**Student Success Map**

**B.F.A. in Art—Interior Design Option**

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### Essentials for Every Semester

- Meet with your major advisor and consult Advisors in SSC 220 as needed for course selection strategies. Take courses in the proper sequence.
- Meet deadlines to register, pay fees, and apply for financial aid.
- Check your DPR. Are you on-track to meet requirements?
- Complete a sufficient number of units each term (35–46 units) to graduate in four years. Some programs require more.
- Check your Student Center prior to registration for registration holds and updating your personal info.
- Check your Student Center in the first two weeks of classes to confirm your class schedule and that all adds and drops have been processed as you expected.
- Check your Student Center after each semester for your grades and academic standing. If your GPA drops below a 2.0, consult an Advisor.

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### Freshman

- Learn where to find and how to use campus resources such as the Student Learning Center, Health Center, Academic Advising, Wellness Center and your faculty advisor.
- Visit each of your instructors during their office hours. Make a point to get to know your professors.
- Obtain your Major Academic Plan (MAP). It will enable you and your advisor to plan for each semester.
- If you need preparatory math and/or English courses, complete them in your first year.
- Get to know interior design societies that are prominent on campus like American Society of Interior Designers, International Interior Design Association (IIDA), and International Facility Management Association (IFMA).
- Visit the Student Activities Office and get involved with a club or organization—start your own. Check out the Freshman Leadership Opportunity (FLO).
- Read the Book in Common (BIC) and participate in BIC activities.
- See a representative of the Office of Study Abroad and International Exchanges.
- Select courses in GE that meet the diversity requirements (US Diversity and Global cultures).
- Interested in becoming an educator? Check out the Interior Design Educators Council.
- Consider a time management workshop in the Student Learning Center.
- Use the Career Center to assess your interests, skills, and work values.

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### Sophomore

- Know how to use your Degree Progress Report (DPR) in your Student Center. Go to Academic Advising for help.
- Get advised for required major course requirements.
- Complete your GE Foundation courses. Explore GE Pathways. Consider completing an interdisciplinary minor within your GE. Consult an advisor for help.
- Consider an internship to explore your major and build professional skills. Internships provide you with valuable work experience prior to graduation.
- Join the Interior Design student club (ASID) for extracurricular activities and community activity involvement.
- Prepare for language proficiency.
- Talk to your advisor about internship opportunities, plan ahead.

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### Junior

- Apply for graduation one year in advance of your expected graduation date.
- Review your involvement, leadership, and cultural resumes. Have you participated in on- or off-campus activities such as clubs, community service, recreational opportunities, musical, dramatic or cultural performances, lectures or forums?
- If you want to study abroad, it’s time to apply.
- Network with alumni, advisory boards, and other potential employers.
- Create a portfolio with selective projects from the Design Studio courses. Consider and prepare for NCIDQ interior designer license exam. Take GRE or other appropriate exams. Apply for graduate/professional school.
- Visit the Career Center to learn about career opportunities and résumé building. Attend a career fair on campus, regularly scheduled early in fall semesters and several times during spring semesters.

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### Senior

- Confirm graduation progress with an Evaluator.
- Research areas of specialization in the Interior Design Profession based on your strengths and interests.
- Develop Senior Studio Project content based on your interests.
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**Graduation and Beyond**

**Private Sector**
- Architectural/Interior Design Stores
- Architectural/Interior Design Firms
- Teaching

**Government**
- Urban Planning

**Non-Profits**
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