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BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS - 231 MINIMUM CREDITS

68 credits general education courses (see below)
64 credits architectural design studio courses
80 credits subject area (non-studio) courses
+ at least 19 credits of additional general elective courses in any subject (to meet the degree's 231-credit minimum)

GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the student's responsibility to review their degree guide for accuracy and track their progress toward meeting all degree requirements.
The curriculum charts in this handbook outline the general education, group (SCI, SSC, and A&L), and professional course requirements. These charts are examples and should not be viewed as definitive guides.
The general group requirements are monitored by the Office of the Registrar. Each student can access a progress report, called a degree audit, on DuckWeb.
The general requirements are intended to ensure each student receives an education rich in the liberal arts tradition. Undergraduate students should complete most of the general education requirements prior to entry into their first ARCH/IARC 484 studio.

REQUIRED GRADED CREDITS

The University of Oregon requires that all undergraduate students complete a minimum of 168 credits taken with a letter-grade option or as P* (P* = courses offered only Pass/No Pass). The University of Oregon requires a minimum 45 credits taken for a letter grade, which must be completed in residence.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate students are typically in residence for five years. A Bachelor of Architecture student may enter the program with transfer credits from another accredited undergraduate degree program. Transfer students must complete the minimum residence requirements.

CORE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

English Composition - 8 credits
Two courses in English composition. Most students take WR 121 and WR 122 or 123. You may also take a waiver exam or challenge these courses. If you received advanced placement credits, they are generally listed on the admission statement.

Areas of Inquiry Requirements - 36 credits
Architecture students must complete a minimum of 12 credits in each of the three groups:

- Arts & Letters (A&L and >1) Note: 8 credits of Arts & Letters will be fulfilled by ARH 314 & 315, required for the Architecture major (see page 3)
- Social Sciences (SSC and >2)
- Sciences (SC and >3) Note: 8 credits will be fulfilled by PHYS 201 & 202, required for the Bachelor of Architecture (see right column)

Rule A - Two groups must include at least two courses in one subject.
Rule B - Each group must include courses in at least two subjects.
Rule C - No more than three courses with the same subject code may be used to fulfill the total 36-credit requirement.

Certain areas of inquiry-satisfying courses will also fulfill core ed requirements.

All students must complete at least one course in each of the following areas:

- *US: Difference, Inequality, Agency (>US)*
- *Global Perspectives (>GP)*

Note: ARH 314 & 315, required for Architecture majors, will fulfill one of the core ed course requirements (in the >GP area). Because of this, students pursuing a Bachelor of Architecture only need to complete one other core ed course, in the >US area.

Upper Division General Elective Requirements - 16 credits
Non-ARCH/IARC upper-division courses (numbered 300+) taken in residence. Can include courses that also satisfy group and multicultural requirements, as well as any upper-division ARH courses taken beyond the ARH requirement. Weekend seminars, ART courses, and service, performance, & studio courses are not accepted. Many upper-division courses have prerequisites.

General Physics Requirements - 2 courses
Bachelor of Architecture students are required to complete PHYS 201 & 202, and are encouraged to do so prior to entering their third year (in order to take ARCH 461). Both physics courses satisfy credits in the Sciences group (see left column), and have a prerequisite of MATH 112/equivalent math placement test score.

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BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE - SAMPLE PLAN

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS - 231 MINIMUM CREDITS

Note: Total credit hours may vary by student.

FIRST YEAR

FALL

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 201	Intro to Architecture	4
ARH 314	History of World Architecture I >1 >GP	4
PHYS 201	Physics I >3	4
WR 121	College Composition I	4
Total Credit Hours		16

WINTER

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 283	**Architectural Design I**	**6**
ARCH 202	Design Skills	3
PHYS 202	Physics II >3	4
WR 122/123	College Composition II or III	4
Total Credit Hours		17

SPRING

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 284	**Architectural Design II**	**6**
ARCH 222	Intro to Arch. Computing	4
SSC >2	Social Science Course	4
Total Credit Hours		14

SECOND YEAR

FALL

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 383	**Architectural Design III**	**6**
ARCH 450	Spatial Composition	4
ARCH 470	Building Construction	4
Total Credit Hours		14

WINTER

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 440	Human Context of Design	4
ARCH 491	Environmental Control Systems I	4
ARH 315	History of World Architecture II >1	4
SC >3	Science Course (not in PHYS)	4
Total Credit Hours		16

SPRING

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 384	**Architectural Design IV**	**6**
ARCH 430	Arch. Contexts: Place and Culture	4
ARCH 492	Environmental Control Systems II	4
Total Credit Hours		14

