

Architecture and Interior Design Portfolio Information

Portfolio

Admission to the Department of Architecture and Interior Design requires a portfolio.

What is a portfolio?

A collection of work that demonstrates your potential. The portfolio should exhibit your skills, experience and sensibilities in areas related to design and creative studio work.

What should be in a portfolio?

Drawings, prints, graphic design, painting, sculpture, ceramics, or photography and much more. When selecting materials to include, think about what you can tell us about yourself. For example:

- Technical skills. Still life drawings, paintings or models can tell us about your experience with different types of art and digital media. These are useful skills for a design student.
- Creativity. A collage, a comic strip, a film or an abstract drawing or painting can tell us a little about your creative thinking. You'll need that in design school.
- Experience. If you have taken a CAD class, an architecture or interior design class, created a theatre set or costume, designed a room, show us in a drawing or photograph. You'll show us you have experience in design.
- Sensibility. Architectural and interior design requires an eye for composition, an understanding of sensorial experience and a sense of what makes a room, building or place special. You can show us this in photographs, drawings, and paintings of things like lighting effects and unusual points of view, and in other forms of composition such as sound recordings and films.

You may also want to consider participating in Miami's Summer Scholars Program. Students who complete this program will create content that can be included in the application portfolio.

The portfolio committee is interested in reviewing your highest quality work. We suggest that you consult with your art teacher or with us when you come for a tour.

How and what do I submit?

Submit 10-20 pieces of work. We prefer you submit these via Slideroom: <https://miamioh.slideroom.com>. You can also mail your portfolio. Contact us for the address.

Other Information:

- Your application for admission to a major in Architecture or Interior Design is incomplete until your portfolio is received. Late portfolios will only be considered on an as-needed basis.
- Portfolios submitted in non-conforming formats may not be considered.
- Please include return postage and a mailer, if you wish your portfolio to be returned.
- If you are interested in but undecided about majoring in Architecture or Interior Design, submit a portfolio by the appropriate deadline anyway. You can choose a different major later but if we don't have a portfolio, we can't guarantee you a place at a **later date**.

What about portfolio scholarships?

We have awards based on the merit of portfolio submissions. Submit before February 1st to be considered

Questions?

Call (513) 529-7210 or email the department at arcid@miamioh.edu.

Website

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