



Bachelor of Landscape Architecture in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Major: Landscape Architecture

2023-2024 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
LA 101	Ecology and the Built Environment		3	F	
LA 231	Digital Drafting and Mapping		2	F	
DSGN 121	Design I 2D (SGR #4)		3	F/S	
SGR #1	Written Communication	p. Placement	3	F/S	
BIOL 101-101L	Biology Survey and Lab (SGR #6)		3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			14		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 132	Seeing and Drawing the Land		3	S	
DSGN 110	Creative Thinking		3	S	
GDES 101	Computer Graphics		3	F/S	
MATH 114	College Algebra (SGR #5)	p. Placement	3	F/S	
SGR #2	Oral Communication		3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			15		

Second Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 242	People and the Environment		3	F	
ARCH 253	Site Analysis & Surrounding		3	F	
HO 255-255L	Woody Plants and Lab	p. HO 111 or BIOL 101	4	F	
General Elective			3	F/S	
GEOG 372-372L	Introduction to GIS & Lab		3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 252	Site Planning	p. LA 253	4	S	
LA 331	Landscape Architecture Site Engineering	p. LA 252	3	S	
ARCH 230-230L	Design Material and Assembly & Lab		3	F/S	
SOD Elective	Cross Disciplinary Experience	See catalog for elective list	3	F/S	
SGR #1	Written Communication	p. ENGL 101	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			16		

Summer

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 389 or LA 494 or LA 498	Travel Studies or Internship or Undergraduate Research/Scholarship	LA 389: p. LA 242 or consent	3	SU SU F/S/SU	
Total Credit Hours			3		



Third Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 341	Public and Social Place Design	p. LA 252	3	F	
LA 352	Planting and Ecological Design	p. LA 252	4	F	
SOD Elective	Cross Disciplinary Experience	See catalog for elective list	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Sciences	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines	3	F/S	
SGR #6	Natural Science		3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 332	Landscape Architecture Construction Detailing	p. LA 252	3	S	
LA 342	City Planning	p. LA 252	3	S	
LA 351	Community and Housing Design	p. LA 252	4	S	
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities	Choose non-ART, ARTH or DSGN course	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Sciences	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			16		

Fourth Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 431	Landscape Architecture Construction Processes	p. LA 332	3	F	
LA 442	Professional Development	p. LA 342	2	F	
LA 451	Urban Design Studio	p. LA 352	4	F	
Technical Elective		See School of Design Advisor for list	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			12		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
LA 441	Recreation Design	p. LA 342	3	S	
LA 452	Capstone Studio	p. LA 451, Capstone	4	S	
DSGN 452	Design Capstone		2	S	
Technical Elective		See School of Design Advisor for list	3	F/S	
Total Credit Hours			12		

Comments/Notes

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

Landscape 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

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