

# IDFM 100 Syllabus

Western Kentucky University  
Department of Applied Human Sciences • Spring 2024

Intro to Housing & Interior Design

3 Hours

Pre-requisites: None

Co-requisites: None

Faculty: Kris Burton

Online Only

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Grades for this course are based on the following percentages:

Assignment	Percentage
Total	100

Expectations of this course:

- Produce portfolio-ready work.
- Meet all deadlines as they are an expectation of this profession.
- Attend class on time and during the hours schedule for this course.
- Losing work due to failed media is not an excuse in this profession. You are expected to have a backup strategy for all your projects.

## Course Description

Introduction to interior design as it relates to housing environments and residential furnishings and equipment. Focuses on consumer-related information and services. Includes layout and design opportunities. This course for non-Interior Design majors only.

## Student Learning Outcomes

1. Apply principles and elements of design to housing environments.
2. Identify sources for equipping and furnishing a home.
3. Describe methods of providing spatial needs for disabled and elderly dwellers
4. Analyze efficiency of various methods of heating and cooling of housing environments.
5. Produce an introductory design that incorporates appropriate selections for materials, finishes, furnishings, fixtures and equipment for a residential application.

## Textbooks and Supplies

**Textbook:** Nielson & Taylor, *Interiors, An Introduction, Fifth Edition*, McGraw-Hill, 2011, ISBN 978-0-07352650-8

**Beginnings Of Interior Environments**

by Jones (9781119829027) SKU:9781119829027 - 23

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**Technology:**

Microsoft Word

**Supplies:** None

## Course Topics:

- Interior Design as a profession
- Special considerations in design
- Principles, elements, and styles in design
- Color
- Lighting
- Lighting and technology
- Space planning
- Building systems & floor plans
- Furniture selections & arrangement
- Wall, ceiling & window treatments
- Floor materials & coverings
- Textiles
- Art & accessories
- Historic influences in design



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## IDFM Course Policies

### **IDFM Policies**

- All IDFM students are required to use their official Toppermail account.
- Blackboard is the preferred way to turn in assignments for IDFM courses. The faculty will no longer accept or grade assignments that are submitted through email.
- All IDFM students are required to attend class and for the duration of the time the class is scheduled to meet.
- Students will be counted absent that arrive 10 minutes after the class is scheduled to meet.
- Late assignments for IDFM will be accepted 1 day late with a 50% deduction in points, after 1 day the assignment receives a grade of 0.
- Students should be focused on class work, not calls and texts. Ringing phones, and texting in class can result in a quiz for the whole class.

### **University Policies:**

#### **Academic Honesty**

- Refer to the Western Kentucky University Student Handbook for Academic Honesty policy

#### **ADA Accommodations**

- In compliance with university policy, students with disabilities who require academic and/or auxiliary accommodations for this course must contact the Student Accessibility Resource Center located in Downing Student Union, Room 1074. The SARC can be reached by phone number at 270-745-5004 [270-745-3030 TTY] or via email at [sarc.connect@wku.edu](mailto:sarc.connect@wku.edu). Please do not request accommodations directly from the professor or instructor without a faculty notification letter (FNL) from The Student Accessibility Resource Center

#### **Title IX Misconduct/Assault Statement**

- Western Kentucky University (WKU) is committed to supporting faculty, staff and students by upholding WKU's [Title IX Sexual Misconduct/Assault Policy](#) (#0.2070) and [Discrimination and Harassment Policy](#) (#0.2040). Under these policies, discrimination, harassment and/or sexual misconduct based on sex/gender are prohibited. If you experience an incident of sex/gender-based discrimination, harassment and/or sexual misconduct, you are encouraged to report it to the Title IX Coordinator, Andrea Anderson, 270-745-5398 or Title IX Investigators, Michael Crowe, 270-745-5429 or Joshua Hayes, 270-745-5121. Please note that while you may report an incident of sex/gender based discrimination, harassment and/or sexual misconduct to a faculty member, WKU faculty are "Responsible Employees" of the University and MUST report what you share to WKU's Title IX Coordinator or Title IX Investigator. If you would like to speak with someone who may be able to afford you confidentiality, you may contact WKU's [Counseling and Testing Center](#) at 270-745-3159

**Critiques:** Our professions are steep in critiques from employers to clients. Critiques are not personal attacks but are used to improve your work or let you know what is inaccurate or needs to be improved upon. This is a tool to improve your work, and feedback should be viewed to improve or take your work to the next level.

### **IDFM labs:**

- It is an expectation of all WKU students, faculty, and staff that the computer labs are to be always respected and cared for. Computer labs should be left as they are found. This means that users of computer labs should not remove or unplug any items such as keyboards, mice, monitors, DVD drives, or CPUs. Your privilege to use the lab may be forfeited.
- The preferred computer at WKU is a PC. Design technologies work do not work properly on MACS
- Sewing labs can only be used by students enrolled in a sewing course or a course that requires the use of a sewing machine that semester.
- Labs are only available when a course is not scheduled and if faculty or a lab assistant is available to monitor the lab.

Access priorities are listed below in descending order of priority:

- Class or other group reservations for instructional purposes.
- Individual students working on course assignments.
- Faculty or staff doing work supporting instructional use of labs.



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### *COVID 19 Statement:*

All students are strongly encouraged to get the COVID-19 vaccine. Students who are fully vaccinated will not be required to wear masks or to quarantine if exposed to the virus. Based on the latest CDC and KY public health guidance, WKU will require the wearing of masks while indoors for those who have not been fully vaccinated to protect themselves and others. Persons not fully vaccinated must quarantine if exposed to someone with Covid-19. Accommodations can be requested in special cases through the Student Accessibility and Resource Center (SARC): 270-745-5004 (voice), 270-745-3030(TTY), or 270-288-0597 (video).

All students must immediately report a positive Covid-19 test result or close contact with a person who has tested positive to the Covid-19 Assistance Line at 270-745-2019. The assistance line is available to answer questions regarding any Covid-19 related issue. This guidance is subject to change based on requirements set forth by public health agencies or the office of the governor. Please refer to the Healthy on the Hill website for the most current information. [www.wku.edu/healthyonthehill](http://www.wku.edu/healthyonthehill)

