

Montana State University- School of Architecture Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Design 126 credits

130-150 students- 63% male 37% female



≈ 100 students



≈ 85-90 students apply

Application is in May each year



1st Year

Fall Semester

ARCH 121IA -Intro to Design	3
ARCH 151RA- Design Fund. I	4
M 151Q or M 171Q- PreCalculus or Calculus	4
1 CORE Class (D, W, US, IS, IH, IN,CS)	3

Semester Credit total 14 credits



Spring Semester

ARCH 152- Design Fund. II	4
PHYX 205- College Physics	4
2-3 CORE Classes (D, W, US, IS, IH, IN,CS)	6-9

Semester Credit total 14-17 credits



Apply for Formal Admission to the Environmental Design Program

- Up to 78 qualified students admitted
- 3.0 Overall GPA
- Portfolio
- Students are formally admitted for the next 3 years of the program.
- There is no application process at the end of 2nd or 3rd year.



2nd Year

Fall Semester

ARCH 241 -Bldg Construction I	3
ARCH 253- Architectural Design I	5
ARCH 261- Arch Graphics I	3
ARCH 322IA- World Arch I	3
1 CORE Class (D, W, US, IS, IH, IN,CS)	3

Semester Credit total 14-17 credits

Spring Semester

ARCH 254 Architectural Design II	5
ARCH 262- Arch Graphics II	3
ARCH 323IA- World Arch II	3
1-2 CORE Class (D, W, US, IS, IH, IN,CS)	3-6

Semester Credit total 14-17 credits

3rd Year

Fall Semester

ARCH 331- ECS I	4
ARCH 343- Arch Structures I	4
ARCH 355- Architectural Design III	5
ARCH 363- Arch Graphics III	3

Semester Credit total 16 credits

Spring Semester

ARCH 332- ECS II	4
ARCH 344 -Arch Structures II	4
ARCH 340 Bldg Constructions II	4
ARCH 356- Architectural Design IV	5

Semester Credit total 17 credits

4th Year

Fall Semester (or Summer)

ARCH 431 Sustainability in Arch	3
Electives as needed	3-6
Take 1 of the following;	
ARCH 450- Comm, Design Center	5
ARCH 414/428 Foreign Study	12
ARCH 458 Remote Studio	5
ARCH 498 Internship	12
Semester Credit total	12-15 credits

Spring Semester

ARCH 413- Professional Practice	3
ARCH 452 Arch Research Methods	3
ARCH 457 Architectural Design V	5
Non-Arch Electives	3-6

Semester Credit total 14-17 credits



≈ 75 students

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Graduate in 4 years with a B.A. in Environmental Design
90% graduation rate

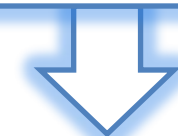
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≈ 60-65 students

Apply for Fall Admission to the M.ARCH Program during January of 4th year

- ≈ 60-65 students admitted- 80% - 85% of the undergraduate students
- 3.0 Overall GPA
- Portfolio
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- GRE



Montana State University- School of Architecture Master of Architecture (M.ARCH) 42 credits

NAAB Accredited Degree

3-4 semesters


 ≈ 60-65 students admitted

Graduate Program

Fall Semester

ARCH 558 Adv. Building Studio	6
ARCH 535 Adv. Building Systems	3
ARCH 526 Adv. Architectural Theory	3
Graduate Elective	3

Semester Credit total 15 credits

Spring Semester

ARCH 551 Adv. Architecture Studio	6
ARCH 575 Research Paper/Project	4
(ARCH 575 must be taken in Spring semester)	
2 Graduate Electives	5

Semester Credit total 15 credits

Optional Summer

ARCH 551 Adv. Architecture Studio	6
Graduate Electives	3

Semester Credit total 9 credits

Fall Semester

ARCH 560 –Master Studio Project	6
(ARCH 560 must be taken in a Fall Term)	
2 Graduate Electives	6

Semester Credit total 12 credits



M.ARCH Graduation

≈ 60% of students graduate in 3 semesters
 ≈ 40% of students graduate in 4 semesters

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Graduate Electives may be taken from the following categories;

ARCH 471–Directed Research	1-3
ARCH 521- Architectural Theory	3
ARCH 522- Historical Issues in Arch.	3
ARCH 523- Issues in City Planning	3
ARCH 524- Design Competition	3
ARCH 525- Special Design Topic	3
ARCH 527- Arch. Meaning and Place	3
ARCH 533- Adv. ECS	3
ARCH 543- Adv. Applied Design and Constr.	3
ARCH 545- Adv. Structures	3
ARCH 556- Adv. Studies in Interior Design	3
ARCH 564- Adv. Arch. Graphics	3
ARCH 565- Adv. Comp. Graphics	3
ARCH 566- Photography for Architecture	3
Additional Graduate electives available in other Departments	

National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) requires that a student complete 45 credits of non-Architecture coursework prior to receiving their accredited degree. At Montana State University the NAAB accredited degree is the M.ARCH. Students can complete their non-Architecture coursework as part of their undergraduate or graduate degree. The CORE Curriculum requirements typically fulfill 27-30 of the required 45 credits. The remaining 15-18 credits can be any coursework that is not designated as ARCH rubric. A student may choose to take a wide selection of coursework they are interested in or the student may choose to focus the credits toward earning a minor as part of the undergraduate degree. Many minors are 18-21 credits beyond the CORE requirements.