Interior Design Program Evaluation
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1 Program Overview and Changes

The goals for the Interior Design Program have changed since the last program review conducted in 2006. They are as follows:

- Demonstrate the application of the principles and concepts of color and design throughout the creation of residential client-based projects
- Produce architecturally accurate drawings to demonstrate technical skills.
- Incorporate and articulate appropriate historical perspectives in creating residential design projects.
- Demonstrate research and evaluation skills in the selection and use of products/materials including sustainable design applications.
- Apply building and Americans with Disabilities Act codes to residential design projects.
- Demonstrate an understanding of professional practice methodology, ethics, selling techniques, and communication/listening skills.

While the goals of the Program have remained more or less constant from the last program review, change can be seen in the outcomes for the AAS Degree in Interior Design and the certificates: Kitchen and Bath Design, Interior Furnishings and the newly conceived certificate (2011), Design for Accessibility and Aging in Place.

The Associate of Applied Science in Interior Design – for 2011-12 Catalog

- Total number of credits: 103
- Interior Design Coursework: 42
- Architectural Design and Drafting Coursework: 22
- Art Coursework: 6
- General Education: 9
- Interior Design Electives: 12
- Speech: 4
- Business Administration: 3
- College Math and Writing: 8

Degree changes were made fall term 2010. ARCH 101 was removed and the ID internship course was changed to an elective. The resulting internship course, ID 280 A, CE is now conducted through the cooperative education department. The results have been very positive. Internships can now have a more personal approach.
Interior Furnishings Certificate – for 2011-12 Catalog

- Total number of credits: 41
- Interior Design Coursework: 27
- Architectural Design and Drafting Coursework: 11
- Art Coursework: 3

Changes to the certificate were made fall term 2010. Studio courses were removed and more content-based courses such as ID 236, Lighting Design and ART 215, History of American Residential Architecture were added. ID 125, Computer Drafting for Interior Designers (AutoCAD) was also added. These changes reflect skills needed for employment in the interior furnishings industry.

Kitchen and Bath Certificate – for 2011-12 Catalog

- Total number of credits: 59
- Interior Design Coursework: 34
- Architectural Design and Drafting Coursework: 13
- Art Coursework: 3
- Building Construction Technology Coursework: 2
- College Math and Writing: 7

Changes to the certificate were made fall term 2010. The first change was to reduce the overall credit hours so that this would be a one-year certificate. Imbedded related instruction was successfully proven for a one-year certificate (under 60 credit hours). ARCH 111, Working Drawing, was removed from the requirements, as was BA 238, Sales.

Design for Accessibility and Aging in Place – for 2011-12 Catalog

- Total number of credits: 49
- Interior Design Coursework: 24
- Architectural Design and Drafting Coursework: 7
- Gerontology/ Sociology: 15 credits
- Building Construction Technology Coursework: 3

Newly approved certificate to begin academic year, 2011-12. Some students are presently pursuing the requirements. Certificate addresses the once emerging and now present trend in designing residential interiors for an aging population. The certificate also addresses design skills needed for designing for all clients with decreased mobility.
Change

The goals for the Interior Design program over the last few years can be summarized under the heading of “change”. In four years the following can be noted:

1. Achievement of **NKBA Accreditation** Status thanks to hard work from JoAnn Thomas, Denise Roy, and Robin Rigby- Fisher.
2. Inclusion of **AutoCAD** in the curriculum as a means of making design documentation.
3. **Sustainability** criteria added to many courses thanks to the Denise Roy and the National Science Foundation Grant for technical educators awarded academic year, 2008-09. Amanda Ferroggiaro participated in the grant and the “externships” (see **Faculty**)
4. Interior Design “rendering” in color using pencils and markers. This skill is now imbedded in four interior design courses.
5. Aging in Place and Universal Design
2 Curriculum

A. Course level outcomes:

The Interior Design Program has seen a lot of change over the last few years. What is interesting is that the CCOG’s have more or less stayed the same. What has changed is the way the interior design students communicate their design intent. ARCH 127, Google Sketch-Up, is now a required course. This course was made a degree requirement fall term 2009. This is a signifier of how important it is that interior design students be able to manipulate three-dimensional space in a computer program.

B & C. Addressing and Assessing College Core outcomes:

The assessment committee approved the assessment plan for the interior design program to be done June 20 of this year. The interior design program successfully outlined a method of proving how the core outcomes are reflected in the curriculum (see appendix for this plan).

D. Distance Modality:

Currently no courses are offered in an on-line format. There are plans, however, for Amanda Ferroggiaro to undergo training Summer of 2011 and to make changes to the History of Furniture Sequence, ID 122 and 123, so that they may become online courses.

E. The Subject Area Chair for Interior Design

The Interior Design SAC has made changes in the curriculum in two areas as a result of industry change. From the NSF Grant for Technical Educators sprang a new certificate after faculty member Amanda Ferroggiaro had time to network with industry and to discover that designing for longevity and all mobility (Aging in Place) was necessary criteria for the program.

There have been two service-learning activities within the Interior Design curriculum in the last few years. See Students. These service-learning experiences have provided a springboard for many more ideas.

