

ARCHITECTURE, M.ARCH

The professional Master of Architecture degree program (M.Arch) is accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) (<http://architecture.tulane.edu/programs/naab-accreditation/>) and is open to students with a baccalaureate degree in any field from an accredited college or university. The M.Arch program fulfills the professional degree requirements leading to architectural licensure and registration. Two distinct tracks (3.5 years and 2 years) accommodate students' diverse undergraduate backgrounds.

3.5-year track

The 3.5-year track is structured for students with an accredited baccalaureate degree in any field. The seven-semester curriculum begins with a summer semester, followed by six semesters that include core instruction to fulfill NAAB requirements in addition to elective studios and seminars.

2-year track (advanced standing)

The 2-year track provides an accelerated path for students with substantial architectural education. Those with a pre-professional degree such as a Bachelor of Science in Architecture or a Bachelor of Environmental Design, or international students with a terminal architecture degree in their respective country who wish to work towards licensure in the US and Canada should apply to this track to gain advanced standing within the M.Arch program.

The Director of Graduate Architecture determines the level of advanced standing based on students' college transcripts and design portfolio strength. Typically, students will complete the curriculum in four semesters, which include core instruction to fulfill NAAB requirements in addition to elective studios and seminars. International students with license to practice architecture or eligible for licensure in their respective countries may qualify for further advanced standing to complete the degree in three semesters.

Dual degree options

Graduate students may pursue a Master of Architecture degree in conjunction with a Master of Preservation Studies or Master of Sustainable Real Estate degree, typically with one additional semester of course work. Learn more on the Dual Degree (<http://architecture.tulane.edu/programs/dual-degree/>) page on the School of Architecture's website, or by contacting Program Directors of Architecture (<https://architecture.tulane.edu/academics/architecture/>), Historic Preservation (<https://architecture.tulane.edu/academics/preservation/>) or Real Estate Development (<https://architecture.tulane.edu/academics/real-estate/>).

Requirements

Course ID	Title	Credits
History/Theory Sequence		
ARCH 6110	Intro to Architecture *	3
ARCH 6111	Topics in Architecture History/Theory ¹	1.5
ARCH 6112	Topics in Architecture History/Theory ¹	1.5
ARCH 6113	Topics in Architecture History/Theory ¹	1.5
ARCH 6114	Topics in Architecture History/Theory ¹	1.5
ARCH 6130	Architectural Research Methods ²	3
Digital Media Sequence		
ARCH 6311	Digital Media *	3
ARCH 6312	Advanced Digital Media	3
Studio Sequence		
ARCH 6011	Architecture Studio *	6
ARCH 6012	Architecture Studio *	6
ARCH 6021	Architecture Studio *	6
ARCH 6022	Architecture Studio *	6
ARCH 6031	Architecture Studio	6
ARCH 6032	Architecture Studio	6
ARCH 6051	Advanced Studio Elective / Research	6
Technological Sequence ³		
ARCH 6211	Site Strategies *	3
ARCH 6212	Materials and Methods *	3
ARCH 6213	Building, Climate, Comfort *	4
ARCH 6214	Structural Systems *	4

ARCH 6215	Integrated Building Systems ⁴	4
Professional Concerns Sequence		
ARCH 6511	Professional Concerns I	3
ARCH 6512	Professional Concerns II	3
Electives		
General Electives (4) ⁵		12
History/Theory Elective (1)		3
Credits from either thesis or non-thesis studio options during the final year (listed below)		12
Total Credit Hours		111

* Course may be substituted by previous coursework for advanced standing students (2-year program).

¹ ARCH 6111 concurrently with ARCH 6112 and ARCH 6113 must be taken concurrently with ARCH 6114

² Advanced standing students must take ARCH 6130 Arch Research Methods in the fall of their first year.

³ Students in the 2-year program typically receive advanced standing credit for three out of the four available technology courses. If a student qualifies for advance standing on all four, they must take an additional elective course.

⁴ Advanced standing is not available for ARCH 6215 Integrated Building Systems.

⁵ In addition to electives from the Architecture catalog, students may take courses from the Preservation Studies or Sustainable Real Estate programs.

Course ID	Title	Credits
Thesis option		
ARCH 6980	Thesis Research	3
ARCH 6925	Independent Thesis Research	3
ARCH 6990	Thesis Studio	6
Total Credit Hours		12

Course ID	Title	Credits
Non-thesis option		
Elective Courses in addition the the 5 listed above (2)		6
ARCH 6052	Advanced Studio Elective / Research	6
Total Credit Hours		12