

Department of Design, Housing and Merchandising

### FIRST YEAR INTERIOR DESIGN REVIEW MEMORANDUM

To: Prospective Interior Design Option Students  
From: Dr. Jane Swinney, Associate Department Head

To enter the second year of the Interior Design Degree Program at Oklahoma State University, student performance must be evaluated in the **First Year Interior Design Review**. The Review assesses **academic performance** at the college level, reading comprehension and writing ability (as demonstrated in the **Writing Review**), and visual communication abilities (as demonstrated in the **Portfolio Review**).

Students who have met the following criteria may participate in the **First Year Interior Design Review**.

1. Successfully completed 30 hrs of undergraduate coursework by August 2015
2. Minimum cumulative graduation/retention GPA of 2.5; Minimum Major GPA of 2.5, based on HS and DHM classes.
3. Completed or enrolled spring 2015 in the following interior design or major related courses listed below. A grade of "C" or better is required in DHM 1003, 1123, 2233 and ART 1303

**Required:**

DHM 1003: minimum grade of C  
DHM 1123: minimum grade of C  
DHM 2233: minimum grade of C  
ENGL 1113  
3 hrs. MATH (1513, 1483 or 1493)

**Recommended:**

ART 1303: minimum grade of C  
ART 1503 or ART 1513

4. Passed the *Writing Review*, scheduled for February 2015 in Human Sciences 202. Exact date and time to be announced in January 2015.
5. Passed the *Portfolio Review* with work/projects from DHM 1003, 1123, 2233 or their equivalent for transfer students.
  - a. All students should accumulate and organize their work/projects/class assignments.
  - b. Purchase of expensive professional portfolios is NOT required, and is discouraged.
  - c. Portfolios are due April 2015 to Human Sciences 431 the Friday of "Dead Week" by 5 pm.

Admission to the sophomore level of the Interior Design Program will be determined by a combination of GPA, portfolio quality, writing ability, and attendance records in DHM courses. A maximum of 36 students will be accepted for admission to the sophomore level. See your advisor if you have any questions.

Students entering the sophomore level are required to have their own laptop computers with appropriate software. Specifications for hardware and software will be provided during the summer of 2015.

The required text for sophomore level classes: Time Saver Standards for Interior Design and Space Planning, by Chiara, Panero, Zelnik. ISBN 0-07-134616-3. Check designer book clubs and internet vendors for best price.

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