F. Significant changes to Interior Design Curriculum

Please see the table that follows:
## Changes made to the Interior Design Curriculum 2007-2011

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<th>Criteria Needed</th>
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<td>ID 131 Introduction to Interiors</td>
<td>Overview of the practice of interior design. Rendering (coloring) of drawings.</td>
<td>A new final project involves the students in every aspect of an interior design installation. There are two in-class, hands-on exercises on the application of color. Students are required to create a rendered (colored) project that is formal presentation quality.</td>
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<td>ID 120 Materials/Products for Interior Design</td>
<td>Application of material solutions beyond the knowledge of material attributes. Rendering (coloring) of drawings.</td>
<td>Exams now include problem-solving questions that include sketching design solutions. Students are required to create a rendered (colored) project that is formal presentation quality.</td>
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<td>ID 125 Computer Drafting for Interiors</td>
<td>An industry standard needed to be chosen.</td>
<td>ID 125 is now AutoCAD. This program provides a more relevant skill for interior design students.</td>
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<td>ID 132 Planning Interiors</td>
<td>Aging in Place client profiles</td>
<td>This studio is now based on providing a complete design solution for an older adult client.</td>
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<td>ID 133 Space Planning</td>
<td>Americans with Disabilities Act compliance/ knowledge.</td>
<td>This studio incorporates light commercial criteria as well as residential.</td>
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<td>ID 230 Textiles for Interior Design</td>
<td>More Interior Design project-based or hands on work needed. Change from general textile content.</td>
<td>Two application/ hands-on projects are required. One project involves the creation of window treatments of historical nature.</td>
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<td>ID 234 Advanced Interiors</td>
<td>Presentation techniques needed that include a digital package.</td>
<td>Students have the option to work in a digital, more up to date format</td>
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<tr>
<td>ID 238 Advanced Kitchen and Bath</td>
<td>Need for higher scores through the NKBA for accreditation.</td>
<td>The NKBA Student Design Competition was adopted to provide students a format to excel. 2010 scores were very good.</td>
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<td>ID 240 Interior Design Internship</td>
<td>Individualized placement in positions needed. Oversight of supervisors and students required.</td>
<td>ID 280 A. CE: Now coordinated between Faculty Department Chair and the Cooperative Education Department. Students can now do their internship during all terms at the college.</td>
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3 Students

![Image of students in a library setting]

*Daybreak Day-use Homeless Shelter Service Learning, WI '08*

A. Student Demographics:

The interior design program sees its largest student group in the 31-40 year old range. Interesting enough, age groups on either side of this one are well represented. The age range or distribution remained fairly constant from school year 2005-06. The last school year, 2009-10 looked like this:

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*Statistics from the SAS System, Portland Community College*

Where the Interior Design Program boasts age diversity, it lacks in ethnic diversity. In 2009-10 86.3% of the 211 responding students self-identified as White/ Non-Hispanic. This is not surprising given the profession and the city of Portland this program serves.

There has been a shift in gender diversity. In 2007-08 it was reported that 13.8 % of the 268 students enrolled in interior design courses were male. During the academic year 2009-10, 21.2% were male.

B. Current and Projected Demand on Enrollment

Full time enrollment dropped slightly from 2005-06 to 2009-10. During the 2005-06 academic year there were 60 full-time students in interior design. This number dropped to 54 during 2009-2010. There was a steady “downward” trend as the economy suffered and most trades involved with building, remodeling and design suffered.
Enrollment in the interior design courses increased from 261 students in 2005-06 to 280 in during 2009-10. This change is due to both a relative steady enrollment in full time students and to the inclusion of interior design courses in other degrees and certificates through the Architectural Design and Drafting Department.

**C. Strategies to promote access and diversity**

Projected strategies to increase enrollment revolve around professional outreach and relating to market trends. The new certificate, Design for Accessibility and Aging in Place (DAAP) responds to the fact that the “first baby boomers” turn 65 this year, 2011.

The department has plans for outreach to high schools. This has the potential to increase the level of ethnic diversity in the program. Please see chapter 7, “Recommendations”

**D. Feedback**

If one were to attend a meeting of a local interior design professional group, chances are the topic would involve how to continue to weather the recession. Since 2008 the interior design profession has suffered severely. This is a national as well as a local trend.

Consequently, the Bureau of Labor Statistics projects for the years 2008-2018:

> Employment of Interior Designers is expected to grow 19 percent from 2008-2018, faster than the average for all occupations

However, there are some caveats. The Bureau predicts most of this increase to be seen in the healthcare industries. We cannot deny the impact of this observation on our residential program. The report continues:

> Interior Designers are expected to face keen competition for available positions because many talented individuals are attracted to this profession.

The report continues:

> Individuals with little or no formal training in interior design, as well as those lacking creativity and perseverance, will find in a very difficult to establish and maintain a career in this occupation.

The Interior Design department has responded to this report by increasing skills required of interior designers: AutoCAD, Google Sketch-Up and the creation of specifications while also embracing on-trend sectors such as Aging in Place and Accessible Design.
Student Questionnaires

Student questionnaires received from the graduation class of 2008 contained common sentiments from Interior Design students. The most common responses to the question, “What could PCC have offered to better prepare you” were:

1. More CAD courses
2. More internship time

These comments were taken seriously and change was made to increase the CAD course requirements for the degree (up to 6 credits: 3 for AutoCAD and 3 for Google Sketch-Up). Change was also made to the internship so that students now have the freedom to participate in an internship in a term other than their last spring term in the program.

Service Learning and Students

Service learning provides a platform for students to have hands-on and “real world” (something students are always asking for) experience. Answers to the reflection questions often focus on the client contact students were allowed or the professional relationship that was needed.

