BCIT SCHOOL OF CONSTRUCTION AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Interior Design Program
General Education Requirements

The **Bachelor of Interior Design** (BID) program requires students to have **18 credits of required General Education** courses, which are incorporated in each year of the BID program as outlined below:

- Certificate (1st year): COMM 1120 (3 credits) and ENGL 1177 (3 credits)
- Diploma (2nd year): COMM 2320 (3 credits), LIBS 7001 (3 credits)
- Degree (3rd & 4th year): LIBS 7002 (3 credits) and LIBS 7031 (3 credits)

In addition to the 18 Credits listed above, students are required to complete 12 credits of General Education Electives that are outside of the core academic discipline.

The **12 credits of General Education Electives** are required as follows:

- Completed within the **Diploma** (2nd year): 3 credits from Tables 1 or 2
- Completed within the **Degree** (3rd and 4th year): 9 credits from Table 1 or 2.

TABLE 1

Natural Science	**Social Science**	**Humanities**	**Arts & Sciences**
Astronomy	Anthropology	Canadian Studies	*Includes all subjects listed under Natural Science and Social Science & Humanities.*
Biochemistry	Archaeology	Classical Languages	
Biology	Criminology	Classical Studies	
Botany	Cultural and Ethnic Studies	Cultural Studies	
Chemistry	Education	History	Computer Science
Earth Science	Environmental Studies	Languages	Education
Environmental Science	Gender and Sexuality Studies	Linguistics	English
Ecology	International Relations	Literature	Information Science
Geography	Law (Social or Cultural)	Music History	Kinesiology
Geology	Multicultural Studies	Philosophy (excluding Ethics)	Mathematics
Geophysics	Native Studies	Religious Studies	Library Science
Life Sciences	Political Sci	Theatre Studies	
Ocean Science	Psychology	Theology	
Physical Anthropology	Regional/Human/Cultural Geography	Women's Studies	
Physics	Sociology		
Space Sciences			
Sustainability			
Zoology			

There are some courses available at BCIT that are pre-approved as General Education Electives for this Program (Tables 2 and 3). Other BCIT courses not listed below may be eligible in consultation with the Degree Program Head.

TABLE 2

Pre-Approved BCIT General Education Electives (2nd/3rd/4th year)		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits/Comments
BHSC 1200	Human Anatomy and Physiology	6.5
CINT 1210	Basic Mandarin and Chinese Culture	3.0
HIST 1100	Introduction to Modern World History	3.0 – Included in the Full-time Diploma program matrix (Term 3) as an elective
HSSC 1000	Selected Topics in Humanities & Social Sciences	3.0
HSSC 1100	Selected Topics in Humanities & Social Sciences	3.0
HSSC 1101	Selected Topics in Humanities & Social Sciences	3.0
HSSC 1200	Selected Topics in Humanities & Social Sciences	3.0
MINE 1101	Physical Geology	4.0

TABLE 2 - continue

Pre-Approved BCIT General Education Electives (2nd/3rd/4th year)		
Course Number	Course Name	Credits/Comments
PHYS 1301	General Physics 1	6.0
PSYC 1101	Introductory Psychology 1	3.0 ┐ Choose one: PSYC 1 or PSYC 2 course
PSYC 1102	Introductory Psychology 2	3.0 ┘
LIBS 7XXX	For a complete list of courses, please visit bcit.ca/cas/liberalstudies/courses.shtml	3.0

1. Non-BCIT courses eligible to receive credit as General Education Electives for this Program must be:
   - General education courses, defined as those college or university studies intended to provide general knowledge and to develop general intellectual capacities (such as reason and judgment.)
   - Transferable into a recognized Canadian post-secondary degree program and taken at a recognized public post-secondary educational institution in Canada.
   - If courses were taken outside of Canada, please provide an ICES comprehensive report to determine transferability into a recognized Canadian post-secondary degree program.

2. Courses ***not eligible*** for General Education Elective transfer credit include:
   - Interior Design
   - Business
   - Vocational or Technical studies courses
   - Courses with grades of S (satisfactory) and U (unsatisfactory)

3. The Interior Design Department reserves the right to make the final decision in cases where ambiguity exists with:
   - The level of the course
   - The number of transferable credits available for the course.

Note:

Full-time Studies Diploma and Bachelor Degree Students -
General Education Electives are included in the schedule for the Full-time Interior Design Programs (Diploma and Bachelor). However, students can take General Education Electives in advance, but the full-time tuition will not be reduced. If students rely on student loans, scholarships, or bursaries, please check with Financial Aid and Awards to ensure you will still be eligible if you take a course in advance. To discuss selecting General Education Electives in advance for full-time programs, please contact Grace Rodrigues Sikich, Bachelor of Interior Design Program Head.

Part-time Studies Students -
Please consult with Program Advising before course registration if you are taking General Education Elective courses that are not on Table 2 (Pre-Approved BCIT General Education Electives) or have any questions. Please email program_advising@bcit.ca. Please allow 6-8 weeks for processing transfer credits.

It is the student's responsibility to be fully aware of the General Education Elective requirements for the Interior Design Program.