

Master of Architecture

Experience. The Difference.



This intensive and rewarding program equips students with the creative and technical skills to work as graduate architects, and provides the qualifications required for registration as a professional architect.

About the program

The Master of Architecture comprises the final two years of the five year professionally accredited architecture education offered at UniSA.

During this degree, students will refine their technical and communication skills, and solve increasingly complex design problems through the application of skills developed in integrated courses.

The program has a core focus on Design Studio as a place of integration for other streams of learning. The Design Studio courses allow students to develop capabilities in areas such as sustainability, construction and documentation, urban design, contemporary design theory and digital exploration.

Student-directed learning is an important facet of the program, which offers extensive opportunities for specialisation according to individual preferences. Students can pursue specific areas through the major research components of the course and through advanced electives like remote construction, urban design, sustainable design, conservation, digital environments and architectural history and theory.

The program also offers an excellent Student Design and Construction program, which enables students to engage in real-life projects, such as designing and building pre-fabricated structures for remote communities.

Who is the program for?

UniSA's Master of Architecture is designed for students that have already completed a recognised undergraduate degree in architectural studies or equivalent and who are seeking to progress their architectural skills for professional recognition and accreditation as a registered architect.

Students should:

- have a sense of inquiry, rigour and curiosity
- be engaged with major social issues
- have a high level of creative confidence
- have excellent written, drawing and verbal communication skills
- have a passion for testing ideas through design

Through this program, students should develop a sound and thorough skill base of design proposition and investigation. Ideally, students will acquire the ability to provoke and to lead, becoming agents for progress within the architectural profession.

Further information

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Final Year Architecture Student

Prizes:

Lysaght Award for Outstanding Achievement

Royal Australian Institute of Architects Prize
Level 2 Construction

UniSA offers a very practical-based architectural program and its graduates have great employment results.

During the degree, I undertook work experience with an architectural practice, which taught me a lot. Study may equip you with the technical and design knowledge but practical experience is invaluable – allowing you to apply and test your knowledge in a real-life environment.

The architecture program is quite intensive and the requirements for design as well as research skills will definitely prepare me for the workplace. Studios are set up to provide similar environments to what you would find in an architectural practice. Additionally, working on team-based projects has provided me with organisational and leadership skills which would be highly valued in any profession.

What you'll cover

Program Details	
Program Code	DMAE
Home Campus	City West
Program Duration	2 Years (Full-time)
Course	
Architectural Design Studio 7 (Environment)	
Theories and History of Architecture	
Elective 1	
Architectural Design Studio 8 (Construction)	
Elective 2	
Elective 3	
Architectural Design Studio 9	
Masters Project Report 1	
Architectural Practice Professional	
Architectural Design Studio 10	
Masters Project Report 2	
Architectural Practice Management	

Industry relevance

UniSA's Louis Laybourne Smith School of Architecture and Design maintains strong links with the architectural industry, along with a very diverse research portfolio. The Master of Architecture is supported by a significant input from practice, in the form of sessional staff, intensive Masterclasses with distinguished national and international practitioners, the RAIA mentor scheme and guest lecturers. Additionally, teaching staff within the program are heavily involved in design consultancy and architectural practice.

Special features

The Master of Architecture offers students a unique learning environment, with a strong focus on relevant, contemporary Design Studio courses, and opportunities for participation in real-life design and construction projects. The program's emphasis on student-directed learning and hybrid forms of investigation in architectural representation and exploration makes it one of the most innovative and respected programs in the industry.

Your career

UniSA Architecture graduates are highly sought after locally, nationally and internationally. Most graduates work within the traditional field of architecture, employed by private architectural firms and commercial organisations, or running their own practices. Many architects develop careers in other areas such as urban design, heritage consultancy, graphic design, construction management, project management, interior fit-out, furniture design, multimedia design, and other related fields.

Professional recognition

The Master of Architecture program is accredited by the Architects Board of South Australia, endorsing the architecture qualifications of graduates required for registration as an architect.

Entry requirements

Students must have completed a three-year Bachelor of Architectural Studies degree or equivalent from a recognised higher education institution.

How to apply

For further information on the program and the application procedure contact the Louis Laybourne Smith School of Architecture and Design on + 61 (0) 8302 0366 and see the school's website: www.unisa.edu.au/arc