In this time of economic turmoil, students of interior design must consider many avenues they can take to network, meet new people and learn about specific sectors that might be open to them. It is a time of increased pressure on the ability to think creatively and with agility.
Student Awards and Recognition

Fritz Koch with his award winning project  

Sonia Singh, Angela DeSilva, Kelsey Erdmann and Suzie Dahl at NWSID Student Day

**Fritz Koch**, First Place, Residential Design, IIDA/ ASID Student Day, 2009

**Fritz Koch**, First Place, Kitchen and Bath Design, IIDA/ ASID Student Day, 2009

**Suzie Dahl**, Second Place, Kitchen and Bath Design, IIDA/ ASID Student Day, 2009

**Anat Levinger**, Third Place, Kitchen and Bath Design, IIDA/ ASID Student Day, 2009

**Sonia Singh, Angela DeSilva, Kelsey Erdmann** and **Suzie Dahl**, NWSID Student Day
Students displayed their work and were awarded a free year-long membership to NWSID.

**Bettina Rasmussen**, NKBA Student Design Competition, 3rd Place Kitchen Design 2010-2011. Award included $1500 and an all expenses paid trip to the award ceremony in Las Vegas, NV.

Bettina’s award-winning kitchen design
4 Faculty

The interior design department boasts one full-time instructor. Amanda Ferroggiaro serves in this position as well as Faculty Department Chair and SAC Chair. It is understood that the department is very close to achieving the status necessary to hire another full time faculty member. Until this time the department relies on a group of very talented and dedicated adjunct faculty:

### Interior Design Department Faculty – Full Time

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<tr>
<td>Amanda Ferroggiaro</td>
<td>MA, NCIDQ*</td>
<td>ID 131, ID 120, ID 132, ID 138, ID 236, ID 234, ID 280</td>
<td>The Art Institute of Portland 2004-07</td>
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### Interior Design Department Faculty – Adjunct

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<td>Rebecca Abraham</td>
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<td>Martin Ballmer</td>
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<td>Stephanie Brown</td>
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<td>Marylhurst University</td>
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<td>Ellen Cusick</td>
<td>CAPS</td>
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<td>The Art Institute of Portland</td>
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<td>Robin Fisher</td>
<td>CMKD, CAPS</td>
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<td>Michele Kremers</td>
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<td>Marylhurst University</td>
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<td>Dorothy Payton</td>
<td>MA, LEED AP, CAPS</td>
<td>ID 121</td>
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<td>Michelle Mueller</td>
<td>LEED AP, CAPS</td>
<td>ID 133</td>
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CMKD: Certified Master Kitchen Designer, through the National Kitchen and Bath Asso.
CAPS: Certified Aging in Place Specialist
LEED: Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

### Areas of expertise necessary for the interior design faculty to provide:

- Cultural/Historical
- Design Theory/Application of Principles and Elements
- Design Theory/Programming for clients’ needs
- Sustainability (includes design for all abilities and ages)
- Building and Construction Knowledge
- Graphic Communication (drawing)
- Technical (Computer Drafting and 3-D Modeling)
- Context of the Profession/Professional Practice.
Currently the Interior Design profession relies on the Architectural Design and Drafting Department to provide

- Building and Construction Knowledge
- Graphic Communication (drawing)

*However, interior design drawing style is emphasized in other ID courses*
- Technical (Computer Drafting and 3-D Modeling)

Interior Design faculty MUST stay current on changes in the profession, sustainability and technical knowledge.

Instructor Qualifications:
What has been seen is that instructors with a working knowledge of AutoCAD have been assigned studio courses. This is needed due to the quick assimilation of AutoCAD in the studio courses: ID 132 Planning Interiors, ID 133 Space Planning, ID 138 Intro to Kitchen and Bath Planning, ID 238, Advanced Kitchen and Bath Planning, and ID 234, Advanced Interiors.

Faculty professional development:
Participation in the NSF Grant by Amanda has had an enormous impact on the perspective of the Interior Design Department. Now, issues of sustainability as they relate to the practice of interior design are incorporated into almost the entire interior design curriculum.

This past year, Todd Sanders and Denise Roy co-P.I’s for the grant awarded funds to part time interior design faculty so that they may get Certified Aging in Place Specialist (CAPS) certification through the Home Builders Associate (HBA). This was a very fortuitous event whereby four adjunct faculty members are now CAPS certified.

This new certification has already begun to have an effect on the interior design curriculum, with accessibility criteria now a cornerstone of ID 132, Planning Interiors, and Space Planning, ID 133 taught by Michelle Mueller, one of the CAPS-certified adjunct instructors.
5 Facilities and Support

Currently, the classrooms that house interior design courses are well endowed with projector podiums and necessary audio/visual technology.

ST-236 on the Sylvania Campus, the main interior design classroom is in desperate need of lighting controls. Once outfitted with a dimming system, the lighting was “repaired” to be an on-off system with “on” being “full illumination”. This lighting level is far too high and is especially distracting during evening courses.

ST-236 will need to offer the Adobe Suite or Photoshop software in the very near future. The Program is behind the curve considerably with its ability to offer courses in this software. Knowledge of Photoshop and Illustrator are, for many positions associated with interior design, necessary for students seeking employment.

ST-236 needs a staffed (part time) materials room. A working materials sourcing room is crucial to student success in interior design. Staffing is needed to maintain the state of the room and the current nature of the products it offers for “sampling”.

