

Architecture Concurrent Degree Programmes (CDPs) –2012/13 - 2016/17 Cohorts

The B.A.(Arch) is a four-year honours degree programme that comprises a general programme accompanied by four tracks for specialisation. The specialisation tracks are in Design, Design Technology & Sustainability (DTS), Landscape Architecture (LA) and Urban Planning (UP). The curriculum content for the first three years is common to the general as well as the specialisation tracks.

The general programme terminates at the B.A.(Arch) degree whereas the specialisation courses are concurrent with the Master of Architecture (M.Arch), Master of Landscape Architecture (M.LA) or Master of Urban Planning (M.UP) degree programme. Only students who have achieved creditable grades in design, i.e. at least a B- in design at the third year will be permitted to opt for a specialisation.

Specialisations

Students who have achieved creditable grades in design, i.e. at least a B- in design at the third year will be permitted to opt for specialisation. The two specialisation tracks in Design and Design Technology & Sustainability (DTS) will lead to the M.Arch degree programme.

The Design specialisation track offers students the opportunity to focus on design ideas, innovation and conceptualisation from a theoretical framework. The DTS specialisation track is driven by the need to adopt evidence based research and simulative design processes in pursuing sustainability in architecture. Students who completed the Design specialisation with minimum B+ average in the Year 4 design modules can be considered for admission to the urban design specialisation in the M.Arch programme.

The Landscape Architecture specialisation track enables students to migrate to the Master in Landscape Architecture (M.LA) programme. Specialisation modules will be offered at the third and fourth year. Students have to achieve creditable design grade of at least B- in third year in order to continue with the LA specialisation in the fourth year of study.

Students who obtained at least B average in design at third year level are eligible to be considered for admission to the Urban Planning specialisation, equivalent to Master of Urban Planning (M.UP) Year 1. Students can continue to M.UP Year 2 if they can maintain a minimum CAP of 3.0 (of M.UP modules only).

Admission Criteria

Please refer to Table 1 for admission criteria of the specialisation tracks in the B.A (Arch) programme and the corresponding Master's degree programmes under the CDP structure.

Table 1: Summary of the Architecture Concurrent Degree Programmes

| Level 5 (Masters) | Master of Architecture | | | Master of Urban Planning | Master of Landscape Architecture | Master of Arts (Architecture) or Other NUS Graduate Courses |
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| | | with specialization in Urban Design | with specialization in Design Technology & Sustainability | | | |
| Graduation Requirement for Master's Programme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- for AR5103 • Min 3.0 CAP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min C for UD5601 and UD5602 with at least 'B' - in either UD5601 or UD5602 • Min 3.0 CAP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- for AR5104 • Min 3.0 CAP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min CAP of 3.0 for all MUP modules • Min 3.0 CAP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- for LA5701 and LA5702 • Min 3.0 CAP | |
| Admission Criteria to Master's Programme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- average for AR4101 & AR4102 • Min 2.5 CAP • Portfolio Review and Interview for Discretionary Admission | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B+ average for AR4101 and AR4102 • Min CAP of 2.5 • Portfolio Review and Interview for all students who wish to read UD specialisation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- average for AR4103 & AR4104 • Min 2.5 CAP • Portfolio Review and Interview for Discretionary Admission | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min CAP of 3.0 for MUP modules | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- average for LA4701 & LA4702 • Min 2.5 CAP • Portfolio Review and Interview for Discretionary Admission | Subjected to admission criteria of M.A. (Architecture) or other NUS Graduate programmes |
| Level 4 B.A (Arch)/ B.A (Arch) Hons | Specialization in Design | | Specialization in Design Technology & Sustainability | Specialization in Urban Planning | Specialization in Landscape Architecture | General Programme |
| Eligibility Criteria | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- average for AR3101/AR3101a & AR3102/AR3102a • Min B- for AR3102/AR3102a • Portfolio Review and Interview for Discretionary Admission | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B average for AR3101/a and AR3102/a • Portfolio Review and Interview for Discretionary Admission | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min B- for either AR3101a/AR3102a • (Portfolio Review and Interview for Discretionary Admission) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Min C grade for AR3101/AR3101a & AR3102/AR3102a |
| Level 1- 3 | Common programme | | | | | |

BA (Arch) Curriculum

Students may refer to the BA (Arch) Curriculum applicable to their cohort at <http://www.arch.nus.edu.sg/programme/architecture/ba-arch.html>

Graduate Programme Curriculum

Master of Architecture: <http://www.arch.nus.edu.sg/programme/architecture/m-arch.html>

Master of Landscape Architecture: <http://www.arch.nus.edu.sg/programme/landscape-architecture/programme.html>

Master of Urban Planning: <http://www.sde.nus.edu.sg/mup/>

Exit at the end of the four-year B.A. (Arch.) Programme

Students are required to take all essential modules offered in the semester to which they have progressed, provided they have passed the relevant prerequisites. In addition, they may take modules to satisfy University and other requirements.

Minimum Graduating criteria for

B.A. (Arch) : Minimum Grade C for Design and CAP 2.0

B.A. (Arch) Hons. : Minimum Grade C for Design and CAP 3.0

Students who exit the concurrent degree programme at B.A. (Arch) Level 4 and consequently seek admission to M.Arch./M.LA/MUP would be required to fulfil a minimum CAP of 3.5 and other criteria governing admission as determined at the point of application.

Graduation Requirements of the Master's Programmes

The graduation requirements of the respective Master's programmes are detailed in Table 1 above.

Students will receive both B.A. (Arch) Hons./B.A. (Arch) (depending on his/her CAP) and M.Arch./ M.LA/ MUP degrees concurrently upon completing the Masters programme. The specialisation of the course of study (if any) would be reflected in the transcript.