Collin College - Continuing Education

Course Syllabus

Course Title: **Color in Interior Design**

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Course Description: Color is the foundation of any well decorated space. Learn the basics of color in interior design using color tools, and by creating a project board for the interior design of a designated space. Experiment with color tools, paint chips, fabric samples and other resources to create a color palette for the space.

Hours: 8  Sessions: 4  10AM- 12PM Saturdays

Course Prerequisite(s): None

Course Objectives:
1. Learn key color terms
2. Establish a color palette in a furnished home
3. Establish a color palette in an unfurnished home
4. Guidelines for specifying color to cover each room
5. Learn the most common color errors
6. Use color to connect a wall to art, accessories and décor.
7. How to create a professional color board

Lesson Plans:
**Session 1: Why is color important in interior design?**
- Color in a basket
- What’s color got to do with it? Review of principles of interior design
- Color quiz exercise
- If this chair were blue….
- Color tools you can start using today

**Session 2: How to pick colors using the color wheel**
- Principles of using the color wheel
- Color wheel exercise
- Creating designer color boards

**Session 3: Color changes everything (warm vs. cool class design board assignment)**
- Warm vs. Cool design boards – Cass Group Assignment
- Establishing color palette unfurnished spaces
- Establishing color palette furnished spaces
- If these walls could talk – color techniques for interior design walls

**Session 4: How to spot color trends. Sherwin Williams Field Trip. Individual Class Boards**
- Sherwin Williams Field Trip
- Solid techniques to ensure ANY color works will in your space
- Final Class Color Boards- Your Space

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