Outside of the classroom, interior design students use the Sylvania campus as a sort of observation laboratory. “Field trips” are made to the library to observe lighting techniques. Introductory students are sent on a materials “scavenger hunt” that involves looking for twenty one materials within the CC, TBD and Library buildings.

Advising

The Interior Design program would not be able to serve the students as it does now without Student Support Specialist, Choul Wou. The impact Choul has had on the Program and the students has been remarkable. Choul serves as academic advisor and confidant to many interior design students. Her role serves the Faculty Department Chair greatly. The FDC for Interior Design would not be able to serve on the committees and perform both Department Chair and SAC duties if Choul was not as talented as she is.

Scheduling of interior design courses is done by Elizabeth Metcalf, Architectural Design and Drafting Co-chair, with input from Amanda. This is very important as Elizabeth can be the one person to go to for room needs and assignments. In the last year it was decided that evening courses that once met twice a week would meet once a week for a longer class time. This has been very popular with students and enrollment has increased.
### 6 Interior Design as a Career Technical Education Program

The Advisory Committee for the Interior Design Program has had profound influence on technology, curriculum and direction. Participants over the years have been:

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<td>Contract Furnishings Mart</td>
<td>2011</td>
<td>NKBA Membership Chair, PCC Interior Design AAS Graduate</td>
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<td>Ellen Cusisk</td>
<td>Siteworks Ellen Cusick Interior Design</td>
<td>2008</td>
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<td>Suzie Dahl</td>
<td>Suzie Dahl Interiors and Building Inspection</td>
<td>2011</td>
<td>NKBA, PCC Interior Design AAS Graduate</td>
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<td>Molly J. Deas</td>
<td>The Art Institute of Portland</td>
<td>2008</td>
<td>Department Director, Interior Design</td>
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<td>JJ DeSouza</td>
<td>Digs Inside &amp; Out, Owner</td>
<td>2008</td>
<td>PCC Interior Design AAS Graduate</td>
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<tr>
<td>Todd Dewey</td>
<td>JD Madison, Owner</td>
<td>2011</td>
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<td>Susan Grady</td>
<td>Susan Grady Interior Design</td>
<td>2008, 2009</td>
<td>Past NWSID President</td>
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<td>Kimberlee Jaynes</td>
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<td>Fritz Koch</td>
<td>Pro Build</td>
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<td>Sharon Olsen</td>
<td>Designers Edge</td>
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<td>John Thompson</td>
<td>Wayne Martin, John Thompson Interiors</td>
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Issues Decided with Input from the Advisory Board:

Advisory Board 2008:
Lead topic for input: *What computer assisted drafting program is most needed by the interior design industry?*

Answer: AutoCAD

Result: The Interior Design Program adopts AutoCAD as its drafting program of choice. Chief Architect is dropped from the program.

Advisory Board 2009:
Lead topic for input: *What about Aging in Place? Should the department pursue curriculum containing this area of expertise? What about sustainability?*

Result: With resounding support for Aging in Place and Designing for all abilities the Interior Design Program moved forward with plans for Design for Accessibility and Aging in Place, DAAP.

Result: Sustainability was no longer a “side” topic but one to be incorporated into almost all parts of an interior design project.

Advisory Board 2011:
Lead topic for input: *What about the economy? What should students of interior design be focusing on?*

Result: While the economic outlook remains weak, the advisory board was enthusiastic about the idea of specialization and refinement of work. Communication is crucial and students must make every effort to learn strong skills and create visually compelling work to show potential employers.
Lead topic for input II: *What about Interior Design Legislation?* *House Bill 2491 was introduced to the Oregon Legislature in January of this year.* It concerns the creation of a title act. *How does this affect PCC Students?*

Result: As expected this was an emotional topic. The creation of a title, Registered Interior Designer in this bill requires individuals to have a Bachelors degree in interior design.

Conversation: Important not to let this be divisive. The NKBA nationally works to defeat all state-sponsored interior design legislation.

Update: HB 2491 did not move forward this year.

**THANK YOU, ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS!**
6 Interior Design as a Career Technical Education Program

Degree and Certificate Outcomes

Over the last four years considerable change has been made to the outcomes of the AAS degree and the interior design certificates. Most of these changes took place fall term 2010. In fact, before them there were no published outcomes for the Interior Furnishings certificate!

The outcomes and the related assessment are as follows:

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<td>Demonstrate the application of the principles and concepts of color and design through the creation of residential client-based projects</td>
<td>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Communication</td>
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<td>Produce architecturally accurate drawings to demonstrate technical skills</td>
<td>Communication</td>
<td>ARCH 111, Working Drawings, project set</td>
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<td>Incorporate and articulate appropriate historical perspectives in creating residential projects</td>
<td>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Self Reflection</td>
<td>ID 132 Planning Interiors and ID 234, Advanced Interiors, solving for client needs &amp; concepts boards</td>
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<td>Demonstrate research and evaluation skills in the selection and use of products/materials including sustainable design applications.</td>
<td>Community and Environmental Responsibility</td>
<td>ID 121, Sustainable Materials, final project</td>
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<td>Apply building and Americans with Disability Act codes to residential design projects</td>
<td>Cultural Awareness</td>
<td>ID 133, Space Planning capstone project.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate an understanding of professional practice methodology, ethics, selling techniques, and communication/listening skills</td>
<td>Professional Competence</td>
<td>ID 135, Professional Practice, final project</td>
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<td>Demonstrate skills in leadership, negotiation, interpersonal and teamwork communication</td>
<td>Communication, Professional Competence, Self Reflection</td>
<td>ID 121, Sustainable Materials, team project.</td>
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Changes to the Degree

Changes to the degree based on industry need and input are outlined in the Curriculum section. Please see table of courses and changes made there.
Digs Inside and Out, a retail store with design services in NE Portland, Owner is JJ de Souza, a PCC Interior Design graduate.

