



COLLEGE OF BUILT ENVIRONMENTS ARCHITECTURE

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN / Pre-Professional

The Department of Architecture offers a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Architectural Design for students who are interested in the professional practice of architecture. This program allows for advanced standing into most Masters of Architecture programs.

APPLICATION

Complete applications are due the first day of UW's spring quarter for entrance in autumn quarter only. The application includes: transcripts, DARS report, a personal statement, personal resume, and samples of creative work. Admission decisions are based on an applicant's academic performance and potential, extent and quality of relevant experience, and personal motivation. Completion of prerequisite requirements does not guarantee admission.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Junior year admission requires the completion of ARCH prerequisites and a minimum of 90 credits, including planned completion of all General Education & Areas of Inquiry before beginning the major. The application deadline for admission is the first Monday of spring quarter.

TRANSFER ADMISSION

Transfer students may apply for admission to the major. The application and admission processes are the same as those for current UW students, however a separate application is required for UW admission. Students not currently enrolled at UW may take the prerequisite courses as a **non-matriculated** student: <https://www.nondegree.uw.edu/>

DUAL DEGREE WITH CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

The department offers a 5-year dual BA in Architectural Design / BS in Construction Management with the Department of Construction Management. Students who are admitted to the ARCH Design major are eligible to apply for the dual degree during their first year in the ARCH Design major. They do not need to complete the BS in CM prerequisites for admission or degree completion. Students will complete the 2-year ARCH Design degree and add an additional academic year to finish the dual degree. Please see <https://cm.be.uw.edu/students/undergraduate-programs/dual-degree-with-arch-design/> for more information.

GENERAL EDUCATION & AREAS OF INQUIRY REQUIREMENTS

5cr English Composition
60cr Areas of Inquiry
20cr Arts & Humanities (A&H)
20cr Social Sciences (SSc)
20cr Natural Sciences (NSc)
(including Calc I: MATH 112, 124, 145 or QSCI 291)
5cr Additional Areas of Inquiry
3cr Diversity (D)*
7cr Writing (W)*
ARCH majors may not use ARCH courses to fulfill UW AOI requirements, except ARCH 150, 151, and 251.

** These may also count toward any other requirement, except the 5 credits of English composition.*

PREREQUISITE ARCH COURSES (19 cr)

Students are eligible to start ARCH prerequisites after completing at least 45 credits of their general education / area of inquiry requirements, or the beginning of Sophomore year

5cr	ARCH 200: Design and Representation I	(au)
5cr	ARCH 201: Design and Representation II	(wi)
3cr	ARCH 350: Architecture of the Ancient World	(au)
3cr	ARCH 351: Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance	(wi)
3cr	ARCH 352: History of Modern Architecture	(sp)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (2 academic years, 90 credits)

18cr	ARCH 300/301/302: Intro ARCH Studios	(au/wi/sp)
9cr	ARCH 320/321/322: Intro Structures	(au/wi/sp)
2cr	ARCH 315: Design Drawing III	(au)
4cr	CM 313: Const Materials & Assemblies	(au)
3cr	ARCH 380: Computers in ARCH	(wi)
3cr	ARCH 362: Architecture and Theory**	(wi)
3cr	ARCH 431: Energy and Buildings	(sp)
18cr	ARCH 400/401/402: ARCH Design Studios	(au/wi/sp)
9cr	Selective courses, one from each of the following:	
	• History / Theory	
	• Building Science & Materials	
	• Graphics	
21cr	Upper division elective courses (any 300 or 400-level credits at UW)	

*** These courses can count as writing credits. See your instructor at the beginning of the quarter to inquire.*

Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Design Curriculum

YEAR 1	AUTUMN		WINTER		SPRING	
	Arts & Humanities	(5)	Arts & Humanities	(5)	Arts & Humanities	(5)
	English Composition	(5)	Natural Sciences	(5)	Natural Sciences	(5)
	Calculus	(5)	Social Sciences	(5)	Social Sciences	(5)
	15 CREDITS		15 CREDITS		15 CREDITS	
YEAR 2	ARCH 350 Architecture of the Ancient World		ARCH 351 Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance Arch		ARCH 352 History of Modern Architecture	
	ARCH 200 Design and Representation I	(5)	ARCH 201 Design and Representation II	(5)	Social Sciences	(5)
	Social Sciences	(5)	Arts & Humanities	(5)	Natural Sciences	(5)
	Elective	(1)	* Apply to the major. Applications are due the 1 st day of spring quarter. *		Areas of Knowledge	(5)
	14 CREDITS		13 CREDITS		18 CREDITS	
YEAR 3	ARCH 300 Intro to Architectural Design I		ARCH 301 Intro to Architectural Design II		ARCH 302 Intro to Architectural Design III	
	ARCH 320 Introduction to Structures I	(3)	ARCH 321 Introduction to Structures II	(3)	ARCH 322 Introduction to Structures III	(3)
	ARCH 315 Design Drawing III	(2)	ARCH 380 Computers in Architecture	(3)	ARCH 331 (formerly ARCH 431) Energy and Buildings	(3)
	CM 313 Const Materials and Assemblies	(4)	ARCH 362 Architecture and Theory	(3)	Upper Division Elective	(3)
	15 CREDITS		15 CREDITS		15 CREDITS	
YEAR 4	ARCH 400 Architectural Design IV		ARCH 401 Architectural Design V		ARCH 402 Architectural Design VI	
	History/Theory Selective	(3)	Building Science/Materials Selective	(3)	Upper Division Elective	(3)
	Upper Division Elective	(3)	Graphics Selective	(3)	Upper Division Elective	(3)
	Upper Division Elective	(3)	Upper Division Elective	(3)	Upper Division Elective	(3)
	15 CREDITS		15 CREDITS		15 CREDITS	

- **Gray** indicates courses that are taught only in particular quarters and must be taken in sequence. All other selective and elective courses are offered in multiple quarters and may be shifted to other quarters depending on student's interest and course offerings
- "Upper Division Electives" are any 300- or 400-level classes offered at UW (these can also be used to complete requirements a minor in another area of interest)
- Studying abroad within the ARCH DESIGN major is possible, usually during Autumn (Rome) or Spring (varying cities) quarter of the final year in the program. Offerings are subject to department availability. A typical ARCH study abroad program includes one 6-cr studio (usually ARCH 400 or 402), a 3cr History/Theory selective, and 6 credits of upper division ARCH coursework. Otherwise, students can study abroad via other UW programs in summer quarter. Inquire with the Study Abroad office.