

# CAREERS

## in Architectural Studies

### Department of Architectural Studies

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### Graduates with a Bachelor of Science

Graduates have completed a program in interior design or interior design with a pre-architecture option. Employment opportunities are found in a variety of interior design business settings including interior design or architectural firms, manufacturers of interior furnishings, or the interior design or facilities management division of a large corporation, educational institution, or governmental body.

Employment may include opportunities for specialization in a particular type of interior or one or more aspects of the design process:

- Office/corporate design
- Retail facility design
- Financial institution design
- Design Programming
- Medical institution design
- Government institution design
- Residential design
- Historic preservation
- Kitchen and bath design
- Accessible/universal design
- Computer aided design and animation
- Hospitality design (hotel/restaurant)

Numerous graduates of the interior design program now own and operate their own interior design firms. Some graduates choose to work in a variety of design supportive areas such as sales management of a design showroom, computer aided drafting, or as a sales representative for a furnishings' manufacturer.

Graduates who complete a pre-architecture option may apply for admission to a graduate program in architecture at another institution.

### Graduates of the MA degree program

MA graduates have completed a design or creative project along with supporting graduate level coursework emphasizing computer-aided design and animation, design communication. Career opportunities are found in:

- design firms
- computer graphic enterprises
- retail establishments
- corporate institutions
- consultancy

Graduates contribute their skills to analysis and design of commercial, institutional, corporate and health care facilities, as well as residential settings. They collaborate with related design professionals providing solutions to social and environmental problems.

### Graduates of MS and PhD degree programs

MS and PhD graduates have completed research culminating in a thesis or dissertation with appropriate graduate level coursework. Curricular emphasis is in Environment and Behavior Studies and includes environmental gerontology, facility design and management, social and cultural bases of design, rural environments, and environmental design education. These graduates pursue academic and professional careers integrating environmental design theory with their research skills. Some MS and many PhD graduates obtain positions in teaching, research, and administration at colleges or universities.