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<td>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Professional Competence</td>
<td>ID 120, Materials/Products for Interior Design, ID 230, Textiles for Interiors. Exam competency, final projects.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate skills associated with the sales industry side of the interior design and decorating professions.</td>
<td>Communication, Professional Competence</td>
<td>BA 238, Sales, ID 135 Professional Practice, Final Project.</td>
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Academic changes to the Interior Furnishings Certificate are shown in the Curriculum section. Outcomes for this certificate are new this year and will be published in the 2011-12 Catalog.
Kitchen and Bath Certificate

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<td>Identify aesthetic and spatial requirements for a project, by observation of space and client interview; create design solutions using elements and principles of design.</td>
<td>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Communication</td>
<td>ID 138, Intro to Kitchen and Bath Planning, Final Project</td>
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<td>Apply universal and accessible design criteria to meet client needs.</td>
<td>Communication</td>
<td>ID 132, Planning Interiors, Final Accessible Design</td>
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<td>Incorporate environmental considerations, using knowledge of sustainable building practices and specification of sustainable products, materials and appliances.</td>
<td>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Self Reflection</td>
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<td>Prepare contract documents, using industry standards for written and graphic communication.</td>
<td>Communication</td>
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<td>Upon completion of the DAAP Certificate a student should be able to identify design criteria required for universally-designed residential interiors.</td>
<td>Critical Thinking and Problem Solving</td>
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<td>Upon completion of the DAAP Certificate a student should be able to consult with other designers, builders and architects on design requirements for interiors that do not discriminate based on the ability of clients and users.</td>
<td>Communication</td>
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The DAAP Certificate is new and will be in the 2011-12 Catalog.
6  Interior Design as a Career Technical Education Program

Job Placement and Compensation for Students

Current economic conditions have made finding a job as a designer or in related fields such as kitchen and bath design, sales and design marketing difficult for our graduates.

In 2007 nineteen interior design students were placed in internships all within the same spring term.

Spring term 2010 saw the dismantling of the internship program to provide individualized positions and to run the program as a combined effort between Interior Design and Cooperative Ed.

Employment Outcomes of PCC Degree – Attainers with Career/ Technical Majors reports the following data for Degree Cohort 2008-07 for calendar year 2008:

Median Hourly Range: $20.90.  This ranged from $17.45 (low) to $24.36 (high)

PCC Interior Design Questionnaire conducted in 2008 and sent to graduates from years 2005-07 reported the following:

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Total number of graduates reporting: 15

The department counsels students that the hourly wage for entry level interior designers and draftspersons is $15-$20/ hour.

Sales positions are difficult to quantify as they are often compensated greatly with a commission. These positions are in the furnishings industry primarily.

Other areas where students have found work:

Light fixture sales
Professional Organization
Home Staging for Real Estate sales
Sales for interior design product: showroom sales
Job Placement and Compensation Summary
To summarize, it is a difficult time for interior design and the prospects for interior design students are not as strong as they were three years ago. Enrollment in interior design courses continues to climb and this is due in large part from three factors:

1. New focus on accessibility and aging in place
2. The inclusion of interior design coursework in the Residential Design Degree through Architectural Design and Drafting Department
3. Students are seeking a rewarding profession and to go back to school for a creative profession.

The AARP, American Association of Retired Persons has stated in their Fact Sheet on Housing Policy Solutions to Support Aging in Place, “the demand for quality, affordable, accessible housing in close proximity to services and other amenities will only increase”. (March 2010)

Barriers for Students
Time and money are the two biggest factors to students not completing a degree or certificate within the Interior Design program. Design courses by nature are very time consuming. The flexibility that PCC offers students to take time off and then return is very helpful to many students.

The presence of the Interior Design Collaborative of Oregon which seeks to introduce and help pass legislation regarding the practice of interior design is not an entirely positive force for our students. The latest attempt, House Bill 2491 introduced by the group in January of this year sought to create a title of “Registered Interior Designer” that would require such an individual to have a four year degree. While this is intended not to affect designers who work solely on single family residences, the bill was still considered “too broad” in its scope and did not pass committee review.

Interior Design organizations that support our students are:

The American Society of Interior Designers, ASID
The National Kitchen and Bath Association, NKBA
The Northwest Society of Interior Designers, NWSID
Recommendations

1. Hire one additional full time instructor in Interior Design. This would provide more opportunity for collaboration between faculty and department chair. There would be diversity in SAC decisions. There would be more faculty presence in the department.

2. Create a course in digital rendering for design that would teach students Adobe Photoshop and InDesign programs.

3. Reach out to high school students in many areas that PCC serves. Present the prospect of Interior Design as a course of study and profession. This is to promote diversity in the program.

4. Staff the Materials Room (this appears to be happening as this document is taking shape)

5. Professional development funds for faculty and technology – perhaps release time for full time faculty to take courses in AutoCAD and Sketch Up

6. Create a light box lab for installation in the materials room. This will aid in the instruction of lighting and give students hands on experience with various light sources.

