Approved Integrative Course Requirements

Students must select one of the following options to fulfill the approved integrative course requirements for the Bachelor of Architecture, Bachelor of Science in Interior Architecture, and Bachelor of Science in Environmental Design degree(s):

1. **Course Integration**

   The objective of Course Integration is to provide students with experience in analyzing, critiquing, and relating ideas at an advanced level from multiple disciplines. Courses integrated must be at the 3000 level or above, from different disciplines (different departments or colleges), taken in the same semester, and must be initiated by students. We do not provide students with a list of courses to integrate.

   The following steps must be completed in the following sequence for this option:
   - Students must write a proposal to be submitted to the Student Services Office for preliminary approval from the Assistant Dean. This proposal must outline how the courses will be integrated and what the specific result of the integration will be (usually a paper or project). Students must follow the proposal template included on the back of this information sheet. **Proposals must be submitted ON or BEFORE the first day of school** of the semester during which the courses will be integrated.
   - Once approval is secured from the Assistant Dean, students will be given an integration approval form to be signed and approved by the instructors in the courses. The instructors must agree to monitor the progress during the semester and work with the student to integrate the courses.
   - At the end of the semester, the instructors must sign an integration completion form stating that the integration was either successful or unsuccessful. An unsuccessful integration means the pair may not be used to satisfy the requirement.
   - **All signatures and approvals must be secured before the official 12th Class Day** in Fall or Spring, or the 4th class day in Summer. The 12th class day is not to be confused with the 12th time the class meets. Consult the academic calendar for specific and official dates.

2. **Participation in College of Architecture and Design Approved Foreign Studies Program**

   Participation in an approved study abroad program sponsored by the College of Architecture and Design fulfills the integration degree requirements. Students should consult with an academic advisor prior to participating in a foreign study program to confirm program eligibility for fulfillment of Approved Integration Requirement.

3. **Completion of a Minor**

   A list of approved minors can be found online by searching the University of Houston website under Academics>Majors & Minors>Majors & Minors and/or at the following link: [http://publications.uh.edu/content.php?catoid=21&navoid=5494](http://publications.uh.edu/content.php?catoid=21&navoid=5494).

4. **Completion of a Second Major**

   The second major must be taken simultaneously with the first major. The Bachelor of Science in Environmental Design may not be used as a second major for the purposes of integrative course fulfillment.

5. **Completion of a Thesis**

   Students may use the Senior Honors Thesis or an architecture thesis to fulfill the integration requirement. This may only be completed by fifth year students taking ARCH 5500 studio course.
Course Integration Proposal

To fulfill the approved integration requirement of my degree plan, I propose to integrate:

(List the two courses you wish to integrate with the correct COURSE ID numbers and FULL TITLES, e.g. ARCH 5500: Design Studio IX and HRMA 3327: Restaurant Design & Layout)

After listing the courses, make sure you include the following information in your proposal text:

- Why have you chosen to integrate these courses?
- What will you do to integrate the courses?
- How will you show that you have successfully completed the integration (i.e., presentation, research paper, other forms of documentation)? You should consult with your faculty on effective and appropriate options for this.

Proposals that do not include the information above will not be accepted and are considered disapproved until all the required information is submitted. Submit all proposals directly to the Student Services Office.

APPROVAL FORMS FOR INTEGRATION APPLICATION (INTEGRATION APPROVAL FORM) WILL BE RELEASED AFTER A COMPLETED PROPOSAL IS SUBMITTED.
Course Integration Checklist

✔ Identify two courses from two different disciplines to integrate. Courses must be at the 3000 level or above and taken concurrently in the same semester.

✔ Write a proposal to submit to the Student Services Office for preliminary approval. The proposal must outline how the courses will be integrated and what the specific result of the integration will be (usually a paper or project). Follow the REQUIREMENTS SHEET and PROPOSAL TEMPLATE.

✔ Once approval is secured, students will be given an INTEGRATION APPROVAL FORM to be signed and approved by the course instructors. The instructors must agree to monitor the progress during the semester and work with the student to integrate the courses for the student to receive credit for the integration.

✔ ALL SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS MUST BE SECURED BEFORE the official 12th Class Day in Fall or Spring, or the 4th Class Day in Summer (see the Academic Calendar). The 12th Class Day IS NOT to be confused with the 12th time the class meets.

✔ At the end of the semester, the instructors must confirm the integration was either successful or unsuccessful. BOTH instructors must confirm successful completion of the integration before the student may receive credit for integration.
  o Obtain the INTEGRATION COMPLETION FORM from the Student Services Office, have it signed by both instructors, and return the original form to the Student Services Office.