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Housing, Interiors and Furnishings

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INTRODUCTION

The curriculum development process undertaken by the Idaho Division of Professional-Technical Education involves active participation of family and consumer sciences educators at the secondary and postsecondary levels. For development of the Housing, Interiors and Furnishings curriculum the majority of committee members were educators who have taught Housing, Interiors and Furnishings and were recommended by their colleagues. Industry personnel were consulted where their expertise and opinions were required. The new Housing, Interiors and Furnishings curriculum framework was developed by state staff and university personnel using the National Standards for Family and Consumer Sciences Education and resources from other state guides. The curriculum team wrote, reviewed and revised the curriculum framework. This report was prepared upon completion of the committee's assignment. The list of key competencies and performance indicators prepared by committee members reflects the knowledge and skills currently recommended for students in the Housing, Interiors and Furnishings course. Students who complete this course will be better prepared to meet the challenges of living and working in today's society in the areas related to housing, interiors and furnishings occupational areas.

The result of the work of the curriculum committee members is this statewide curriculum guide. These individuals have written overall outcomes, key competencies, and performance indicators. The committee prepared materials in a competency-based format to have an effective and efficient methodology for determining student progress. The statewide guides are designed as the primary determiner of the program content. It is not the intent of the State Division of Professional-Technical Education that all programs are designed exactly the same, but assurance is needed that the program meets the minimum standards for operation. Schools offering Family and Consumer Sciences Education should use program advisory committees to reflect local and community needs.

The Curriculum Guide is also used as the primary list for generating student profiles. The profile is used as a cumulative record of each student's progress and serves as proof of instruction for articulation purposes. They have performance scales for each indicator so that student competence can be recorded.

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HOUSING, INTERIORS AND FURNISHINGS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Housing, Interiors and Furnishings is a one or two semester/trimester course designed to provide students with information about planning, building, purchasing and designing a home for living, working and relaxing. Principles of design are applied to the structure, interior rooms and the exterior and landscaping. This course introduces students to a wide range of occupations within the housing, interior and furnishings industry. This two-semester course combined with its prerequisite and a one or two-semester work experience constitutes an occupational sequence.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Delivery of the Housing , Interiors and Furnishings Curriculum

It is recommended that this course emphasize full-class participation, teamwork and individual projects and/or study. The teacher is the facilitator and the manager of the classroom environment. The focus is on problem-based instruction that is designed to enable and inspire students to plan and take actions for the well-being of self and others in the home, workplace, community and world. Students also practice action through participation in FCCLA, Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America, a co-curricular student organization.

Teacher Qualifications

The teacher of this course must be secondary certified with an endorsement in Family and Consumer Sciences Education. It is highly recommended that teachers have industry experience or a recent internship experience to gain knowledge about career opportunities in housing, interiors and furnishings occupational areas.

Length and Level of this Course

This course is a minimum of two semesters/trimester experience preferably at the 11th or 12th grade level. The recommended program sequence includes Career and Personal Development as a prerequisite to Housing, Interiors and Furnishings. Students will also need to complete a work experience in the areas of housing, interiors and/or furnishings.

Recommended Resources

Housing, Interiors and Furnishings Activity/Resource Guide, 2006

Materials from the current curriculum material list for Family and Consumer Sciences

Career Pathways

This course is recommended for students who have selected Human Resources and/or Arts and Communications as their Career Pathways choice . Occupations associated with this curriculum would include graphic designer, interior designer, architect, realtor, builder and landscape architect.

CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK

PROGRAM AREA: Family and Consumer Sciences

IDAHO DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL EDUCATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 2007

PROGRAM TITLE: Housing, Interiors and Furnishings

IDAHO CODE NUMBER: IBEDS 19205

I. MAJOR CONCEPTS/CONTENT:

Homes are a reflection of our lives. Housing is the creation of an environment in which people live and grow. It includes the dwelling and all that is within and surrounds the dwelling. Housing provides shelter, security, privacy, prestige and a means of self-expression. Housing is an important part of people's lives.

II. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Housing, Interiors and Furnishings is a one or two semester/trimester course designed to provide students with practical information about planning, building, purchasing and designing a home for living, working and relaxing. Principles of design are applied to the structure, interior rooms and the landscaping. This course introduces students to a wide range of occupations within the housing and interior industry. This two-semester course combined with a one or two-semester work experience constitutes an occupational sequence.