7. Create reference boards to be mounted around ST-236: architectural trim styles, materials, detailing ideas. This could take place along the same time as the renovations to the ST building from the bond measure take shape.
Career and Program Description
Interior designers specialize in creating uniquely defined environments that cater to the spatial needs and functional requirements of its user, drawing from a diverse set of skills. Students in this program learn to apply design principles and techniques to professional planning, equipping, and furnishing of residential interior spaces. Specializations within the program of study also include Kitchen & Bath Design and Sustainable Building Design.

Degree and Certificates Offered
Associate of Applied Science Degree
Interior Design

Two-Year Certificate
Kitchen and Bath

Less than One-Year Certificate
Interior Furnishings
Sustainable Building

Prerequisites and Requirements
College level reading and writing skills and basic math skills are required. Individual courses may have prerequisites which are included in the course description. A C or better is required in all coursework in this major. Pass/No Pass grades are not accepted for interior design coursework.

PCC's Interior Design program is the only two-year degree program in residential interior design available in Oregon and Southern Washington. Our graduates are sought by employers for their unique abilities: adept design problem solving, ability to draw from historical traditions, and effective communication skills. The curriculum includes a range of courses from Interior Design, Architecture, Art and Business. Students gain hands-on experience through an internship program. Articulation agreements are in place with several local colleges for those wanting to pursue related bachelor degrees.

The degree program prepares students for an entry-level position as an interior designer, or for more advanced placement in the wholesale or retail sales business. Emphasis is placed on a broad scope of courses which are application-oriented. Students must finish the Interior Furnishings Certificate before or concurrently with this option.

INTERIOR DESIGN AAS DEGREE
Minimum 103 credit hours. Students must also meet Associate Degree Comprehensive Requirements and Associate of Applied Science Requirements. Students must complete a total of sixteen credits of General Education. Some courses specified within the program may be used as General Education. Students should consult with program advisors for course planning.

Interior Design Degree Credit Summary
ID 42
ARCH 25
Remaining General Education 9
ART 6
ID Degree Electives 6
SP 4
WR 4
MTH 4
BA 3
Credit Total 103
# Course of Study

The coursework listed below is required. The following is an example of a term-by-term breakdown.

## First Term
- ARCH 110 Introduction to Architectural Drawing 2
- ID 131 Introduction to Interiors 3
- ART 131 Introduction to Drawing* 3
- General Education 4
- MTH 65 Introductory Algebra 4

## Second Term
- ID 125 Computer Drafting for Interior Designers 3
- ARCH 100 Graphic Communication for Designers 3
- ARCH 124 Introduction to Building Systems 3
- ID 120 Interior Products and Materials I 3
- WR 121 E English Composition 4

## Third Term
- ID 236 Lighting Design 3
- ID 132 Planning Interiors 3
- ARCH 200 Principles of Architectural Design 4
- SP 130 Business & Professional Speech Communication* 4
  or
  SP 111 Public Speaking* 4

## Fourth Term
- ID 133 Space Planning and Design 3
- ID 138 Introduction to Kitchen and Bath Planning 3
- ARCH 101 Architecture Graphics I 3
- ARCH 132 Residential Building Codes 2
- ID 122 History of Furniture-Ancient to 1800 3

## Fifth Term
- ART 215 History of American Res Architecture 3
- ID 135 Professional Practices for Designers 3
- ARCH 111 Working Drawings I 3
- ID 121 Sustainable Materials for Residential Interiors 3
- ID 123 History of Furniture-1800 to Present 3
- ARCH 121 Structural Systems I 2
- ARCH 127 Introduction to Google Sketch-Up 3
- ID Degree Electives 3

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## Sixth Term
- ID 234 Advanced Interiors 3
- ID 240 Interior Design Internship 3
- BA 238 Sales 3
- General Education 5
- ID Degree Electives 3

*Could be used as General Education

## Interior Design Degree Electives
- ART 115 Basic Design 3
- ART 116 Basic Design 3
- BCT 244 Kitchen and Bath Cabinet Installation 2
- ID 225 CAD for Kitchen and Bath Design 1
- ID 238 Advanced Kitchen and Bath Planning 3
- ID 280A CE: Kitchen and Bath varied
KIT CHEN AND BAT H CERTIFICATE
Minimum 62 credit hours. Students must also meet certificate requirements.
The Kitchen and Bath Certificate is a related certificate. All
courses within the certificate are contained in the Interior Design AAS
Degree.
Kitchen and Bath Certificate Summary
ID 31
ARCH 15
BCT 2
BA 3
ART 3
WR 4
MTH 4
Credit Total 62
Course of Study
The coursework listed below is required. The following is an example
of a term-by-term breakdown.
First Term
ARCH 100 Graphic Communication for Designers 3
ARCH 110 Introduction to Architectural Drawing 2
ARCH 124 Introduction to Building Systems 3
ID 125 Computer Drafting for Interior Designers 3
ID 131 Introduction to Interiors 3
Second Term
ID 121 Sustainable Materials for Residential Interiors 3
ID 132 Planning Interiors 3
ID 133 Space Planning 3
ID 138 Introduction to Kitchen and Bath Planning 3
WR 121 English Composition (or higher) 4
Third Term
BCT 244 Kitchen and Bath Cabinet Installation 2
ID 135 Professional Practice for Designers 3
ID 225 CAD for Kitchen and Bath Design 1
ID 236 Lighting Design 3
ID 238 Advanced Kitchen and Bath Planning 3
Fourth Term
ARCH 111 Working Drawings I 3
ARCH 121 Structural Systems I 2
ARCH 132 Residential Building Code 2
ART 215 History of American Residential Architecture 3
BA 238 Sales 3
ID 280A CE: Kitchen and Bath 3
MTH 65 Introductory Algebra (or higher) 4

