



Council  
for Interior  
Design  
Accreditation



# We are **CIDA.**

It's an exciting time to be an **interior designer.**

## We believe in collective knowledge.

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The definition of interior design and the role designers play in the world is ever-expanding. Because of this, CIDA is passionate about growing and articulating the knowledge at the heart of the interior design profession for the benefit of educators, students and interior design practitioners.

## We believe in professional standards.

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As the only accrediting body specifically focused on interior design, CIDA is responsible for creating high quality standards in interior design education. It's why CIDA engages in a rigorous annual forecasting process that informs and elevates academic standards.

## We believe in advanced professionalism.

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We do this because we believe in the integrity and advanced professionalism of interior design practice. CIDA is one of the most influential factors in curriculum development and student recruitment, as well as one of the first and most common resources that students and parents consult when choosing an interior design program.

## We believe in the future of interior design.

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With over 18,000 students in more than 180 CIDA-accredited interior design programs worldwide, we recognize the responsibility we have to the integrity of interior design practice, and the students that will drive practice forward in the future.

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# What can **CIDA** do for you?

## For educators,

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We provide future-focused, flexible standards and respected accreditation. Because CIDA is among the first and most common resources that students and parents consult when choosing an interior design program, we also contribute to recruiting and enrollment.

## For practitioners,

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We provide consistent workforce quality and talent that is serious about their interior design career. Students from CIDA-accredited programs score an average of 16% higher on the NCIDQ Exam than non-CIDA grads. For the IDFX, the pass-rate is 18.5% higher.

## For students,

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We provide future-focused knowledge, industry forecasts and a valuable return on educational investment. Over 65% of graduates from CIDA programs believe that accreditation has positively impacted their ability to get their first job.

## For volunteers,

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We provide a connection to the larger interior design community. Consider volunteering for CIDA today! We have a number of ways to engage so please visit: [accredit-id.org/volunteers/](https://www.accredit-id.org/volunteers/) or email [laura@accredit-id.org](mailto:laura@accredit-id.org) for more details.

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