



Landscape Architecture

College of
Agriculture

The profession of landscape architecture has grown out of the tradition of the great garden designers of Italy, France, England, and China to encompass the art and science of design, planning, and management of the land. The *science* of landscape architecture is concerned with the conservation and management of natural resources. The *art* of landscape architecture is concerned with the creation of more enjoyable, comfortable, and safe outdoor areas where human use requires adaptation of the natural environment.

This five-year professional program is accredited by the American Society of Landscape Architects and meets all the requirements for licensing of landscape architects in Kentucky and other states. Landscape architecture employment opportunities may be found in the designing of urban communities, plazas, university campuses, institutional grounds, parks and recreational areas, commercial and industrial sites, and residential communities, as well as in the areas of historic preservation, regional planning, and mine reclamation.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the University of Kentucky and to the College of Agriculture does not guarantee admission to the Landscape Architecture program. All applicants must be reviewed by the Landscape Architecture Program Chairperson. The number of applicants ultimately admitted is determined by the resources available to provide high quality instruction. Applicants will be reviewed on a comparative basis. Determination of acceptability into the program is based on the following.

Entering freshmen and transfer students from degree programs other than Landscape Architecture must:

1. submit a formal application to the Undergraduate Admissions Office indicating Landscape Architecture as your major;
2. meet the minimum criteria for admission or readmission to the University as specified in the UK *Bulletin* (The Landscape Architecture program requires a minimum of a 2.0 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale for eligibility to transfer into the program.); and
3. successfully complete the aptitude testing designated by the Landscape Architecture program.

If a student transferring from another degree program has a background in related design fields, he or she may submit available work, such as a portfolio or other work examples, as an indication of potential success.

Transfer students from degree programs in Landscape Architecture at other accredited institutions must:

1. submit a formal application to the Undergraduate Admissions Office indicating Landscape Architecture as your major;
2. meet the minimum criteria for admission to the University as specified in the UK *Bulletin* (The Landscape Architecture program requires a minimum of a 2.0 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale for eligibility to transfer into the program.); and
3. submit a portfolio for review which, combined with an evaluation of courses completed, will determine acceptance into the program as well as the level to which the student will be accepted.

Graduation Requirements

To earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Landscape Architecture, the student must have 145 credit hours with at least a 2.0 grade-point standing. Remedial courses may not be counted toward the total hours required for the B.S. in Landscape Architecture. The program is fully accredited by the Board of Landscape Architectural Accreditation (American Society of Landscape Architects) and meets the registration requirements of the Kentucky State Board of Examiners and Registration of Landscape Architects.

The Landscape Architecture program policy requires a student to achieve a **C** grade or better in major design studios in order to advance to the next level.

In addition to satisfying the University Studies requirements, each student must complete the following:

Specific University Studies Requirements

Disciplinary – Social Sciences

Any economics course from the University Studies list,
plus one additional course from the University Studies list 6

Cross-Disciplinary (recommended)

PLS 104 Plants, Soils, and People: A Global Perspective 3
PLS 210 The Life Processes of Plants 3

Premajor/Preprofessional Course Requirements

AEN 103 Basic Principles of Surveying 2
ARC 828 Computers and Architecture 3
GLY 101 Physical Geology **and**
GLY 111 Laboratory for Physical Geology 4
OR
GLY 220 Principles of Physical Geology 4
GLY 110 Endangered Planet: An Introduction to
Environmental Geology 3

Major/Professional Course Requirements

LA 205 History of Landscape Architecture 3
LA 206 Contemporary Landscape Architecture 3
LA 821 Landscape Architecture Design Studio I 6
LA 822 Landscape Architecture Design Studio II 6
LA 833 Landscape Architecture Design Studio III 6
LA 834 Landscape Architecture Design Studio IV 6
LA 841 Landscape Architecture Design Studio V 6
LA 842 Landscape Architecture Design Studio VI 6
LA 871 Design Implementation I 4
LA 872 Design Implementation II 4
LA 973 Advanced Design Implementation 6
LA 975 Advanced Landscape Architecture Studio 6

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Select **four** courses from the following 800 level and **two** courses from the following 900 level:

LA 850 Landscape Architecture Graphics	3
LA 851 Design With Plants	3
LA 853 History and Theory of Urban Form	3
LA 854 Historic Landscape Preservation	3
LA 855 Geographic Information Systems and Landscape Analysis	3
LA 857 Design Theories in Landscape Architecture	3
LA 858 Regional Land Use Planning Systems	3
LA 895 Independent Work in Landscape Architecture	1-6
LA 952 Advanced Landscape Architectural Graphic Communication	3
LA 956 Advanced Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Landscape Analysis	3
LA 959 Advanced Regional Land Use Planning Applications	3
LA 971 Senior Project	3

Specialty Support Requirements

ARC 850 Professional Practice	3
PLS 220 Introduction to Plant Identification	3
PLS 320 Woody Horticultural Plants	4
BIO 325 Introductory Ecology or FOR 340 Forest Ecology	3-4
PLS 366 Fundamentals of Soil Science or FOR 205 Forest and Wildland Soils and Landscapes	3-4
Select one additional 400-500 level course from an area of study related to landscape architecture, such as GEO, HIS, SOC, PSY, PS, etc., with the approval of the student's advisor	3
Free Elective	3