



DESIGN RESEARCH AWARD

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OVERVIEW

IDC's Design Research Award is awarded annually to candidates who demonstrate excellence and innovation through research relevant to the interior design profession. The Interior Design Research Award is presented by Milliken and administered by Interior Designers of Canada.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Research must be conducted at the master's or doctorate level, or conducted by an interior design practitioner or educator at an IDC recognized institution, or conducted by final-year students through a major research project (MRP). Applicants must submit in one of the following two categories:

Educator/Practitioner category:

- The applicant is a current educator of interior design at any IDC recognized institution
- An educator member of IDC in good standing at the time of submission
- A Registered practitioner member of IDC in good standing at the time of submission who is completing graduate studies at the master's or doctorate level (studying full-or part-time)
- A Registered practitioner or educator conducting independent or third-party research

Student/Intern category:

- The applicant must be a final-year student academically enrolled in an IDC recognized interior design program
- The applicant must be a student or intern member of IDC in good standing at the time of submission who is completing graduate studies

General Eligibility:

- Applicants can study full- or part-time or can be employed in a full-time or adjunct position
- Appropriate ethics committee clearance or approvals must have been granted prior to submission
- Applicants must declare if research is funded and the funding source
- Published research is eligible
- The research must be the primary effort of the applicant
- Research must be completed within two years preceding the call for submissions; research previously submitted to the Interior Design Research Award **will be judged**
- Previous recipients of IDC's Design Research Award are eligible to apply (**must be new research**)
- Only one applicant per category is eligible to win.
- Applicants in the educator/Practitioner category are awarded a \$5,000 cash prize.
- Applicants in the Student category are awarded a \$2,500 cash prize.

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

- Applicants in the Educator/Practitioner category must submit a well-organized and completed electronic package that includes his/her: Application Form, Curriculum Vitae, Abstract, Full Research Paper, and a Photo/Headshot (high resolution preferred)
- Applicants in the Student category must submit a well-organized and completed electronic package that includes his/her: Application Form, Curriculum Vitae, Summary of Major Final Project or Research, Full Major Research Project or Final Year Project, and Photo/Headshot (high resolution preferred)

PART 1: CURRICULUM VITAE

The candidate will provide a curriculum vitae between 1-2 pages that is well organized and thorough, but summarizes their academic and professional career, which may include his/her:

Education	Lectures and Presentations
Research and Publication	Professional Affiliations
Professional Experience	Other interior design related activities
Scholarships, Honours, Awards	
Community and Volunteer Leadership	

PLEASE ALSO INCLUDE AN ELECTRONIC 5"X7" PHOTO OR HEADSHOT in .jpeg format no larger than 72 dpi with a maximum resolution of 1024x768 pixels.

PART 2: ABSTRACT

The applicant must submit a **500 to 800-word maximum** abstract that details the focus of his/her research, how the research was conducted, the purpose of the research, main research findings or conclusions, and the meaning of the findings. If the research is about a new method or apparatus, he/she may also want to address the advantages of the method/apparatus, and how well it works.

Your abstract:

- Should be 500 to 800 words typed double space in 11 point font
- The title page should contain your name and the title of your research only
- All pages should be numbered, except the title page. Please use the following order: title page, abstract, table of contents, list of tables/figures (if applicable), list of appendices (if applicable), full research paper
- Your full research paper will be used for reference only. Ensure your points are emphasized proportionally in the abstract to the emphasis they receive in the body of the document
- You may refer to specific pages in your full document
- To save space, avoid if possible, trade names, acronyms, abbreviations, or symbols

Please stay within the allotted guidelines. The judges strictly enforce these guidelines and will not consider additional information.

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

The candidate's application must be sent to the attention of Interior Designers of Canada, at communications@idcanada.org no later than **3 PM Eastern Time on Wednesday, July 31, 2019**.

- Completed application form, signed and dated with complete contact information (pdf)
- One hard copy of candidate's Curriculum Vitae, Abstract, and Research
- Candidate's Curriculum Vitae (pdf)
- Candidate's Abstract (pdf)
- Candidate's Research (pdf)
- Photo/headshot (jpeg, 72dpi preferred)

JUDGING CRITERIA

Applications will be judged by a jury of three to five representatives from the interior design community, including practitioners, educators, and industry professionals. Jurors may be practising or retired. A fact checker will ensure submissions are original ideas, are authored by the applicant, and have not previously won the Interior Design Research Award.

All entries must exhibit innovative and creative thinking. Applicant's personal information is confidential and will be withheld from jurors.

Entries will be judged on the following criteria:

- Innovative topic/subject and approach to research (30 points)
- Scope and methodology of research (30 points)
- Impact or potential measurable impact on the interior design profession, or the human experience (40 points)

All judges' decisions are final, including the determination of project eligibility. Phone interviews will be conducted *only* if the committee has specific questions for the candidate.

AWARD DETAILS

Award-winners will receive:

- \$5,000 cash prize for winner in the Educator/Practitioner category
- \$2,500 cash prize for winner in the final-year Student category
- A framed certificate and/or trophy presented at the IDC Design Symposium in September
- Flight and accommodation to Design Symposium location, if applicable

The winning candidate of the 2019 Interior Design Research Award will be notified in August