

MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE (M.L.A.)

The degree is accredited by the Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB).

A three-year program for students who have no design or planning background leads to the fully accredited professional degree of Master of Landscape Architecture (M.L.A.). This program is for students who intend to complete coursework full time. Applicants with a related design or planning degree may enter the three-year program with advanced standing.

The M.L.A. program, for the student seeking a first professional degree in landscape architecture, is a tightly structured curriculum because it includes the prerequisite course work that qualifies the graduate to take the Landscape Architecture Registration Examination (L.A.R.E.).

M.L.A. Program Requirements

LSA 500	Digital Methods & Graphics I	3
LSA 501	Landscape Representation II	3
LSA 552	Graphic Communication	3
LSA 600	Design Studio I	4
LSA 601	Design Studio II	4
LSA 605	History of Landscape Arch	3
LSA 611	Natural Factors Analysis	3
LSA 615	Site Construction	3
LSA 620	Design Studio III	4
LSA 632	Plants and Landscapes	2
LSA 633	Planting Design&Practice	3
LSA 640	Research Methods	3
LSA 645	Construct Document Studio	3
LSA 650	Behavr Factor/Comm Desgn	3
LSA 651	Comprehensive Land Plan	3
LSA 655	Prof Prac/Lndscpe Arch	3
LSA 670	Thematic Land Dsgn Studio	6
LSA 697	Topics+Issues/Land Arch	1

LSA 700	Design Studio V	4
LSA 799	Capstone/Thesis Prop Dev	3
LSA 800	Capstone Studio	6

Final Integrative Experience

M.L.A. students must complete an integrative experience. Students must participate in the capstone studio and complete a 6-credit independent design project during the final semester of the program. M.L.A. students must disseminate the results of their integrative studies through capstone seminars.

The M.L.A. program requires 70 credit hours.

Master of Science (M.S.)

The M.S. in Landscape Architecture program serves the advanced professional, and therefore, course requirements do not address foundation professional courses in landscape architecture. The student, in consultation with the major professor and steering committee, has great flexibility in developing a program of study suited to career goals in the chosen area of study.

M.S. Program Requirements

LSA 640	Research Methods	3
LSA 697	Topics+Issues/Land Arch	1
LSA 799	Capstone/Thesis Prop Dev	3
LSA 899	Masters Thesis Research	1 - 12

Students may register for LSA 899 Master's Thesis Research as necessary for completion up to the time limit of the M.S. program. Minimum of 6 credits required.

Final Integrative Experience

M.S. students must complete an integrative experience and must complete a thesis (6 credits). The thesis may be research in which new, original knowledge is generated, it may be a study that focuses on the application of existing knowledge to a new situation, or it may combine both elements. Students must disseminate the results of their integrative studies through capstone seminars.

Doctoral Level Studies

Doctoral level studies in landscape architecture may be tailored in connection with the interdisciplinary Ph.D. program in the Graduate Program in Environmental Science (GPES). Please see The Division of Environmental Science section of this catalog.