THIRD YEAR

FALL

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 484	**Architectural Design**	**6**
ARCH 461	Structural Behavior	4
ARCH ___	Subject Area Elective (ARCH/IARC)	3
SSC >2	Social Science Course	4
Total Credit Hours		17

WINTER

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 462	Wood & Steel Building Systems	4
ARH ___	Approved Architectural History Course	4
SSC >2	Social Science Course	4
300+	Upper Division General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		16

SPRING

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 484	**Architectural Design**	**6**
ARCH 423	Media for Design Development	3
A&L >1	Arts & Letters Elective (not in ARH)	4
300+	Upper Division General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		17

FOURTH YEAR

FALL

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 484	**Architectural Design**	**6**
ARCH ___	Subject Area Elective (ARCH/IARC)	4
ARH ___	Approved Architectural History Course	4
Total Credit Hours		14

WINTER

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 484	**Architectural Design**	**6**
ARCH 417	Context of the Arch. Profession	4
300+	Upper Division General Elective	4
Any	General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		18

SPRING

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH ___	Advanced Building Technology Course	4
>US	Multicultural Requirement	4
300+	Upper Division General Elective	4
Any	General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		16

FIFTH YEAR

FALL

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 471	Building Enclosure	4
ARCH 407	Prep Course for Advanced Studios*	2
Any	General Elective	4
Any	General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		14

WINTER

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 485	**Advanced Architectural Design I**	**8**
Any	General Elective	4
Any	General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		16

SPRING

COURSE	COURSE NAME	CR.
ARCH 485	**Advanced Architectural Design II**	**8**
Any	General Elective	4
Total Credit Hours		12

* Most Advanced Architectural Design Studios have a connected prep course (typically between 1-4 credits) that students take the Fall term prior to their ARCH 485 & 486 studios.

-To see a complete list of ARCH course descriptions & pre-requisites, visit: archenvironment.uoregon.edu/architecture/courses
-For ARCH & IARC courses/studio offerings by term, see: blogs.uoregon.edu/archenvironment/architecture-and-interior-architecture/course-syllabi/

Key: **BOLD: Design Studios** Black: Must be taken in the term listed Gray: Flexible

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REQUIRED COURSES & DESIGN STUDIOS

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN (STUDIO) REQUIREMENTS - 64 CREDITS:

- **Four Introductory Studios (6 credits each) -** ARCH 283, 284, 383, and 384
- **Four Intermediate Studios (6 credits each) -** ARCH 484 (four repetitions)
  (One repetition of ARCH 484 can be substituted by IARC 484, IARC 486, IARC 487, or LA 489)
- **Two Advanced Studios (8 credits each) -** ARCH 485 and 486
  (A 1-4 credit prep course for advanced studios is typically taken the term prior to ARCH 485)

TOTAL SUBJECT AREA (NON - STUDIO) COURSE REQUIREMENTS - 80 CREDITS:

FUNDAMENTALS

ARCH 201	Introduction to Architecture	4 credits

DESIGN MEDIA

ARCH 202	Design Skills	3 credits
ARCH 222	Introduction to Architectural Computer Media	4 credits
ARCH 423	Media for Design Development	3 credits

DESIGN ARTS

ARCH 430	Architectural Contexts: Place & Culture	4 credits
ARCH 440	Human Context of Design	4 credits
ARCH 450	Spatial Composition	4 credits

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

ARCH 461	Structural Behavior (prerequisites: PHYS 201 & 202)	4 credits
ARCH 462	Wood, Steel, and Concrete Systems	4 credits
ARCH 470	Building Construction	4 credits
ARCH 471	Building Enclosure	4 credits
ARCH 491	Environmental Control Systems I	4 credits
ARCH 492	Environmental Control Systems II	4 credits

ADVANCED BUILDING TECHNOLOGY

ARCH ___	Approved Advanced Building Technology Course [1]	4 credits

PROFESSIONAL CONTEXT

ARCH 417	Context of the Architectural Profession	4 credits

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (for students admitted Fall 2018 forward)

ARH 314	History of World Architecture I	4 credits
ARH 315	History of World Architecture II	4 credits
ARH ___	Approved Architectural History Course [1]	3-4 credits
ARH ___	Approved Architectural History Course [1]	3-4 credits

ADDITIONAL SUBJECT AREA ELECTIVES (TYPICALLY 6-8 CREDITS)

- ARCH, IARC, or approved LA courses[1] that are not listed above (including seminars, workshops, practicums, special problems, and more) as needed to meet the 80-total subject area credits

[1] Approved courses for Architectural History, Advanced Building Technology, and LA subject area electives can be found on the courseboard outside of LA 210 each term, or online at blogs.uoregon.edu/archenvironment/architecture-and-interior-architecture/course-syllabi/