SYDNEY DESIGN SCHOOL



Diploma of Interior Design

Become an Interior Designer

NO ATAR AND NO EXAMS
ASQA ACCREDITED

CAREERS COACHING
INDUSTRY RECOGNISED

PATHWAY TO A DEGREE VET STUDENT LOANS

ON CAMPUS

2 or 3 days per week 12 or 18 months \$23,490 domestic (GST free) \$31,990 international (GST free) Visa required Design Kit \$660 (GST inc.)

VIRTUAL STUDIO

2 days per week 18 months \$19,990 (GST free) No visa required Design Kit \$660 (GST inc.)

ONLINE

10 hours per week 2-3 years \$16,990 (GST free) No visa required Design Kit included If you're dreaming of a job where no two days are the same, interior design could be your perfect fit. Interior Designers don't just decorate they transform spaces where people live, work, and hang out, shaping how we experience the world around us.

Our Diploma is designed for curious, creatives who want to think big and make real change. You'll start with the principles of design, colour and space planning. We'll teach you to develop concepts and solve design challenges with fresh ideas and practical skills. You'll use the latest 2D drawing and 3D modeling software to bring your visions to life.

Explore global design trends and create stunning interiors for homes, cafes, retail stores, offices, and restaurants. By the time you graduate, you'll have a professional portfolio that showcases your talent and prepares you for a dynamic, evolving industry.

Ready to go further? You can continue your studies with an Advanced Diploma of Interior Design.

Start your creative journey today and design a future you'll love.

Diploma of Interior Design Units I-11

Cert IV in Interior Decoration Units

Units of Study

VOC01: DESIGN ORIGINS AND PRINCIPLES

Develop a comprehensive understanding of the interior decoration and design industries while building a strong foundation in essential skills such as colour schemes and freehand sketching.

VOCO2: FOUNDATIONS OF SPACE AND SCALE

Explore key principles of residential planning across a range of interior spaces. Create lighting layouts and bring your design concepts to life through 3D exploration.

VOCO3: INTERIOR SCHEMES

Build confidence in selecting and sourcing furniture, textiles, furnishings, upholstery and window treatments to meet diverse client briefs. Learn to present cohesive interior schemes.

VOCO4: DESIGN STUDIO 1: RESIDENTIAL DESIGN AND DECORATION

Consolidate your design skills by undertaking a real-world residential project—from initial briefing and space planning to the development of a complete interior furnishings scheme.

VOCO5: 2D DIGITAL FOUNDATIONS, STRUCTURES, SYSTEMS AND STANDARDS

Master 2D drawing software to produce a complete documentation package. Learn the fundamental principles and practical applications of building structures, systems, the NCC and standards within the context of residential projects.

VOCO6: DESIGN STUDIO 2: RESIDENTIAL DESIGN AND PLANNING

Design, plan and model residential spaces that respond to changing client needs, lifestyles and environments. Learn how to manipulate 3D space through exploring extensions, voids and stairs.

VOCO7: 3D DIGITAL FOUNDATIONS

Build dynamic detailed 3D models of interior spaces using the latest industry software. Apply materials, textures, and lighting and create stunning photorealistic renders.

VOCO8: DESIGN STUDIO 3: CONCEPTUAL EXPLORATION AND TRANSLATION

Master the art of concept development and creative exploration as you deep dive into the design process—from developing a unique concept to transforming ideas into pop-up spaces.

VOC9: DESIGN STUDIO 4: COMMERCIAL ENVIRONMENTS

Discover how thoughtful design can transform the way people shop, work and collaborate. Create inspiring retail environments, innovative office spaces, and dynamic training facilities.

VOC10: INTERIOR JOINERY DETAILING AND DOCUMENTATION

Design and produce a detailed, industry-standard joinery documentation package. Refine your drafting skills and effectively communicate your design intent.

VOC11: DESIGN STUDIO 5: HOSPITALITY ENVIRONMENTS

Ignite your creativity and push the boundaries of design as you craft bold, experience-driven hospitality spaces - from buzzing bars to immersive restaurants.

VOC12: CREATIVE INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH

Engage in a comprehensive investigation of architectural styles and the key factors influencing global design trends, with an emphasis on critical analysis of the cultural, social, economic, and technological forces that shape the world of design.

VOC13: DESIGN STUDIO 6: PROJECT PROCUREMENT AND COORDINATION

Develop advanced skills in procurement and project coordination, empowering you to manage a commercial interior design project from concept to completion — balancing budgets, timelines and client expectations.

VOC14: ADVANCED DIGITAL FLUENCY

Unlock the power of Revit, the industry - leading building information modelling (BIM) software. Create intricate 3D digital models, generate precise documentation, and produce automated schedules for large-scale design projects.

VOC15: COMMERCIAL INTERIOR STRUCTURES, SYSTEMS AND STANDARDS

Examine critical building structures, systems and standards that underpin successful commercial projects. Gain experience producing professional-level construction and service drawings and specifications.

VOC16: DESIGN STUDIO 7: PEOPLE, CONNECTIONS AND DESTINATIONS

Explore cutting-edge trends and future possibilities in the world of travel. Challenge the status quo by delving into visionary design concepts while balancing the practical, operational and functional aspects for designed destinations.

VOC17: DESIGN STUDIO 8: RETAIL ROLL OUT

Immerse yourself in cutting-edge retail rollout for a variety of shopping destinations. Learn the art of commercial retail lighting and produce industry-standard documentation.

VOC18: DESIGN STUDIO 9: COMMUNITY AND INCLUSIVITY

Through the lens of a multi-use project, expand your approach to design and consider accessibility, neurodiversity, and cultural inclusivity. You'll engage in case study analysis and community collaboration to develop design solutions for diverse perspectives and experiences.