

Master of Architecture/ MA in Design Criticism Joint Program

Admission Requirements

Applicants are considered on an individual basis. Transcripts of all undergraduate and any graduate work must be submitted. In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, applicants must meet the program requirements as listed below. See [the School of Architecture website](#) for the most up-to-date application requirements.

- To be considered for direct admission to the joint program, students must apply to each of the individual degree programs separately, noting that they are applying to the joint program in each application. To be admitted to the joint program, a student must meet the admission requirements for each individual degree program.
- Students who enter the three-year MArch program and later decide to transfer into the joint program may be considered for admission before their second year of study if they meet the admission requirements of the MAD-Crit program. Joint degree applicants who are already enrolled in one program will be evaluated by members of the School of Architecture admission committee.
- Students in the joint program will be advised by the School of Architecture Graduate Academic Advisor, who will ensure each student understands and fulfills the program and course sequence requirements. The advisor will also provide guidance regarding elective selections.
- Students who choose to leave the program before completing the requirements for the joint degree may receive either the MArch or the MAD-Crit degree if the requirements for one of the individual degrees have been met.
- The application deadline for this program is earlier than the Graduate College deadline; for information about current deadlines, please see [the School of Architecture website](#).

Degree Requirements

The requirements for the degree vary according to the student's previous studies and level of preparation. The Graduate Admissions Committee of the school will specify, at the time of admission, the program to which each student has been accepted. In addition to the Graduate College minimum requirements, students must meet the following program requirements:

- **Minimum Semester Hours Required** 100–128 depending on the student's prior education and placement in the MArch degree.

Code	Title	Hours
MArch Core Courses (44–72 hours)		
ARCH 561	Architectural Technology I	
ARCH 562	Architectural Technology II	
ARCH 563	Architectural Technology III	
ARCH 564	Architectural Technology IV	
ARCH 551	Architectural Design I	
ARCH 552	Architectural Design II	
ARCH 553	Architectural Design III	

ARCH 554	Architectural Design IV	
ARCH 555	Design Development	
ARCH 565	Topic Studio	
ARCH 567	Research Studio	
ARCH 573	Architectural Structures I	
ARCH 574	Architectural Structures II	
ARCH 522	Topics in Architectural Technology	
ARCH 544	Professional Practices	

Code	Title	Hours
MAD-Crit Core Courses (24–32 hours)		
ARCH 587	Pro-seminar I: Design Criticism	
ARCH 588	Pro-seminar II: Publication and Graphic Argumentation	
ARCH 589	Writing Tutorial I	
ARCH 590	Writing Tutorial II	
ARCH 520	Topics in Architectural Theory and History	
400- or 500-level approved elective		

Code	Title	Hours
Shared Requirements for MArch and MAD-Crit (24–32 hours)		
ARCH 531	Architectural Theory and History I	
ARCH 532	Architectural Theory and History II	
ARCH 585	Architectural Theory and History III	
ARCH 586	Architectural Theory and History IV	
ARCH 566	Research Seminar	
ARCH 520	Topics in Architectural Theory and History	
400- or 500-level approved elective in Art History		
400- or 500-level approved elective		

Portfolio Submission

An annual portfolio review occurs during the spring semester of each academic year. The submission of a satisfactory portfolio in each year is a degree requirement.

MArch with Advanced Standing Students

From the above curriculum, students granted full advanced standing in the MArch degree will be waived from the following course work: ARCH 531, ARCH 551, ARCH 552, ARCH 561, ARCH 562, and ARCH 573. Exact advanced standing placement will be determined by the school at the time of admission.

- **Comprehensive Examination:** None
- **Thesis, Project, or Course Work-Only Options:** Course work only