

Membership

A member of IDEC acknowledges his/her membership (at any level) in the Interior Design Educators Council comes with both benefits and responsibilities. A member in good standing is defined as one who fulfills his/her financial obligation to IDEC by timely and complete payment of dues, conference fees, and applicable fees associated with additional member services (e.g. preconference workshops, IDEC products, etc.). (Details regarding membership eligibility can be found in the bylaws).

Professional Membership

Professional Membership shall be open to those educators who hold a full-time appointment, equivalent, and/or sustained engagement in Interior Design education. Those professional members who are promoted into administrative positions will maintain professional membership status.

Benefits:

- Vote on all issues
- Serve in leadership positions such as Board of Directors and Regional Chairs
- Act in any capacity on any committee or assigned position
- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities
- Nominate individual members for Honorary and Fellow status
- Nominate candidates for any IDEC award
- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access “members only” section of the website
- Access the IDEC listserv
- Be identified on the membership list as Professional Members and use the appellation “IDEC”

Associate Membership

Associate Membership shall be open to those educators who hold a part-time or adjunct position in Interior Design education and those interested in Interior Design education who do not meet the qualification of other membership categories.

Benefits:

- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access “members only” section of the website
- Access to the IDEC listserv
- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities
- Be identified on the membership list as Associate Member and use the appellation “IDEC Associate”

Graduate Membership

Graduate Membership shall be open to individuals who are engaged in graduate studies and are not concurrently full-time educators. Eligibility shall be verified by the applicant's department head or equivalent.

Benefits:

- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access "members only" section of the website
- Access to the IDEC listserv
- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities Be identified on the membership list as Graduate Student Member

Industry Affiliate Membership

Industry Affiliate Membership shall be open to industry allies interested in Interior Design education and the activities of IDEC.

Benefits:

- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access "members only" section of the website
- Access to the IDEC listserv
- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities
- Be identified on the membership lists as Industry Affiliate Member

Honorary Membership

Honorary Membership is an invitational category designed to recognize significant contributions to Interior Design education by individuals not eligible to be professional members.

Benefits:

- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access "members only" section of the website
- Access to the IDEC listserv
- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities
- Be identified on the membership lists as Honorary Member

Retired Membership

Retired Membership shall be open to members who are officially retired from their educational institution or design-related practice

Benefits:

- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access "members only" section of the website
- Access to the IDEC listserv

- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities
- Be identified on the membership lists as Retired Member and use the appellation 'IDEC retired'

Fellow Membership

Fellow status is a Professional Membership category designed to honor those members who have demonstrated sustained and significant participation in the Interior Design Educators Council, as well as ongoing and valuable contributions to interior design education. Fellow membership status is voted on by the members of the Council of Fellows.

Benefits:

- Vote on all issues
- Serve in leadership positions such as Board of Directors and Regional Chairs
- Act in any capacity on any committee or assigned position
- Serve on committees, task forces, or in other volunteer capacities
- Nominate individual members for Honorary and Fellow status
- Nominate candidates for any IDEC award
- Attend all meetings and functions of IDEC
- Receive all publications and mailings
- Access “members only” section of the website
- Access the IDEC listserv
- Be identified on the membership list as Fellow Members and use the appellation “FIDEC”

Institutional Membership

Institutional Membership is a category whereby educational institutions with multiple educators engaged in Interior Design education and or research can itself become a member of IDEC. The institution identifies those qualified educators or researchers included in the institutional membership. The institution must offer Interior Design instruction. Benefits: Individual member benefits would be dependent on the chosen membership category (see appropriate category above).