III. INTENDED OUTCOMES:

After successfully completing this program, the student will be able to:

01. Examine housing needs and choices for individuals and families
02. Analyze components of housing design and construction
03. Analyze components of interior space and planning
04. Analyze the components of a safe and attractive environment
05. Analyze career paths within the housing, interiors, and furnishings industry
06. Demonstrate design and presentation skills

SUGGESTED SCOPE AND SEQUENCE Housing, Interiors and Furnishings
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| (10%) | 01. Examine housing needs and choices for individuals and families <ul style="list-style-type: none">-identify universal housing needs-explore factors influencing housing decisions-explore factors to consider when choosing a place to live-describe methods of housing acquisition-analyze factors involved in renting-analyze factors involved in buying |
| (15%) | 02. Analyze components of housing design and construction <ul style="list-style-type: none">-analyze influences on architectural and furnishing design-evaluate house and floor plans-demonstrate floor planning techniques-explore housing construction techniques-identify systems within the house |
| (25%) | 03. Analyze components of interior space and planning <ul style="list-style-type: none">-identify elements of design-identify principles of design-assess the use of textiles in the home-examine the use of interior backgrounds in design planning-develop skills to arrange furnishings-explore furniture styles, construction, and selection-explore the use of lighting and accessories in design planning-explore various household equipment and appliances |
| (15%) | 04. Analyze the components of a safe and attractive environment <ul style="list-style-type: none">-explore methods of planning outdoor living space-identify methods of creating a safe and secure environment-explore home improvement and maintenance techniques-explore trends in the housing and interiors industries |
| (15%) | 05. Analyze career paths within the housing, interiors, and furnishings industry <ul style="list-style-type: none">-explore career opportunities in planning and design-explore career opportunities in building trades-explore careers in allied occupations-explore general procedures for business and career success |
| (20 %) | 06. Demonstrate housing design and presentation skills <ul style="list-style-type: none">-evaluate client's needs, goals, and resources-demonstrate design and presentation skills-demonstrate housing design ideas through visual presentations |

CURRICULUM FRAMEWORK

Housing, Interiors and Furnishings

1. Content Standard: **EXAMINE HOUSING NEEDS AND CHOICES FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES**

1.01 Competency: **ANALYZE UNIVERSAL HOUSING NEEDS**

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Describe how housing satisfies basic physical and psychological needs
2. Examine different housing needs throughout the life span
3. Explain the affects of housing on quality of life
4. Analyze the impact of housing needs and wants
5. Describe the ways housing reflects cultural views and values

1.02 Competency: **EXPLORE FACTORS INFLUENCING HOUSING DECISIONS**

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Identify social trends affecting housing decisions
2. Identify governmental influences on housing decisions
3. Explore various types of available housing
4. Explore housing options in relation to resources

1.03 Competency: **EXPLORE FACTORS TO CONSIDER WHEN CHOOSING A LOCATION**

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Investigate housing options in various regions
2. Compare and contrast types of community environments
3. Analyze factors to consider when selecting a neighborhood
4. Evaluate the importance of available public services
5. Identify special needs to consider when choosing housing

1.04 Competency: **DESCRIBE METHODS OF HOUSING ACQUISITION**

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Compare the advantages and disadvantages of renting and home ownership
2. Assess different types of home ownership
3. Describe financial guidelines to determine a realistic housing budget
4. Identify different types of housing programs

1.05 Competency: ANALYZE FACTORS INVOLVED IN RENTING

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Identify factors to consider when assessing rental requirements
2. Analyze costs involved in renting
3. Explore sources about available rentals
4. Develop guidelines for evaluating rental units
5. Analyze the features and conditions of rental agreements
6. Explain the roles and responsibilities of tenant and landlord

1.06 Competency: ANALYZE FACTORS INVOLVED IN BUYING

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Identify factors to consider when assessing home purchase requirements
2. Examine guidelines for determining a realistic price range for a home
3. Research purchasing trends
4. Evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of new and existing homes
5. Identify conditions that affect the resale value of a home
6. Compare and contrast various ways to finance the purchase of a home
7. Describe the steps in the home-buying process

2. Content Standard: ANALYZE COMPONENTS OF HOUSING DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

2.01 Competency: ANALYZE INFLUENCES ON ARCHITECTURE

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Examine architectural characteristics of housing exteriors
2. Explore the history of housing styles
3. Explore trends in housing styles

2.02 Competency: EVALUATE HOUSE AND FLOOR PLANS

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Identify floor plan symbols
2. Examine how rooms are grouped according to function and circulation
3. Evaluate storage needs and space
4. Identify ways to modify housing through the lifespan
5. Explore the use of CAD in housing design

2.03 Competency: DEMONSTRATE FLOOR PLANNING TECHNIQUES

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Draw interior space to scale using architectural symbols and drafting skills
2. Draw a floor plan for zoning, traffic patterns, circulation, storage, adequacy, placement of doors, windows, appliances and energy efficiency

2.04 Competency: EXPLORE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Evaluate various structural components used in houses
2. Identify the components of the foundation and frame of a house
3. Compare and contrast types of materials used for exterior construction
4. Evaluate types of windows used in houses
5. Distinguish between different types of doors

2.05 Competency: DESCRIBE SYSTEMS WITHIN A HOUSE

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Describe components and safety features of electrical systems
2. Explain a plumbing system according to basic guidelines
3. Describe types of heating and cooling systems
4. Explain ways to conserve energy, water, and other resources
5. Explore home related technology systems

3. Content Standard: ANALYZE INTERIOR SPACE AND PLANNING

3.01 Competency: EXAMINE THE ELEMENTS OF DESIGN

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Describe the use of different types of line
2. Discuss the different types of form
3. Explain how space is used in design
4. Identify high mass and low mass
5. Describe tactile texture and visual texture
6. Explain the use of color
7. Describe the relationships between colors on the color wheel
8. Create color harmony

