

BFA IN
INTERIOR DESIGN

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES

Marylhurst University is embedded in a rich community of vibrant leaders in interior design. The campus is located 10 minutes south of Portland, a city known as a national leader in sustainability.

OUTSTANDING FACULTY

Design professionals participate in the program as instructors, visiting critics, professional mentors and presenters. These practitioners are dedicated to excellence in practice and student-centered learning. They bring firsthand experience and engaging teaching styles into the classroom. Creativity and functionality are encouraged in small, interactive classes.

NEXT STEP

Contact Marylhurst University today. Personalized academic advising is the key to creating your optimal degree plan. An advisor will answer questions about designing your academic program and provide you with information about admissions, transfer credits, financial aid, scholarships and prior learning assessment.



Marylhurst University is a liberal arts university located south of Portland between Lake Oswego and West Linn. Founded in 1893, Oregon's oldest Catholic university welcomes students of all faiths and backgrounds. A member of Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges (SOC) and an affiliate of the Concurrent Admissions Program (ConAP), Marylhurst University is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. The Interior Design Program is accredited by the Council of Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA).

**Marylhurst University—
just 10 minutes south of Portland.**

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DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

180 total quarter credits
129 credits in major

	Credits
Sequential Design Studios	45
Interior Design Seminars	9
2D & Color Design	6
Drawing & Graphics	9
Architectural Drawing	6
Presentation Skills	3
History of Furniture & Art	6
History of Architecture & Interiors	9
Interior Materials	3
Textiles for Interiors	3
Interior Lighting & Daylighting	6
Structures & Building Systems	6
Construction Documents	3
Computer-Aided Drafting (AutoCAD)	6
Building Information Modeling	3
Professional Practices for Interior Design	3
Interior Design Internship	3
TOTAL	129 CREDITS

Please refer to the current catalog for more information.

PROFESSIONAL INTERIOR DESIGN

COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION

Marylhurst's integrated, interdisciplinary approach to interior design education provides you with a solid foundation in graphic communication, design, art, architecture and the liberal arts.

During your studies, you will develop professional skills to analyze problems, synthesize information and propose creative solutions that ensure the health, safety and welfare of a building's occupants. The comprehensive curriculum balances functional requirements and sustainability with creative design and aesthetics. Coursework encompasses all phases of the design process including programming, space planning, design development, finish and furniture specifications, and construction documents.

EMPHASIS ON COMMERCIAL DESIGN

The program focuses on commercial interior design – giving you a greater variety of career options upon graduation. Classes prepare you for evolving design issues such as accessibility, codes, building systems and sustainability. Many projects involve real-life buildings, clients, programs and scenarios.

ACCREDITATION

Marylhurst's four-year Interior Design program is accredited by the **Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)**, the national accreditation organization for interior design education. This accreditation certifies that your education meets the professional industry standards required to begin a career in interior design.

PREPARATION FOR CERTIFICATION

Upon graduation you will be prepared to enter the Interior Design Experience Program (IDEP), which helps entry-level interior designers obtain professional experience prior to taking the National Council of Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) examination for national-level professional certification.



THE MARYLHURST EXPERIENCE

- Learn in small, seminar-style courses taught by practicing design professionals
- Collaborate among a diverse student population with rich work and life experiences
- Select from morning, afternoon and early-evening courses
- Transfer applicable credits

THE PROGRAM

The core of the curriculum is a sequence of design studios. First-year studio work focuses on the principles and elements of design. Second-year studios expand with the study of design process, sustainability and human needs. Building technology and codes are emphasized in the third year. The fourth year culminates with a self-directed project that encompasses all phases of the design process.

SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAM

If you have a bachelor's degree or transferable credits, you can start in the summer intensive program and complete the first-year design sequence in one term. This may shorten the length of time it takes to earn your degree.

INTERNSHIP

Portfolio-building skills and hands-on experience are gained during a professional internship, providing you with the opportunity to develop realistic expectations of the workplace.

CAREER PATHS

You will be prepared for a range of employment options – from large interior design firms to interior design consulting companies and freelance design. Career opportunities extend from full-service commercial design to interior design specializations such as medical, hospitality, education or retail. If you plan to pursue leadership roles in the field or a related design discipline, you will be equipped for graduate studies.