: 64 Interior Design majors
- MA / MS (Masters – online and resident; part-time and full time): 8 students
- PhD HES Architectural Studies (online & resident; part-time & full time): 23 students
- Total ArchSt graduate students: 31 students

Degrees Awarded.
- BS HES Architectural Studies: 26 students in two emphasis areas with 13 students in Interior Design and 13 students in Architectural Studies
- MA / MS: 1 Masters – online and resident
- PhD HES Architectural Studies: 3 Doctorates – online and resident

Minority Undergraduate and Graduate Enrollment²: 14.5%.

Undergraduate Degree Completion and Retention/Attrition for Department. Students enter the undergraduate professional program by taking Studio I in their first semester sophomore year.
- Undergraduate completion is: 64% in 4 years or less; 70% in 5 years or less; 70% in 6 years or less.

Specifics on Interior Design Student Achievement (CIDA program).
- Retention for student cohort beginning professional program / Graduation rate completing degree: 93% in 5 years or less (includes transfer students).

Alumni Followup of 33 undergraduates completing Fall 2016-Summer 2017
- Interior Design: 94% (15) employed in design field and 6% (1) other family choice.
- Architectural Studies (pre-arch): 59% (10) employed in design field, 29% (5) accepted into graduate program, and 12% (2) other life and family choices.

¹ Quantitative data are provided by the MU Office of Institutional Research for posting in 2018. Enrollment data reflects 2017 HES Statistics Report, 2016 Fall Census, and 2015-2016 Academic Year students (Fall, Spring, Summer Session).

² Minority headcount includes African American, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian/Pacific Islander, Hispanic and Multiple Race/Ethnicity. Percentage enrolled excludes Non-Resident International and Unknown ethnicity in the base calculation.