STUDENT MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

IIDA provides resources you need for educational and professional development. These benefits are exclusive to student members and give aspiring designers unique opportunities to build important connections that extend well beyond graduation.

CONNECT

12,000+ Members / 58 Countries / 35 Chapters / 115 Campus Centers
53% Designers / 24% Industry Professionals / 20% Students / 2% Educators / 1% International Designers

ENGAGE

Campus Centers: Form or get active in a campus center to develop and exchange ideas with your peers. Working closely with a campus center allows you the opportunity to collaborate with local IIDA chapter members on dynamic programming, gain valuable leadership skills, and build professional connections. Not to mention, it looks great on a resume.

Career Center: Explore hundreds of current interior design opportunities.

IIDA Events: IIDA Headquarter and chapter programs around the country offer virtual and in-person events to provide you a leg-up in the industry through networking and relationship building.

Student Mentoring Program: Immerse yourself in the interior design profession by shadowing a practicing industry professional and making lasting industry connections.

COMPETE AND ACHIEVE

Campus Center Awards: These awards recognize outstanding achievements by an IIDA Campus Center that has developed superior programming focused on enhancing the interior design profession at the student and local levels.

Student Design Charette: School-nominated IIDA Student Members from around the country compete in a live, onsite annual design competition during NeoCon. Student teams have less than six hours to determine a design solution, develop a presentation, and pitch their concept to a panel of esteemed judges.

Student Design Competition: Sponsored by OFS and Carolina, students can showcase their work and gain exposure in the interior design industry for designs based on real-world challenges. First, second, and third place winners receive $2,500, $1,500, and $750.

Student of the Year: The award recognizes an IIDA Student Member who has significantly impacted their school’s interior design program through outstanding leadership, insight, and involvement. The recipient of this annual award will receive a $5,000 cash award, sponsored by OFS; recognition during NeoCon; and a complimentary one-year IIDA membership.
EXPLORE

**IIDA Academy:** Enjoy hours of professional development free with your membership, including panel discussions, career advice, and how to make a difference in the industry from thought-leaders in commercial interior design.

**Online Access:** Interiors and Sources, Design Matters, Spectrum, IIDA Industry Roundtable Report, IIDA Student Roundtable Report, and Design Leveraged Volumes 1 and 2.

**QUAD, the IIDA Student E-Newsletter:** Stay informed with our e-newsletter exclusively for students. Sent four times a year, QUAD keeps you updated on opportunities to participate in competitions and awards programs, campus center events, IIDA resources, and more.

FOUNDATION

**The IA Interior Architects Diversity in Design Scholarship Fund** promotes diversity as an essential component of making the world of design a more innovative and inclusive place. Students can enter by submitting a 500-word essay on the designated topic for the year. Up to six scholarships are available ranging from $500 to $5,000.

**The John J. Nelson Sr. Scholarship Fund** was created to benefit and further the study of interior design and architecture by students of African American descent. Students are asked to examine how the power of design has already impacted their life, and how they will proactively leverage their career in design to positively impact their future clients and community.

**Wilsonart Student Essay Competition** awards IIDA Student Members that have participated in the IIDA Student Mentorship program. Student participants gain invaluable professional development and mentorship from professionals in the interior design industry. This scholarship offers students the opportunity and incentive to further reflect on the value of their experience.

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