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College/School		Department/School	
Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts (CHI)		The Design School (CARCH)	
Submission Type			
Mandatory Review			
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Is this request for a permanent of	course or a topic?		
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Subject Code	Course Number	r	Units/Credit Hours
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Course Information Enter the course catalog inform	nation, found in t	he web course ca	talog or Kuali CM.
Course Title			
Introduction to Computer Mod	eling for Interior	Design	
Course Catalog Description			
Computers in interior design, in illustration, typography, model	_		ic packages, and problem solving,
Enrollment Requirements (Prer	equisites, Corequ	uisites, and/or An	tirequisites)
None			
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### General Studies Gold Designation Request

### Requested Designation

Quantitative Reasoning (QTRS)

Attach a representative syllabus for the course, including course learning outcomes and descriptions of assignments and assessments.

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Quantitative and computational reasoning is essential for success in 21st-century careers, for critically evaluating information in the age of "big data," for assessing the quality of arguments conveyed through digital media, for informed participation in community and social life, and for contributing to the formulation of effective solutions for achieving a sustainable and just future. Quantitative reasoning enables students to apply relevant mathematical, statistical, computational, and visualization methods in academic, social and personal settings.

In a quantitative reasoning course, students learn about data, data management, data summaries, data visualization, and the use of computational tools with data. Data can take many forms, including numerical data, textual data, images, and others. Students also learn about how quantitative reasoning can be used to make arguments clear, precise and verifiable. Finally, they learn to build quantitative models, make predictions, and communicate their findings based on available data. This may include some combination of mathematical, statistical, computational or network models, or visualizations.

Most of the course content should align with the Gold category learning outcomes.

<u>Instructions:</u> In the fields below, state the assignment, project, or assessment that will measure each learning outcome, and provide a description. The description should provide enough detail to show how it measures the learning outcome. If needed, more than one can be identified.

The proposal does not need to include all course assessments that measure a given learning outcome. The provided assessment should include sufficient detail to allow the subcommittee to make their evaluation. When appropriate, the same assessment can be listed for more than one learning outcome (e.g., a culminating project).

You may provide links to a document (Google Drive or Dropbox) that includes the relevant details for the assessment. **Do not provide links to Canvas shells.** 

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List all course-specific learning outcomes. Where appropriate, identify the associated QTRS learning outcome(s) in brackets (see below for example). Note: It is expected that a majority of course-specific learning outcomes will be associated with a QTRS learning outcome.

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- 1. To design hypothetical 3D models in hand drawn sketches and then calculate measurement data to construct 3D environments on the computer [QTRS LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4, LO5]
- 1. To use geometry and the cartesian coordinate system to create 2D objects and extrude objects into 3D along the X, Y or Z axes in communication and decision making regarding proposed future designs [QTRS LO1, LO4, LO5]
- 1. To visually communicate 3D design ideas as a form of explanation, to show clients in views and references planes what the design might appear to be if physically built [QTRS LO4, LO5]
- 1. To accurately measure, analyze, and interpret data of dimensions from the physical environment around us to create accurate representations of 3D furniture and buildings on the computer [LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4, LO5]
- 1. To have a basic understanding of color theory, and how the geo-location of a model can impact light and shadow [QTRS LO1, LO2].
- 1. To select software appropriate to a given task and solve basic design representation problems using a combination of software tools [QTRS L105]

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Keith Smith - February 27, 2025 at 1:35 PM (America/Phoenix)

## **Department Approval**

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#### **GSC Coordinator Review**

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TJ Robedeau - February 27, 2025 at 1:39 PM (America/Phoenix)

Please include in the syllabus the GS Gold Syllabus Statements exactly and with no changes made, "This course fulfills...". The GS Gold Syllabus Statements can be found at the following website: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1JrFD2qKryUpvc0wvj4C2N8i0lqoQKY4XRmFOgkNnyF0/edit?tab=t.0. Thank you!

**April Randall** 

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Syllabus updated.

#### **GSC Coordinator Review**

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TJ Robedeau - February 27, 2025 at 1:46 PM (America/Phoenix)

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#### **Assistant Vice Provost Review**

**Approved** 

Tamiko Azuma - February 27, 2025 at 1:53 PM (America/Phoenix)

All required components confirmed.

### **Pre-GSC Meeting**

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TJ Robedeau - February 28, 2025 at 2:55 PM (America/Phoenix)

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## Quantitative Reasoning (QTRS) Subcommittee

Acknowledgement Requested

Jason Nichols

Terri Kurz - March 25, 2025 at 12:15 PM (America/Phoenix)

Revise and resubmit: The committee was unable to make a thoughtful decision because the submission did not align with the QTRS statement and LOs (the paperwork was filled out incorrectly). If aligned properly, the committee thinks there could be a QTRS designation. This is an applied design course on human factors/ergonomics. There are sufficient quantitative reasoning skills here that need to be addressed by the syllabus and aligned with QTRS requirements. The committee feels that the QTRS statement on the submission form that starts with "Quantitative and computational reasoning is essential for success..." needs to be reviewed and the course needs to align with this statement and all LOs.

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## **General Studies Council Meeting**

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