

Interior Design Study Notes

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Below are notes to study for the Interior Design FCSEA:

- analogous color scheme.
- primary colors
- Curved lines give the feeling of gentleness and femininity.
- Horizontal lines communicate relaxation and calmness in a room.
- Lines meeting at a right angle is rhythm by means of opposition.
- Rough texture makes an object appear darker, and gives a casual feeling to a room.
- What is proportion?
- What is an example of symmetrical balance?
- Informal balance creates an air of informality.
- Space is a three dimensional area where a designer works.
- Restaurants use color to stimulate customers' appetites.
- What is the most commonly used scale by architects, contractors, and designers; it shows the greatest detail on a scaled plan.
- An architect is a person who plans the design of a residential or commercial building.
- Who is Frank Lloyd Wright?
- Examples of how function and the appropriateness goal of design include furnishing a child's bedroom with child-sized furniture, placing a bed in a guestroom, and installing a refrigerator in a kitchen.
- What is a schematic design?
- Freehand sketches showing a project's space arrangements are called thumbnail perspectives.
- A three-dimensional drawing shows width, length and depth.
- Demographics refer to the characteristic of the human population.
- The least expensive topography to landscape is level land.
- When renting an apartment the standard rule is to spend no more than 25% of your monthly gross income or rent.
- One must have a college or university degree to become an interior designer.
- In the contract administration phase, designers review and inspect work for quality, workmanship, and finishes.
- The following are fees or compensations that are charged by an interior designer: flat-fee plus percentage of total cost, and cost-plus system.
- Location is the most important factor to consider for resale, when purchasing a home.
- Saving money to build and furnish a home is an example of a long-term goal.
- A two-story home is easier to heat in a colder climate.
- What is The Americans with Disabilities Act ?
- A pile weave produces a nap in carpeting.
- When choosing floors, one should consider appearance, maintenance, brand name, cost, warranty, and durability.
- Inlaid is the most durable types of vinyl flooring.
- Density refers to how closely carpet fibers or tufts are placed together.
- Level loop is the most durable type of carpet pile.
- The most popular fiber used in carpets and rugs is nylon.
- Wall treatments are used to finish and decorate walls.
- The most popular and cost effective type of wall treatment is paint.
- Walls make up the largest area in a room.
- Light walls, and smooth, shiny surfaces reflect light.
- Absorbed light is not reflected.
- Walls should complement the furniture and accessories in the room.
- To make a room appear shorter you should paint one of the shorter walls a dark color.
- Textured paints leave walls with a rough texture.

- Window treatments provide control for light and air and provide privacy.
- A window that faces south provides more light in a room throughout the day than one that faces north.
- What is the advantage of having double paned windows in a home or business?
- Decorative items that adorn the ends of curtain rods are known as finials.
- Hardware for window treatments that are installed close to the ceiling creates the illusion of a taller ceiling height.
- Who is Walter Gropius?
- Buying high-quality, more expensive home furnishings is a sound economical decision because they will last longer than less expensive home furnishings.
- A piece of furniture that is more than 100 years old is considered antique.
- Furniture styles that were popular in the past are referred to as Period Furniture styles.
- Pine is considered a soft wood.
- Furnishings have little or no warranty coverage and the products vary widely in design, quality and price.
- Coil springs are spiral-shaped springs found in higher quality upholstered furniture.
- A furniture grouping for a conversational should be less than 12 feet across, placing chairs within 10 feet of each other.
- Rattan furniture is made from the stems of what type of tree?
- Why are water beds prohibited in some rented dwellings?
- The corner blocks joint on chairs and tables are used to do what?
- The use of diagonal furniture placement can enhance conversational areas.
- When selecting sustainable products, one should consider the harmful substances released during manufacturing, if renewable materials are being used, and if the manufacturing process energy efficient.
- Pieces of high-quality furniture usually have drawers with dovetail joints.
- What are some examples of functional accessories?
- Most pictures should be hung at eye-level in the home.
- Examples of small appliances include what?
- The price of the appliance, delivery charge, and electricity costs for the life of the appliance is included in the total cost of an appliance.
- What is the advantage of cooking with a Convection ovens?
- A disadvantage of buying something at a discontinued-item sale is that matching items may soon be unavailable.
- What is determined by referring to the Energy Guide Label?
- The three main work centers in a kitchen are known as the work triangle.
- What are the three main centers in a kitchen?
- The UL symbol from the underwriter's Laboratory assures that an appliance conforms to safety standards.
- The main zones in a home include public/social, private and service.
- Lamps are the most common type of nonstructural lighting.
- The light bulb itself is called a lamp.
- Light directed upward into plants is known as uplighting.
- The amount of light reaching a surface can be measured with a light meter.
- A cathedral ceiling gives a feeling of expanse and height.
- Why is Gypsum board a popular choice than plaster?

