

**MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE/MASTER OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION**  
**ARHP – Path B – M ARCH (Path B) + MHP**  
**Curriculum**

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The curriculum for the ARHP program is designed to provide an intense exposure to the allied disciplines of architecture and historic preservation. The degree-track minimizes the amount of time required to complete dual Masters degrees in architecture and historic preservation.

**YEAR 1**

<b>SEMESTER 1</b>		Fall Semester	
ARCH	404	Graduate Studio I	6
ARCH	462	Building Methods and Materials	3
ARCH	443	Visual Communication	3
ARCH	426	History of World Architecture II	3
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>15</b>

<b>SEMESTER 2</b>		Spring Semester	
ARCH	405	Graduate Studio II	6
ARCH	463	Sustainable Systems	3
ARCH	445	Visual Analysis	3
ARCH	425	History of World Architecture I	3
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>15</b>

*Recommended study abroad and/or architectural internship*

**YEAR 2**

<b>SEMESTER 3</b>		Fall Semester	
ARCH	406	Graduate Studio III	6
ARCH	464	Structures I	3
ARCH	466	Building Systems	3
ARCH	460	Site Analysis and Design	3
HISP	600	Intro. Seminar in Preservation	3
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>18</b>

<b>SEMESTER 4</b>		Spring Semester	
ARCH	407	Graduate Studio IV	6
ARCH	465	Structures II	3
ARCH	654	Urban Development and Design Theory	3
ARCH	635	History of Modern Architecture	3
HISP	640	Preservation Law	3
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>18</b>

*Recommended study abroad and/or internship*



**YEAR 3**

<b>SEMESTER 5</b>		Fall Semester	
ARCH	600	Integrated Design Studio	6
ARCH	611	Advanced Architecture Technology	3
HISP	611	Historical Research Methods	3
HISP	680	Preservation Economics	3
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>15</b>

<b>SEMESTER 6</b>		Spring Semester	
ARCH	601	Topical Design Studio	6
HISP	630	Preservation and Planning Policy	3
HISP	670	Conservation of Historic Buildings	3
HISP	635	Social and Ethnic Issues	3
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>15</b>

<b>SUMMER TERM</b>			
HISP	660	Internship	0
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>0</b>

**YEAR 4**

<b>SEMESTER 7</b>		Fall Semester	
ARCH	797	Thesis Proseminar	3
ARCH	770	Professional Practice	3
HISP	650	Studio	6
HISP	655	American Vernacular Architecture	4
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>16</b>

<b>SEMESTER 8</b>		Spring Semester	
ARCH	799	Master's Thesis Research	6
ARCH	798	Thesis in Architecture	3
ARCH	6xx	Architecture Seminar	3
HISP	619M	Professional Practice	2
<b>Semester Total</b>			<b>14</b>

**Total Credit Hours Required for ARHP Degree 126**

*NB: The curriculum above is offered as a visualization of a course of study. Actual course offerings may vary from year to year, semester to semester. Consult the academic advisor for course availability.*

**APPLICANTS:**

Applicants to the Master of Architecture degree-track come from diverse educational backgrounds and from many locations worldwide. They often bring with them valuable insights based on their wide-ranging life and educational experiences. The admissions committee evaluates each candidate based on a portfolio of creative work (free-hand drawing, painting, sculpture and/or other examples of proficiency in the visual arts), transcripts, letters of recommendation, personal statement and Graduate Record Examination performance. The Master of Architecture curriculum depicted above is designed specifically for applicants who have had little or no coursework in architecture during their undergraduate educational experience.

**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**

A complete listing of course descriptions offered by the Architecture Program can be found at: <http://arch.umd.edu/arch/courses>

A complete listing of course descriptions offered by the Historic Preservation can be found at:  
<http://arch.umd.edu/hisp/courses>

**GRADE POINT AVERAGE IN MAJOR POLICY:**

The 3.0 GPA in major policy requires all graduate students matriculating in Fall 2012 to earn a 3.0 grade point average in their major, minor, and/or certificate requirements. With the new plus/minus policy, the minimum grade for most major courses is a B-, now calculated as a 2.7. It is important that graduate students clearly understand what courses make up major, minor and certificate requirements, and that the cumulative GPA for those courses must be at least 3.0.

**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.

Doctor of Architecture and Master of Architecture 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.

The University of Maryland School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation offers the following NAAB-accredited degree programs:

M.Arch (pre-professional degree + 60 graduate credits)

M.Arch (non-pre-professional degree + 105 credits)

Next accreditation visit for both programs: 2025

Current information about the University of Maryland's Accreditation Status can be found at:  
<http://arch.umd.edu/arch/naab-accreditation>

Additional information about NAAB can be found at: [www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org)

**QUALIFYING FOR ADVANCED STANDING:**

A condition of admission with advanced standing in the Architecture Program is documentation to verify completion of National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB) Student Performance Criteria (SPC) that applicants have satisfied in prior coursework at their undergraduate institution. This requirement is now a condition of accreditation for all NAAB accredited architecture programs. The relevant text from the NAAB 2014 Conditions for Accreditation below:

**PART TWO (II): SECTION 3—EVALUATION OF PREPARATORY EDUCATION**

The program must demonstrate that it has a thorough and equitable process for evaluating the preparatory or pre-professional education of individuals admitted to the NAAB-accredited degree program.

