



Bachelor of Fine Arts

Major: Architecture

2021-2022 Sample 4-Year Plan

Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student _____ Student ID# _____ Student Phone # _____

Advisor _____ Minimum GPA 2.50 Minor/Career Interest(s) _____

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

First Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 101	Drawing Architecture		3	F	
ARCH 241	Construction History (SGR #4)		3	F	
DSGN 121	Design I (SGR #4)		3	F/S	
AHSS 111	Introduction to Global Citizenship and Diversity		3	F/S	
SGR #6	Natural Sciences		3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 250	Design Practice	repeat twice for credit	5	F/S	
DSGN 110	Creative Cognition		3	S	
ENGL 101	Composition I (SGR #1)	p. Placement	3	F/S	
MATH 120	Trigonometry (SGR #5)	p. MATH 114 or placement	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			17		

Second Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 250	Design Practice	repeat twice for credit	5	F/S	
SoD Elective	Cross Disciplinary Experience	See School of Design Advisor for list	3	F/S	
ENGL 201 or ENGL 283	Composition II (SGR #1) or Creative Writing	p. ENGL 101	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Sciences/Diversity	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines	3	F/S	
CMST 101	Fundamentals of Speech (SGR #2)		3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			17		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 255	Building Studio	p. ARCH 250	5	S	
ARCH 255L	Building Lab	p. ARCH 250	2	S	
ARCH 432	Technology of Surroundings		2	S	
CM 216-216L	Construction Methods and Materials and Lab	p. MATH 114 or MATH 120	4	F/S	
PHYS 111-111L	Introduction to Physics and Lab (SGR #6)		4	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			17		



Third Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 354	Research Studio	p. ARCH 250	5	F	
ARCH 354L	Research Lab	p. ARCH 250	2	F	
ARCH 442	History of Ideas		3	F	
General Elective		Taken as needed to reach 120 credits	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			13		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 355	Building Studio	p. ARCH 250	5	S	
ARCH 355L	Building Lab	p. ARCH 250	2	S	
ARCH 432	Technology of Structure	p. PHYS 111-111L	3	S	
SoD Elective	Cross Disciplinary Experience	See School of Design Advisor for list	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			13		

Fourth Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 402	Reading Architecture	p. ARCH 101	3	F	
ARCH 443	Urban History		3	F	
ARCH 454	Research Studio	p. ARCH 250	5	F	
ARCH 454L	Research Lab	p. ARCH 250	2	F	
Total Credit Hours			13		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ARCH 401	Writing Architecture	p. ARCH 402	2	S	
ARCH 434	Technology of Systems	p. PHYS 111-111L	3	S	
ARCH 455	Building Studio	p. ARCH 250	5	S	
ARCH 455L	Building Lab	p. ARCH 250	2	S	
DSGN 452	Design Capstone	Capstone	2	S	
Total Credit Hours			15		

Comments/Notes

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the [Honors program requirements](#).

Architecture students must maintain a major GPA of at least 2.6; overall GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the duration of the program. A grade of “C” or better is required in all courses with ARCH, ART, ARTE, ARTH, DSGN, GDES, ID and LA prefixes.

As part of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, students in this program must complete/earn:

- a minimum of 33 upper division credits (300-400 level courses)
- a capstone course in the major
- a designated diversity, equity, and inclusion course – AHSS 111 (or AIS 211 for teaching specialization students only)

Students with any modern language experience are strongly encouraged to complete the free modern language placement test at <https://www.sdstate.edu/modern-languages-global-studies/mfl-placement-information>