#### **INDE 138 Course Outline as of Spring 2012**

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: INDE 138 Title: INTERNATIONAL PRACT INDE

Full Title: International Practices in Interior Design

Last Reviewed: 9/19/2011

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	6	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: INDE 64.2

#### **Catalog Description:**

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## **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

#### **Recommended Preparation:**

Completion of INDE 64.1; and eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100.

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

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Limits on Enrollment:

**Transfer Credit:** 

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

# **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

#### **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

# **COURSE CONTENT**

## **Outcomes and Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, students will able to:

- 1. Compare and contrast international and U.S. interior design practices.
- 2. Identify and evaluate the role world geography plays in the interior design industry.
- 3. Recognize styles, colors and tastes from traditions and countries around the world.
- 4. Complete residential and commercial interior design projects received from overseas clients.
- 5. Prepare proposals in compliance with client specifications utilizing U.S. and international resources.
- 6. Research and identify product and vendor sources, nationally and internationally, using the internet and conventional methods.
- 7. Analyze, interpret, and apply national and international banking practices and credit terms.
- 8. Describe appropriate communication techniques for international business.
- 9. Research and describe methods of trading as an interior design buyer.

# **Topics and Scope:**

- I. Introduction
  - A. Overview of international practices in the interior design industry
- B. The role of world geography in cultural and economic developments as it relates to the United States interior design industry
  - 1. Canada, Mexico (NAFTA--North American Free Trade Agreement)
  - 2. European community
  - 3. Scandinavian countries
  - 4. Africa
  - 5. The Middle East
  - 6. The Far East

- 7. South East Asia
- 8. Australia
- C. Style, color and taste: an international perspective
- D. International trade methods for the interior design buyer
- E. Project classifications
- II. Residential and Commercial Projects for Overseas Clients
  - A. Marketing
    - 1. Research and development
    - 2. Proposals for overseas projects
    - 3. Cover letters
    - 4. Presentations
    - 5. Swatch cards
  - B. Sales
    - 1. Calculating markups
    - 2. Developing commercial invoices
    - 3. Sales representative agreements
  - C. Accounting
    - 1. Cost breakdown materials and products
    - 2. Cost analysis using computerized spreadsheets
    - 3. Billing procedures and records
    - 4. Business invoices
  - D. Purchasing
    - 1. Furnishings markets
- 2. Identifying resource vendors nationally and internationally using conventional and computerized methods
  - 3. Purchase orders
  - E. Security
  - F. Shipping and delivery
    - 1. Handling and consolidating shipments
    - 2. Packing list
    - 3. Certificate of origin
    - 4. Bill of lading
    - 5. Calculating shipping costs
      - a. FOB (Freight on Board)
      - b. C&F (Cost and Freight)
      - c. CIF (Cost + Insurance + Freight)
    - 6. Export documentation
    - 7. Current Customs requirements
- III. Trading as an Interior Design Buyer at the International Home Furnishings Markets
- IV. National and International Banking Practices and Credit Terms
  - A. Banking practices
  - B. Analyzing credit documents
  - C. Writing letters of credit
- V. Communication Techniques for International Business

#### **Assignment:**

- 1. Reading: 15-30 pages per week
- 2. Writing assignments: proposals
- 3. Research and identify vendors for specific products; written summary of vendor research, 2-5 pages
- 4. Problem solving: analyze credit documents; calculate markups; prepare letters of credit,

business invoices, purchase orders, and shipping documents

- 5. Final project: marketing project for a specific country, including proposal, cover letter, swatch cards, cost breakdown, product identification, and documentation for exporting
- 6. Oral in-class presentation of marketing project
- 7. Quizzes (3-6); midterm

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Proposals; final project; vendor research

Writing 10 - 15%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Projects; marketing project

Problem solving 60 - 65%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Oral presentation

Skill Demonstrations 10 - 15%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Exams to include multiple choice, true/false, matching items, completion, short answer

Exams 10 - 15%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation

Other Category 5 - 10%

# Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Instructor prepared materials