LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE - M.L.A. II

College of Architecture and Environmental Design
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About This Program
From design studios to field experiences, the post-professional M.L.A. degree prepares graduates to tackle complex issues related to landscape architecture and urban planning. Read more...

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• Connect with an Admissions Counselor: U.S. Student | International Student

Program Delivery
• Delivery:
  • In person
• Location:
  • Cleveland

Examples of Possible Careers and Salaries*

Landscape architects
• -2.4% decline
• 24,500 number of jobs
• $70,630 potential earnings

Architectural and engineering managers
• 2.6% slower than the average
• 198,100 number of jobs
• $149,530 potential earnings

Architecture teachers, postsecondary
• 5.1% faster than the average
• 8,500 number of jobs
• $90,880 potential earnings

Urban and regional planners
• 11.0% much faster than the average
• 39,700 number of jobs
• $75,950 potential earnings

For more information about graduate admissions, visit the graduate admission website. For more information on international admissions, visit the international admission website.

Admission Requirements
• Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree that is accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accrediting Board (LAAB)
• Minimum 2.750 undergraduate GPA on a 4.000-point scale
• Official transcript(s)
• Curriculum vitae
• Goal statement
• Portfolio of design work
• Three letters of recommendation
• English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions to waive) by earning one of the following:¹
  • Minimum 79 TOEFL iBT score
  • Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
  • Minimum 58 PTE score
  • Minimum 110 DET score

¹ International applicants who do not meet the above test scores will not be considered for admission.

Application Deadlines
• Fall Semester
  • Application deadline: February 1

Applications submitted after this deadline will be considered on a space-available basis.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

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LARC 60798 MASTER PROJECT IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE RESEARCH
LARC 60799 MASTERS PROJECT IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
LARC 66992 FIELD STUDY IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
LARC 66995 SPECIAL TOPICS IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
RPTM 56070 PARK PLANNING
UD 55705 FORCES THAT SHAPE CITIES
UD 65101 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROCESS
UD 65102 URBAN SYSTEMS
UD 65632 URBAN ECOLOGICAL SYSTEMS
UD 66995 SPECIAL TOPICS IN URBAN DESIGN

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 60

1 Students may replace LARC 60106 with LARC 60799 with advisor approval.

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Major GPA | Minimum Overall GPA
- | 3.000

• No more than one-half of a graduate student’s coursework may be taken in 50000-level courses.
• Grades below C are not counted toward completion of requirements for the degree.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Synthesize higher level learning necessary to practice landscape architecture.
2. Develop critical understanding through increased independent, collaborative, interdisciplinary and course-based research.

Full Description

The Master of Landscape Architecture II degree in Landscape Architecture is a post-professional program intended for students to develop new knowledge through research and design, and to provide professionals with the opportunity for specialization in an area of their choosing.

Students are engaged in issues — ranging from hydrology in the Great Lakes and Ohio River Basins watershed to the role of urban landscapes associated with industrial cities. In addition, students study matters of global significance relating to the role of landscape and design relative to reclamation of urban vacancies, infrastructural systems, natural resources, climate change, water quality for health and social justice and cultural landscapes.

Individual capstone research or advanced design studios comprise the second year of study.