

# Starting out in interior design and becoming an interior designer

## Should I get a job or work for myself?

### INTERIOR DESIGNER'S BUSINESS SCHOOL

Which option is right for you? Should you look for a job and work your way up or should you just get out there and give it a go?

#### When to work for someone else:

##### **Straight out of school (young or under 25).**

Interior design isn't just about designing. You need a certain level of maturity to deal with clients, run projects and deal with stressful situations.



##### **Wanting to work on large, complex or commercial projects.**

Big projects require teams of designers and lots of resources. This is not something anyone is capable of doing on their own, especially not at the beginning of their career.



##### **Wanting to work in a team environment.**

Working alone or from home isn't for everyone. If you like to be in a sociable, team environment, this is the right path to start with.



#### When to go freelance:

##### **Your end goal is to work for yourself.**

Just because you work for someone else, doesn't mean that you'll get the experience you're looking for. Also, you can pick up bad habits from your boss and colleagues.



##### **You want to stay in the domestic sector.**

If you aren't interested in working on large scale projects, it makes sense to start working on domestic projects straight away. Also, it's easier to get a client than it is to get a job.



##### **You're starting this career later in life.**

You have life experience and transferable skills so why start at the bottom working for low wages when you can be your own boss straight away.

