ARCHITECTURE

A student’s creativity and individuality are rewarded in the School of Architecture’s studio-based learning experience. Students benefit from the close student-to-teacher ratios and a true interdisciplinary learning environment.

About this Program

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**Semester 1**

- Complete DCP 1003 in Semester 1 or 2
- Complete ARC 1301 and ARC 1701
- 2.75 UF GPA required

**Semester 2**

- Complete DCP 1003, if not completed in Semester 1
- Complete ARC 1302 and ARC 1702
- 2.75 UF GPA required

**Semester 3**

- Complete ARC 2180, ARC 2201, ARC 2303
- Complete MAC 1147 or PHY 2053
- 2.75 UF GPA required

**Semester 4**

- Complete ARC 2304 and ARC 2461
- Complete MAC 1147 and PHY 2053
- Complete pin-up requirement
- 2.75 UF GPA required

**Semester 5**

- Complete ARC 3320, ARC 3503 and ARC 3743

1 Summer transfer students should complete DCP 1003 by Semester 4.

**Model Semester Plan**

Students are required to complete IDS 1161 in semester 1 or 2.

To remain on track, students must complete the appropriate critical-tracking courses, which appear in bold. These courses must be completed by the terms as listed above in the Critical Tracking criteria.

*This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student’s academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still apply.*

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Semester Three
ARC 2180 Introduction to Digital Architecture (Critical Tracking) 3
ARC 2201 Theory of Architecture 1 (Critical Tracking; Gen Ed Humanities) 3
ARC 2303 Architectural Design 3 (Critical Tracking) 3
MAC 1147 Precalculus Algebra and Trigonometry (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Mathematics) 4

Semester Four
ARC 2304 Architectural Design 4 (Critical Tracking) 5
ARC 2461 Materials and Methods of Construction 1 (Critical Tracking) 3
PHY 2053 Physics 1 (Critical Tracking; State Core Gen Ed Physical Sciences) 4

Semester Five
ARC 3320 Architectural Design 5 (Critical Tracking) 6
ARC 3503 Introduction to Architectural Structures (Critical Tracking) 3
ARC 3743 Architectural History 3 (Critical Tracking) 3
State Core Gen Ed Composition (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext); Writing Requirement 3

Semester Six
ARC 3181 Advanced Topics in Digital Architecture 2 or ARC 4310C or Building Information Modeling 3
ARC 3321 Architectural Design 6 6
ARC 3610 Environmental Technology 1 3
State Core Gen Ed Humanities (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-programs/general-education/#genedcoursestext) 3

Semester Seven
ARC 4220 Architectural Theory 2 3
ARC 4322 Architectural Design 7 6
ARC 4620 Environmental Technology 2 3
Elective 3 3

Semester Eight
Select one: 3
ARC 3181 Advanced Topics in Digital Architecture 2
ARC 4310C Building Information Modeling 2
Elective 3
ARC 3463 Materials and Methods of Construction 2 3
ARC 4323 Architectural Design 8 6
Elective 3 3

 Credits 15
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1 The School of Architecture requires students to complete MAC 1147 and PHY 2053 before semester 5. Due to the rigorous nature of design studio, students should complete these courses during the summer semesters. MAC 2233 is recommended before graduating because of the admissions requirements of some graduate programs.

2 The School of Architecture requires students to complete ARC 3181 or ARC 4310C before graduating, in semester 6 or 8. Students should try to complete both courses.

3 Any 3000-level or higher academic course, any 1000-level or higher foreign language where the student is not a native speaker and where the course is taken at an SUS institution, or any course sequence toward a minor.

This program is limited access. At the end of semester 4, students will be selected according to a competitive ranking of all applicants by overall GPA, architectural GPA and faculty evaluation of design quality in the annual pin-up exhibits.

Academic Learning Compact
The Bachelor of Design requires students to demonstrate and to understand the creative design process and associated skills as they relate to problem solving and spatial organization. Students will develop skills in spatial design, graphic communication, materials, technology and environmental issues. Programs analyze existing and projected examples of build form, define fundamental principles and knowledge of the discipline, develop students’ skills in the formation and projection of spatial experience and relate creativity to cultural and physical environment.

Before Graduating Students Must
• Follow and achieve national accreditation (NAAB) guidelines for terminal project and portfolio assessments.
• Receive acceptable review and assessment of studio work from faculty, industry professionals and peers.
• Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

Content
1. Implement a creative and synthetic design process to produce unique and appropriate architectural proposals.
2. Create presentations utilizing appropriate disciplinary vocabulary and graphic skills that support design methodologies.
3. Acquire, interpret and analyze information as the basis for design proposals.

Critical Thinking
4. Communicate about the discipline to a variety of audiences using a variety of formats and approaches.
5. Acquire skills in drawing, electronic imaging, materials and environmental issues.

Communication
6. Create conceptually clear and expressive design proposals based on appropriate prioritization of issues, thoughtful analysis of project parameters and critical reflection of schematic ideas.
7. Produce designs built upon the relationship between human behavior and perception in relation to the built environment.

Curriculum Map

Courses SLO 1 SLO 2 SLO 3 SLO 4 SLO 5 SLO 6 SLO 7
ARC 3181 I R R
ARC 332/R A R A R A R A R A R A
ARC 332 R A I R A R A R A R A R A
ARC 346: R R R

I = Introduced; R = Reinforced; A = Assessed
### Assessment Types

- Projects
- Design studio juries
- Semester studio curriculum reviews