Interior Design Program
College of Human Environmental Sciences
University of Alabama

Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA):
Information Plan and Documentation for
Public Reports of Student Achievement Data

Degree Programs
As of fall 2013, there were 194 undergraduate students majoring in interior design at the University of Alabama. A total of 42 majors earned their degree during the academic year 2012-13. Both figures for the number of majors and degree confirmations were slight increases from the previous year.

Job Placement Rates
Every other year, the College of HES conducts an Alumni Survey of recent graduates. In 2014, the CHES Alumni Survey was completed by 81 undergraduate alumni from the Department of Clothing Textiles and Interior Design. The survey revealed the following information on employment and job placement:

- 97% of those recent graduates seeking employment are currently employed.
- 81% of those who are currently employed found a job within 6 months of graduation.

Professional Positions
Graduates from the UA Interior Design program hold positions of responsibility in a wide variety of design areas. Our graduates have taken positions designing exhibitions at the Smithsonian in D.C., designing interiors for French aircraft company Dessault, supervising preservation for the City of New York, designing retail space for Barney’s in Dallas, and Van Cleef and Arpels Jeweler in Paris, as well as residential design with Solis Betancourt in D.C., Stan Topol in Atlanta, and Irvine and Fleming in New York.

Attrition and Retention Rates
Of the entering class of 2007 cohort of 71 students, 84.3% continued into their 2nd year, 78.6% continued into their 3rd year and 58.6% graduated within 4 years or less. Nearly three quarters (71.4%) of the 2007 cohort graduated in 5 years or less.

6-year Graduation Rates
Of the entering class of 2007 cohort, the College of HES had a 71.4% 6-year Graduation rate. This rate was higher than the 6-year graduation rate for the entire University, which was 67.5% and was the second highest rate for this program over the previous 6 years.

Future Graduate School
Over the years, graduates of the interior design program have elected to pursue graduate degrees in architecture, preservation, and interior design education.