SUSTAINABLE BUILDING CERTIFICATE
Minimum 42 credit hours. Students must also meet comprehensive certificate
requirements.
Sustainable Building Certificate Summary
ARCH 24
ESR 4
PHL 4
SOC 4
BCT 3
ID 3
Credit Total 42
Course of Study
The coursework listed below is required. The following is an example
of a term-by-term breakdown.
First Term
ARCH 101 Arch Graphics I 3
ARCH 124 Introduction to Building Systems 3
ARCH 131 Sustainable Building Strategies 4
ESR 171 Environmental Science 4
Or ESR 172 Environmental Science 4
Second Term
ARCH 224 Passive & Active Bldg Systems 4
BCT 206 Sustainable Const. Practices 3
ID 121 Sustainable Materials for Res Interiors 3
PHL 206 Environmental Ethics 4

Third Term
ARCH 113 Site Planning 2
ARCH 204 Green Residential Studio 4
ARCH 280 CE: Arch Drafting 4
SO C 228 Environmental Sociology 4

INTERIOR FURNISHINGS CERTIFICATE
Minimum 41 credit hours. Students must also meet comprehensive certificate requirements. The Interior Furnishings Certificate is a related certificate. All courses within the certificate are in the Interior Design AAS Degree.

Interior Furnishings Certificate Summary
ID 27
ARCH 8
ART 3
BA 3
Credit Total 41

Course of Study
The coursework listed below is required. The following is an example of a term-by-term breakdown.

First Term
ARCH 110 Introduction to Architectural Drawing 2
ID 131 Introduction to Interiors 3
ART 131 Introduction to Drawing 3
ARCH 124 Introduction to Building Systems 3
ID 122 History of Furniture- Ancient to 1800 3

Second Term
ARCH 100 Graphic Communication for Designers 3
BA 238 Sales 3
ID 120 Interior Products and Materials I 3
ID 123 History of Furniture-1880 to Present 3
ID 132 Planning Interiors 3

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Third Term
ID 121 Sustainable Materials for Residential Interiors 3
ID 125 Computer Drafting for Interior Designers 3

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ID 120 Interior Products and Materials I 3 Analysis and evaluation of products utilized in the design profession including selecting case goods and upholstered goods, and emphasis on measuring and specifying floor coverings and window treatments. This course is recommended for ID 121, Interior Products/Materials II. Prerequisite: ID 131; WR 115 or placement into WR 121; MTH 20 or placement into MTH 60.

ID 121 Sustainable Materials for Residential Interiors 3 Analysis and evaluates materials utilized in interior design including walls, ceilings, counters, accessories, and other products. Prerequisites: ID 120, WR 115 or placement into WR 121; MTH 20 or placement into MTH 60.

ID 122 History of Furniture-Ancient to 1800 3 Studies and analyzes styles of furnishings from antiquity through the 18th century. Includes contemporary usage as well as the mixing of period furniture styles.

ID 123 History of Furniture-1800 to Present 3 Studies and analyzes furnishings from the 19th century to the present. Includes contemporary usage as well as the mixing of period furniture styles. Prerequisites: ID 122; WR 115 or placement into WR 121.

ID 125 Computer Drafting for Interior Designers 3 Introduces AutoCAD software as a design and drafting tool for architecture and interior design. Only one of ID 125, ARCH 126, or DFT 126 can be taken for credit. Prerequisite: ID 131. Prerequisite/concurrent: ID 132.
ID 131 Introduction to Interiors 3 A study of the design elements and principles as applied to interiors. Includes skill development in drawing floor plans, analyzing furniture arrangement, and basic techniques for creating interior design presentation boards including floor plans, color boards, and elevation drawings. Prerequisite/concurrent: ARCH 110.

ID 132 Planning Interiors 3 Covers designing interiors utilizing design and furniture arrangement skills, and developing skills in selection of furniture, floor coverings, wall and window treatments, color, fabric and pattern, lighting and accessories. Prerequisites: (ARCH 126 or ID 125), ARCH 110, ID 131

ID 133 Space Planning 3 Studies functional and aesthetic design requirements in residential space planning, kitchens and storage spaces. Relates housing aspects to needs of individuals, families, and special groups. Prerequisites: ID 131 or ARCH 201, ARCH 110, ARCH 124, and placement into MTH 60 and WR 121. Prerequisite/Concurrent: ARCH 100.

ID 135 Professional Practices for Designers 3 Covers the business aspects of Design. Includes topics on ethics, contracts, licensing, ordering, client-designer relationships, costs, billing and fee structures, and legal considerations. Prerequisites: (ID 132 or ID 133) AND placement into MTH 60.

