



## MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE / MASTER OF COMMUNITY PLANNING

### Curriculum:

The curriculum for the M ARCH / MCP program is designed to provide an intense exposure to the allied disciplines of architecture and planning. The degree-track minimizes the amount of time required to complete dual Masters degrees in architecture and planning.

#### SEMESTER 1

ARCH	600	Comprehensive Studio	6
ARCH	611	Advanced Technology	3
USRP	605	Planning History and Theory	3
<b>Semester Credit Hour Total</b>			<b>12</b>

#### SEMESTER 2

ARCH	460	Site Analysis and Design	3
ARCH	654	Urban Development	3
ARCH	xxx	Elective History of Architecture	3
<b>Semester Credit Hour Total</b>			<b>9</b>

#### SEMESTER 3

ARCH	700	Urban Design Studio	6
USRP	600	Planning Research Applications	3
USRP	606	Urban Economics	3
<b>Semester Credit Hour Total</b>			<b>12</b>

#### SEMESTER 4

ARCH	xxx	Approved Elective	3
USRP	601	Research Methods	3
USRP	604	Planning Process	3
USRP	xxx	Elective Social Requirement	3
<b>Semester Credit Hour Total</b>			<b>12</b>

#### SEMESTER 5

ARCH	770	Professional Practice	3
ARCH	797	Thesis Proseminar	3
USRP	704	Community Planning Studio	3
<b>Semester Credit Hour Total</b>			<b>9</b>

#### SEMESTER 6

ARCH	798	Thesis	6
ARCH	799	Thesis Research	3
<b>Semester Credit Hour Total</b>			<b>9</b>

<b>SEMESTER 7 (Summer)</b>	
USRP 703 Community Planning Field Instruction	6
<b><i>Semester Credit Hour Total</i></b>	<b>6</b>
<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED FOR MARCH / MCP DEGREE</b>	<b>69</b>

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#### **ACCREDITATION**

In the United States, most state registration boards require a degree from an accredited professional degree program as a prerequisite for licensure. The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which is the sole agency authorized to accredit U.S. professional degree programs in architecture, recognizes three types of degrees: the Bachelor of Architecture, the Master of Architecture, and the Doctor of Architecture. A program may be granted a 6-year, 3-year, or 2-year term of accreditation, depending on the extent of its conformance with established educational standards.

Master's degree programs may consist of a pre-professional undergraduate degree and a professional graduate degree that, when earned sequentially, constitute an accredited professional education. However, the pre-professional degree is not, by itself, recognized as an accredited degree.

For more information about accreditation visit the NAAB web site at [www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org). The University of Maryland's most recent accreditation visit took place in March 2005. At its July 2005 meeting, the NAAB board reviewed the Visiting Team Report for the University of Maryland School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation, and granted a full six-year term of accreditation. The program is scheduled for its next accreditation visit in 2011.