

MASTER OF INTERIOR DESIGN (MID)

Design Background Track

For students who hold a **bachelor's degree in interior design or a related field within an architectural framework**. Degrees accredited by CIDA, or comparable programs, are typically considered sufficient preparation for direct entry; applicants from other programs may qualify after review of academic background, portfolio, and prior coursework, occasionally with limited leveling.

36 Total MID credit hours	2 YEARS Typical time to degree	12 Elective credits · any UF discipline, 5000-level or higher	THESIS or PILOT Culminating requirement (6 credits)
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Plan of Study

Typical sequence Standard full-time plan

YEAR 1 · FALL		10 credits
IND 5633	Readings in Design Studies	3
IND 5920	Graduate Colloquium	1
IND 5641	Environment and Behavior	3
<i>Open</i>	Graduate Elective or Independent Study	3
YEAR 1 · SPRING		11 credits
IND 6639	Methods of Interior Design Research	3
IND 5977	Proposal Development in Interior Design	2
<i>Open</i>	Graduate Elective or Independent Study	3
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YEAR 2 · FALL		9 credits
IND 6940	Supervised Teaching	3
IND 6906	Independent Studies and Readings <i>Design exploration / data collection</i>	3
<i>Open</i>	Graduate Elective or Independent Study	3
YEAR 2 · SPRING		6 credits
IND 6971	Research for Master's Thesis or	6
IND 6951	Project in Lieu of Thesis (PILOT)	
TOTAL GRADUATE CREDITS		36

Alternate sequence 9 credits per semester

Graduate assistants must register for at least 9 credits in Fall and Spring. The same 36 credits, redistributed to meet that minimum.

YEAR 1 · FALL		9
IND 5633	Readings in Design Studies	3
IND 5920	Graduate Colloquium	1
IND 5641	Environment and Behavior	3
<i>Graduate Elective or Ind. Study</i>		2
YEAR 1 · SPRING		9
IND 6639	Methods of Int. Des. Research	3
IND 5977	Proposal Development	2
<i>Graduate Elective or Ind. Study</i>		3
IND 6906	Independent Studies	1
YEAR 2 · FALL		9
IND 6940	Supervised Teaching	3
IND 6906	Independent Studies	3
<i>Graduate Elective or Ind. Study</i>		3
YEAR 2 · SPRING		9
IND 6971 / 6951	Thesis or PILOT	6
<i>Graduate Elective or Ind. Study</i>		3
TOTAL		36

Milestones — see the IND Graduate Student Handbook for the full list

1 FALL YEAR 1	2 SPRING YEAR 1	3 FALL YEAR 2	4 SPRING YEAR 2
- Identify areas of interest; review relevant literature - Identify research questions or design focus - Identify and confirm Supervisory Committee Chair	- Form Supervisory Committee - Develop and refine thesis or PILOT proposal - Develop research methods or project approach	- Defend proposal and obtain committee approval before collecting data or developing design - Conduct data collection and analysis, or the primary design process	- Apply for graduation by the Graduate School deadline - Submit document to committee 2 weeks before the defense - Defend by the Graduate School deadline and complete revisions

Summer enrollment is not required unless your funding, internship, or graduation term requires it; international students should confirm their summer registration requirements with the UF International Center.

This is a planning guide; confirm your sequence with your Supervisory Committee Chair.

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