ID 138 Introduction to Kitchen and Bath Planning 3 Incorporates basic functional and aesthetic design principles for residential kitchen and bath planning, and chronicles the kitchen and bath planning process from conceptual design to construction completion. Prerequisites: ID 131, (ID 125 or ARCH 126 or BCT 105)

ID 225 CAD for Kitchen and Bath Design 1 Introduces kitchen and bath design software as a drafting tool and its applications to the kitchen and bath planner. Covers the creation, retrieval and modification of drawings using basic commands. Advances prior knowledge of Kitchen and Bath design skills. Prerequisites: ID 138, ID 125 or ARCH 126 or BCT 105.

ID 230 Textiles for Interiors 3 Provides students with knowledge and critical thinking skills required for the identification, selection, usage and care of textile products. Prerequisite: WR 115 or placement into WR 121.

ID 234 Advanced Interiors 3 Creative problems in interior design intended to develop an analytical approach to interiors. Based upon individual projects and includes advanced presentation skills. Prerequisites: ID 121, 123, 132, 133, 138; ARCH 101, 111, 124, 127. Prerequisite/concurrent: ID 135.

ID 236 Lighting Design 3 A study of interior lighting as it relates to residential interiors including terminology, lamps, fixtures, cost factors, developing lighting plans, design techniques and energy saving concerns. Prerequisites: ARCH 110; ID 131 or ARCH 201; Placement into MTH 60 and WR 121.

ID 238 Advanced Kitchen and Bath Planning 3 Incorporates advanced understanding of design principles and elements to analyze and evaluate functionality and aesthetic principles for residential kitchen and bath planning. Includes Universal Design as it relates to the kitchen and bath and incorporates an advanced understanding of the guidelines as established by the National Kitchen and Bath Association. Prerequisites: (ID 138 or ARCH 121 or BCT 229); (ARCH 132 or INSP 151) Prerequisite/concurrent: ID 225.

ID 240 Interior Design Internship 3 Supervised and educationally directed internship. Weekly lectures relate on-the-job experiences with academic program. Prerequisites: ID 120, 121, 122, 123, 131, 132, 133, 135, 138, 236; ARCH 101, 111, 124. A "C" grade or better is required in all prerequisites.

ID 280A Cooperative Education: Kitchen and Bath Work or observe on approved job sites. Student receives as varied and complete an experience as possible under job conditions. Credits are variable and based on the number of clock hours students spend on job site. Must be coordinated with the supervisor, instructor, and cooperative education specialist. Department permission required.
### Plan for Assessment of Program Outcomes: Associate of Applied Science in Interior Design
Portland Community College. Amanda Ferroggiaro, SAC Chair for Interior Design

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<td>Demonstrate the application of the principles and concepts of color and design through the creation of residential client-based projects.</td>
<td>ID 131 Introduction to Interiors</td>
<td>In class exercise on color</td>
<td>Fall 2010, Winter 2010</td>
<td>Students create and then critique various color schemes using materials for interior design based on color theory.</td>
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<td>ID 236 Lighting Design</td>
<td>Project 1 – Entry Lighting</td>
<td>Fall 2010, Spring 2011</td>
<td>Students answer the design challenge with appropriate lighting specification and color selection.</td>
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<td>Produce architecturally accurate drawings to demonstrate technical skills.</td>
<td>ARCH 111 Working Drawings</td>
<td>Final Project Drawing Set</td>
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<td>Capstone project: a complete set of construction documents for a small house. Drawings are executed according to established architectural standards.</td>
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<td>ID138 Introduction to Kitchen and Bath Planning</td>
<td>Final Project Drawing Set</td>
<td>Winter 2011</td>
<td>Final project: complete set of drawings for a kitchen and bathroom drafted to NKBA (National Kitchen and Bath Association) standards.</td>
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<td>Incorporate and articulate appropriate historical perspectives in creating residential design projects.</td>
<td>ID 123 History of Furniture – Ancient/1800</td>
<td>Notebook Project</td>
<td>Fall 2010</td>
<td>Students produce a compilation of the historical design styles from antiquity through the 19th c. Includes a contemporary interpretation of these styles.</td>
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<td>Group Project – Design Styles</td>
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<td>Group project analyzing the work of a contemporary</td>
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<td>Demonstrate research and evaluation skills in the selection and use of products/materials including sustainable design applications.</td>
<td>ID 120</td>
<td>Final Project – Kitchen Design</td>
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<td>Students specify thirteen materials for a large kitchen.</td>
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<td>ID 121</td>
<td>Group Project – Airstream Trailer</td>
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<td>Full selection and specification of materials based on sustainability research for a small residential project.</td>
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<td>Apply building and Americans with Disability Act codes to residential design projects</td>
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<td>Final Exam</td>
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<td>Adaptive Reuse project</td>
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<td>Demonstrate an understanding of professional practice methodology, ethics, selling techniques, and communication/listening skills</td>
<td>ID 131</td>
<td>Office Project Presentation</td>
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<td>Students are given instruction on how to present their final design solution to the class and their future clients.</td>
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<td>Final Notebook Project</td>
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<td>Students produce formal specifications, contracts and sales contracts for this course.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate skills in leadership, negotiation, interpersonal and teamwork communication.</td>
<td>ID 121</td>
<td>Group Project – Airstream Trailer</td>
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<td>Students work in a team throughout the term to conceive of and execute a design for a client to whom they present their design solution to.</td>
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| | ID 234 | Final Design Project – Capstone Degree Project | Spring 2011 | Students work individually with an actual client to provide design solutions for three areas of the client’s home. Students are in contact with the client throughout the term and the final
|   |   | design solution is presented formally at the end of the term. |   |