3.02 Competency: EXAMINE THE PRINCIPLES OF DESIGN

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Describe the relationship of objects to proportion and scale
2. Describe formal and informal balance
3. Explain how emphasis creates a focal point
4. Explore the different types of rhythm
5. Describe the goals of design
6. Identify examples of sensory design

3.03 Competency: ASSESS THE USE OF TEXTILES IN THE HOME

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Distinguish between natural and manufactured fibers based on characteristics
2. Describe the fabric construction processes
3. Specify the difference between structural and applied designs
4. Identify various types of fabric finishes and their affects on the fabric performance
5. Evaluate the appropriateness of textiles for various household uses
6. Select appropriate care methods for various fibers
7. Evaluate various types of fibers and textiles for energy efficient properties
8. Explain the benefits of textile laws

3.04 Competency: EXAMINE INTERIOR BACKGROUNDS IN DESIGN PLANNING

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Define the use of the room
2. Analyze floor treatments
3. Describe wall material and treatments
4. Explain how ceiling treatments serve as interior backgrounds
5. Explore various types of window treatments

3.05 Competency: ANALYZE FURNITURE STYLES, CONSTRUCTION, AND SELECTION

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Examine influences on furniture design
2. Evaluate furniture construction
3. Explain consumer protection of home furnishings purchases
4. Explain guidelines for selection and care of furniture
5. Explore financial aspects of furniture acquisition
6. Compare sources for furniture purchases

3.06 Competency: DEVELOP SKILLS TO ARRANGE FURNISHINGS

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Explore techniques used to arrange furniture to scale
2. Identify factors to consider when arranging furniture
3. Practice furniture arrangements

3.07 Competency: EXPLORE LIGHTING AND ACCESSORIES IN DESIGN PLANNING

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Examine available lighting options
2. Plan residential lighting for visual comfort, safety, beauty and use
3. Identify types and functions of accessories
4. Examine guidelines for using accessories

3.08 Competency: EXAMINE HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT, APPLIANCES, AND TECHNOLOGY

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Identify factors to consider when selecting household appliances
2. Describe styles and features of various appliances
3. Explore appliance and equipment technology
4. Examine equipment purchasing and warranty

4. Content Standard: ANALYZE COMPONENTS OF A SAFE AND ATTRACTIVE ENVIRONMENT

4.01 Competency: EXPLORE METHODS OF PLANNING OUTDOOR LIVING SPACE

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Explore goals and needs of landscaping
2. Identify natural and manufactured landscaping resources
3. Determine landscape zones
4. Identify conservation measures for landscaping
5. Design an outdoor living space
6. Select furnishings for outdoor living

4.02 Competency: IDENTIFY METHODS OF CREATING A SAFE AND SECURE LIVING ENVIRONMENT

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Identify the types and causes of home accidents
2. Explore ways to make the home safety and security
3. Adapt housing design for individuals with special needs
5. Explain home security systems
6. Research environment and health related home issues

4.03 Competency: EXPLORE HOME IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE TECHNIQUES

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Evaluate cleaning tools and products
2. Develop a schedule for house cleaning and yard up keep
3. Demonstrate use of basic tools for home repairs
4. Research estimated house components and replacement cost of appliances
5. Identify ways to improve storage and organize space
6. Explore redecorating options
7. Examine the advantages of remodeling
8. Identify resources for home care, maintenance, and improvements

5. Content Standard: ANALYZE CAREER PATHS WITHIN THE HOUSING, INTERIORS, AND FURNISHING INDUSTRIES

5.01 Competency: EXPLORE CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN PLANNING AND DESIGN

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Survey career opportunities related to community housing and building trades
2. Explain job skills, required education, and personal qualifications for each career
3. Identify resources for career information

5.03 Competency: EXPLORE CAREERS IN ALLIED OCCUPATIONS

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Describe career opportunities in government, real estate, and materials and furnishings sales
2. Explain required educational job skills and personal qualifications
3. Identify resources for career information

6. Content Standard: DEMONSTRATE HOUSING DESIGN AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

6.01 Competency: EVALUATE CLIENT'S NEEDS, GOALS, AND RESOURCES IN CREATING DESIGN PLANS FOR HOUSING, INTERIORS AND FURNISHINGS

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Explore client's goals for the housing environment
2. Determine client's budget and preferences
3. Examine personal needs and wants of the client

6.02 Competency: DEVELOP DESIGN AND PRESENTATION SKILLS

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Demonstrate the use of design software
2. Develop skills in reading blueprints
3. Practice space planning techniques
4. Demonstrate a drawing to scale

6.03 Competency: DEMONSTRATE DESIGN IDEAS THROUGH VISUAL PRESENTATIONS

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

1. Examine how presentation methods can help design professionals communicate ideas
2. Identify materials and methods used for visual presentations
3. Prepare a professional presentation to help a client visualize a finished project
4. Utilize a variety of presentation medias for client presentation

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