- Programs must document their processes for evaluating a student's prior academic course work related to satisfying NAAB student performance criteria when a student is admitted to the professional degree program.
- In the event a program relies on the preparatory educational experience to ensure that admitted students have met certain SPC, the program must demonstrate it has established standards for ensuring these SPC are met and for determining whether any gaps exist.
- The program must demonstrate that the evaluation of baccalaureate-degree or associate-degree content is clearly articulated in the admissions process, and that the evaluation process and its implications for the length of a professional degree program can be understood by a candidate before accepting the offer of admission. See also Condition II.4.6.

[NOTE: A review of course titles and descriptions in and of itself is not considered sufficient for this activity.]

Applicants for the Master of Architecture with Advanced Standing shall have completed the following coursework as part of their undergraduate degree in architecture equivalent to:

- 4 – Architectural Design Studios (6 credits each)
- 1 – Building Materials and Assemblies course (3 credits min.)
- 2 – Structural Systems Courses (3 credits each min.)
- 1 – Environmental Systems Course (3 credits min.)
- 1 – Sustainable Systems Course (3 credits min.)
- 2 – History of World Architecture Courses (3 credits each min.)

The course work must satisfy National Architectural Accrediting Board Student Performance criteria, which are either met or partially met in the University of Maryland's Bachelor of Science Program and serve as pre-requisites for admission to the M ARCH program with advanced standing. The student shall have received a grade no less than B (3.0) in the courses in question. The NAAB SPC required for advanced standing consideration are:

A.1	Professional Communication Skills**	B.1	Pre-Design*
A.2	Design Thinking Skills**	B.2	Site Design*
A.3	Investigative Skills*	B.3.	Codes and Regulations*
A.4	Architectural Design Skills**	B.5	Structural Systems*
A.5	Ordering Systems *	B.6	Environmental Systems*
A.6	Use of Precedents**	B.8	Building Materials and Assemblies*
A.7	History and Global Culture**	B.9	Building Service Systems*
A.8	Cultural Diversity and Social Equity **		

\*Indicates criterion is partially met in the pre-professional degree

\*\*Indicates that criterion is met in the pre-professional degree

#### **Supporting Materials Required for Verification:**

Final determination of an applicant's eligibility for advanced standing in the M ARCH program will be made after he/she has been offered admission. Candidates will be informed of their eligibility to apply for advanced standing in the letter offering admission. Candidates who desire to be considered for advanced standing will be required to submit additional evidence to demonstrate that they satisfied required NAAB SPC to a satisfactory extent during the course of their undergraduate degree program. The following materials will be used in the evaluation process:

- The portfolio of academic work from architectural design studios (submitted as part of the regular application process).
- Course syllabi for each course taken during the applicant's undergraduate education in the following areas:
  - Structures courses
  - Building methods and materials courses
  - Mechanical, electrical and plumbing courses
  - Sustainable systems courses
  - Design studios
  - History / theory courses
  - Professional practice courses (if any)
  - Any other course for which you satisfied an NAAB SPC
- Assignments, projects, examinations, tests, and quizzes that serve as evidence of successful completion of the SPC from the above courses.

If deficiencies in SPC are found to exist, the applicant's curriculum will be modified to include additional coursework to satisfy the NAAB SPC requirements.



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DUAL DEGREE  
Prerequisite: B.A. or B.S.

REQUIRED COURSEWORK IN ARCHITECTURE			Credits
ARCH 404	Graduate Studio I		6
ARCH 405	Graduate Studio II		6
ARCH 406	Graduate Studio III		6
ARCH 407	Graduate Studio IV		6
ARCH 425	History of World Architecture I		3
ARCH 426	History of World Architecture II		3
ARCH 443	Visual Communication		3
ARCH 445	Visual Analysis		3
ARCH 460	Site Analysis and Design		3
ARCH 462	Building Methods and Materials		3
ARCH 463	Sustainable Systems		3
ARCH 464	Structures I		3
ARCH 465	Structures II		3
ARCH 466	Building Systems		3
ARCH 600	Integrated Design Studio		6
ARCH 601	Topical Design Studio		6
ARCH 611	Advanced Architecture Technology		3
ARCH 635	History of Modern Architecture		3
ARCH 654	Urban Development and Design Theory		3
ARCH 770	Professional Practice		3
ARCH 797	Thesis Proseminar		3
ARCH 798	Thesis in Architecture		3
ARCH 799	Master's Thesis Research		6
ARCH 6xx	Architecture Seminar		3
<b>Minimum Credit Hours in the M ARCH Degree</b>			<b>93</b>

REQUIRED COURSEWORK IN HISTORIC PRESERVATION			Credits
HISP 600	Intro. Seminar in Preservation		3
HISP 611	Historical Research Methods		3
HISP 619M	Professional Practice		2
HISP 630	Preservation and Planning Policy		3
HISP 635	Social and Ethnic Issues		3
HISP 640	Preservation Law		3
HISP 650	Studio		6
HISP 655	American Vernacular Architecture		4
HISP 660	Internship		0
HISP 670	Conservation of Historic Buildings		3
HISP 680	Preservation Economics		3
<b>Minimum Credit Hours in the MHP Degree</b>			<b>33</b>
<b>Minimum Credit Hours Required for ARHP Dual Degree</b>			<b>126</b>

All Architecture courses shown are approved as electives for the Historic Preservation degree and all Historic Preservation courses shown are approved as electives for the Architecture degree.