

### **M.Arch Preparatory Course**

for admission to **M.Arch (Architectural Design Track) or Urban Design Specialisation**  
(With Effect from AY2017/18 Cohort)

Candidates who possess (i) RIBA Part 1 degree or (ii) architecture degree or qualification accredited by a National Accreditation Board or the Board of Architects of the country of origin, equivalent to the first 3 years of NUS BA (Arch) programme would be required to complete a preparatory course similar to 4<sup>th</sup> year of BA (Arch) programme prior to admission to **M.Arch**.

The preparatory course depending on the candidate's academic performance and portfolio review) is also usually mandatory for non-NUS degree holders and NUS graduates of the three-year Bachelor's programme in Architecture.

Students under this category would not be entitled to the Bachelor of Arts in Architecture degree. The Master of Architecture [M.Arch] degree would be conferred upon the completion of the preparatory course and M.Arch programme.

Candidates who are admitted without RIBA Part 1 will not be awarded RIBA Part 2 upon completion of M.Arch. They will however be eligible to sit for the Professional Practice Examination conducted by Board of Architects (Singapore) after two years of professional experience for registration as professional architects in Singapore.

### **Requirements of the M.Arch Preparatory course**

Students need to fulfill the following requirements before they are allowed to proceed to M.Arch programme

- 1) Fulfill 40 MCs which includes:
  - a) 5 Core Modules (28 MCs)
  - b) 3 Level 3000 or higher electives (as advised by the Department) (12 MCs)
- 2) Complete the additional modules (if any) as stipulated by the Department of Architecture.\*
- 3) Attain a minimum cap of 2.5 in the final semester of the preparatory year.
- 4) Attain a minimum C grade in AR4101 (Design 7) and AR4102 (Design 8)
- 5) Attain a minimum B- grade average in AR4101 (Design 7) and AR4102 (Design 8)

Students are **not allowed** to carry over the above prescribed requirements to the M.Arch programme. Results attained for this 1 year of study would be independent from M.Arch programme.

Subjected to portfolio review, students who attained a minimum B+ average for AR4101 (Design 7) and AR4102 (Design 8) would be given the option to read *M.Arch (Specialisation in Urban Design)* upon completion of the preparatory course. For more information on the Urban Design specialisation, please refer to [www.arch.nus.edu.sg](http://www.arch.nus.edu.sg).

### **Graduation Requirements of the 1-year M.Arch programme**

Students would need to complete a dissertation and 3 essential modules during the M.Arch year. To graduate, students have to fulfill the degree requirements of:

- Minimum cap of 3.0 in the M.Arch year
- Minimum grade of B- for AR5103 (Architectural Design Thesis)

\*Candidates may be required to read modules in addition to those indicated above. In such cases, the Department would advise the candidates accordingly at the point of offer for admission.

## M.Arch Prep (Design Track) Curriculum

### Syllabus

Modules		MCs	Semester
AR4101	Design 7	8	1
AR5321	Advanced Architectural Technology	4	1
AR4221	Urban Design Theory and Praxis	4	1
AR4102	Design 8	8	2
AR5221	Contemporary Theories	4	2
Electives (Level 3000 & above) as advised by the Department		12	1 & 2
Total MCs		40	

### Modules Information

Please refer to <http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/nusbuletin/modulesearch.html>

**Application:** Please refer to [http://www.sde.nus.edu.sg/acad/SDE\\_Grad\\_ByCoursework.html](http://www.sde.nus.edu.sg/acad/SDE_Grad_ByCoursework.html) for more information

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