About IIDA

- It is a **professional networking** and **educational association**
- More than 15,000 members in 58 countries
- Provides students the **resources** they need for educational and professional development

Give aspiring designers unique opportunities to **build professional connections** that extend well after graduation.
Joining

Students can join IIDA if they are enrolled in the Interior Design program at ISU and pay the national dues ($60) to the IIDA Headquarters.

**IIDA activity fee:** $15 for the whole year OR $10 per semester

**Faculty advisor:** Elke Altenburger

**Meetings:** IIDA meets on the last Wednesday of every month to discuss upcoming events and features a guest speaker from the industry.

**Benefits:**

- Speakers from various areas of our profession
- Professional development and networking
- Service events→ must participate in 2
- Fundraising events→ must participate in 2
- Mentor/mentee program
- Social activities
Activities

Local tours (Children’s Discovery Museum, David Davis Mansion)

Trips (Merchandise Mart, Farnsworth House, Herman Miller Headquarters)

Central Illinois Chapter IIDA Events (Fall Mixer, Photobash)

Service Opportunities (Polar Plunge, Habitat for Humanity, Habitat Restore)

Mentor/Mentee Program:

- Pairing with someone else in the program who is there to help with homework, projects, and adapt to the program

Benefits:

- Meet new people, receive help on projects, learn about new opportunities, participate in activities and contests