Greetings from the Department of Interior Architecture
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro

The IARc department wraps up a great year of design in the month of May.

Students’ Exhibit Work in Final Critiques

1. [4th] year Brian Peck discussing his furniture. Photo by Travis Hicks
2. [4th] year Kayla McDonough talking to Stoel about her acoustical panels. Photo by Travis Hicks
3. [3rd] and [4th] year Jonathon’s Studio’s digital fabrication designs at the CVA gallery. Photo by Christine Lumans
4. [1st] year Grad Christine Lumans posing with her 3D printed luminaire. Photo by Claudia Aguilera

As the semester came to a close, our students exhibited their hard work to the public and their fellow classmates. Stoel’s [1st] year students created temporary installations for a fundraiser at the Weatherspoon Art Museum, and Tommy’s and Beth’s [2nd] year students presented designs for a hypothetical UNCG Global Engagement Center on campus. Stephanie’s [3rd] year students exhibited their designs for various local retail environments and Travis’s combined [3rd] and [4th] year studio displayed their product design work for the Solar Decathlon house. Jonathon’s combined [3rd] and [4th] year studio held their gallery opening at the Center for Visual Arts downtown to present their digitally fabricated canopy installation and Jo’s [4th] year studio presented their designs for the adaptive rehabilitation of Pickett Cotton Mill. Finally, Tina’s [1st] year Graduate students showed their individual work related to their thesis research. For more info, see iBlog
Awarding Excellence

After Jo Leimenstoll’s [4th] year studio class won 1st and 3rd place in the Made in America competition at the Woodlawn Plantation in Alexandria, VA. They received even more recognition in a recent article published in the Washington Post. The competition involved transforming the plantation into a modern home using only products made in America. Congratulations to Jo and her team of students for their hard work and well deserved recognition. For more info, see Washington Post article

IARc would also like to recognize Assistant Professor Travis Hicks for winning the UNCG junior faculty 2012-2013 College of Arts & Sciences Teaching Excellence Award for his exemplary work in our department. For more info, see Award

Hail to the Graduates!

Kara Harman, Travis Hicks, Kelly Harris at the honors awards banquet. Photo by Patrick Lee Lucas

Congratulations to all of our IARc students who graduated on May 10th. UNCG IARc alumni and Design Director for the Gensler Charlotte office, Holly Hampton Christian, spoke to the graduates offering words of wisdom on their next big steps toward professional design careers. Two of our [4th] year IARc graduates, Kara Harman and Kelly Harris, also graduated with departmental honors. The two were recognized at the Lloyd International Honors College Awards banquet for their achievement. In the departmental graduation ceremony, Anna Will was awarded the Outstanding Graduate Student of the year and Shareece Ramos was awarded the Outstanding Undergraduate Student of the year. Additionally, Alyssa Hankus was given the Award for Community Engagement and Abigail Buchanon was awarded Outstanding Designer. Congratulations again to
everyone, and we look forward to hearing about all of your future accomplishments.

Faculty changes to note

At the graduation ceremony we celebrated the service of both Dr. Patrick Lucas and Jonathon Anderson to the IARc department. They have accepted positions elsewhere and we wish them both bright and successful futures. As previously posted, Patrick will be starting in the fall at the University of Kentucky as the new Director for the School of Interiors; however, Jonathon’s leaving is recent news that comes from him accepting a position at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas where he will be a tenure track faculty member running their version of a CAMstudio. We are sad to see him go but wish him much happiness. For more info, see iblog!

On a happier note, Tina Sarawgi recently had her first child, Raghav Sarawgi Ganapati. He was born on the 10th of May, 2013 at 5:58 a.m. in Durham, NC. The baby and family are all doing fine!

Furniture and Material Donations

The IARc department is excited to announce some recent material and furniture donations to our department. We would like to thank Tommy Hooker and Oldcastle Surfaces, Inc. for coordinating the donation of our new Caesarstone countertop for our departmental library and John Romano for organizing the donation of two Knoll “Jamaica” Barstools that will complete the new student workstation in the library. Next we are hoping for some new shelving to be donated to house our burgeoning resources.

Final remarks
We want to wish everyone a safe and happy summer. Again, congratulations to
the class of 2013.

And, as always, stay informed on all of the exciting IARc happenings through the [i]blog!

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