

[on screen text] Instructional Insights

>> [Rebecca Kimmons] So, we wanted to do this video to give an overview for students to really know, like what to expect with the program, whether they're just starting out, or whether they're, kind of trying to figure out if this is what they want to do.

>> [Ginger Burton] For interior design, we focus on working on projects for both residential and commercial clients. So, we're working on spaces that could go in either market direction and open up your career opportunities. The annual portfolio show is something that we work toward in all of our classes, and it should be the very last thing students get to take part in before graduation.

>> [Rebecca Kimmons] It's a chance for students to pull together and show off the projects they have completed throughout their time at Chattahoochee Tech.

>> [Ginger Burton] Part of the coursework that we focus on is the project management and the planning that goes into each interior design project. So, we look at, really 2 tracks. So, the space planning is more of a technical aspect of meeting building codes, meeting accessibility requirements and guidelines. But then, of course, there's the creative part. So, planning that space that will be unique, great aesthetics, interesting design, which is the more fun part for a lot of students, and probably why they want to become an interior designer. Most students enter the interior design program, because your artistic and creative and want to have a career outlet for that, which is excellent.

>> [Rebecca Kimmons] Creativity, I believe, is definitely, it's a learned skill and it's a practice, so you don't have to come in being an artist. You don't have to leave being an artist as you go through.

>> [Ginger Burton] I definitely think that creativity is a muscle that you have to practice and work on. We have an open lab on campus, which we hope replicates the studio that you would have in your work settings, that's just filled with all of the material finish samples, so you can actually work with those hands-on and put them together for your design boards.

>> [Rebecca Kimmons] You've got the space to play. You've got the space to work with things, to pull your projects together. We have tutors available to help when you have questions and come, so it's just got a ton of stuff that you might ever need to come, and to use that. So, as a student at Chattahoochee Tech, you can start your interior design classes in your very first semester.

>> [Ginger Burton] Most of our students choose to go for the full 2 year associates degree, which includes all the courses that we offer. There are also some certifications that are embedded within that, so one might be the kitchen and bath certification, and we have several smaller certificates to help students who want to focus just on one aspect of the program.

>> [Rebecca Kimmons] If you have any questions before you get started, we're more than happy to meet with anyone to answer questions, go through and explain a little bit more to you, just so you feel comfortable.

>> [Ginger Burton] Thank you for watching and we look forward to meeting you.

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