

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, BLA

for the degree of Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Department website (<https://landarch.illinois.edu/>)
 Department faculty (<https://landarch.illinois.edu/faculty/>)
 Overview of College Admissions & Requirements (<https://faa.illinois.edu/student-resources/future-students/applying-to-faa/>)
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The department's administrative office, upper-level studios, faculty offices, and classrooms are located in Temple Hoyne Buell Hall. The department also has a studio is located in Mumford Hall.

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Graduation Requirements

Minimum hours required for graduation: 124 hours.

University Requirements

Minimum of 40 hours of upper-division coursework, generally at the 300- or 400-level. These hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree.

Students should consult their academic advisor for additional guidance in fulfilling this requirement.

The university and residency requirements can be found in the Student Code (<https://studentcode.illinois.edu/article3/part8/3-801/>) (§ 3-801) and in the Academic Catalog (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/>).

General Education Requirements

Follows the campus General Education (Gen Ed) requirements (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/>). Some Gen Ed requirements may be met by courses required and/or electives in the unit.

Code	Title	Hours
	Composition I	4-6
	Advanced Composition	3
	fulfilled by LA 314	
	Humanities & the Arts (6 hours)	6
	fulfilled by LA 314 and any other course approved as Humanities & the Arts	
	Natural Sciences & Technology (6 hours)	6
	fulfilled by GGIS 103 or GEOL 100; and IB 103 or IB 105; and LA 250	
	Social & Behavioral Sciences (6 hours)	6
	Cultural Studies: Non-Western Cultures (1 course)	3
	Cultural Studies: US Minority Cultures (1 course)	3
	Cultural Studies: Western/Comparative Cultures (1 course)	3
	fulfilled by LA 314	
	Quantitative Reasoning (2 courses, at least one course must be Quantitative Reasoning I)	6-10

fulfilled by STAT 100 or MATH 115; and any other course approved as Quantitative Reasoning I or II

Language Requirement (Completion of the third semester or equivalent of a language other than English is required) 0-15

Landscape Architecture Curriculum

Code	Title	Hours
College Orientation		1
FAA 101	Arts at Illinois	
Math		3
STAT 100	Statistics	
or MATH 115	Preparation for Calculus	
Earth		3-4
GGIS 103	Earth's Physical Systems	
or GEOL 100	Planet Earth	
Biology		3-4
IB 103	Introduction to Plant Biology	
or IB 105	Environmental Biology	
Construction, Plant Materials & Design, History, & Design		29
Communications		
LA 101	Introduction to Landscape Arch	2
LA 241	Landform Design & Construction	3
LA 250	Environmental Site Analysis	3
LA 280	Design Communications I	3
LA 281	Design Communications II	3
LA 314	History of World Landscapes	4
LA 342	Site Engineering	4
LA 343	Landscape Construction	4
LA 452	Planting Design	3
Design Studio Courses		30
LA 233	Foundation Design Studio	5
LA 234	Site Design Studio	5
LA 335	Community & Open Space Studio	5
LA 336	Design Workshop Studio I	5
LA 437	Regional Design Studio	5
LA 438	Design Workshop Studio II	5
Professional Preparation		2
LA 346	Professional Practice	2
Urban & Regional Planning		3
UP 101	Introduction to City Planning	3
Horticulture		4
LA 352	Woody Landscape Plants	4
Focused Electives		18
Focused electives are required of all BLA students to graduate and must be approved by the BLA Advisor during an advising appointment.		
Summary of Credits for the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture in Landscape Architecture		
Code	Title	Hours
	General Education	
	Landscape Architecture Curriculum	78
	Focused Electives	18

Free Electives	
Total Credit Hours Required	124

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This sample sequence is intended to be used only as a guide for degree completion. All students should work individually with their academic advisors to decide the actual course selection and sequence that works best for them based on their academic preparation and goals. Enrichment programming such as study abroad, minors, internships, and so on may impact the structure of this four-year plan. Course availability is not guaranteed during the semester indicated in the sample sequence.

Students must fulfill their Language Other Than English requirement by successfully completing a third level of a language other than English. This may require up to three semesters of language depending on high school coursework or placement. See the corresponding section on the Degree and General Education Requirements page (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/>).

Curriculum in Landscape Architecture

First Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
FAA 101		1 LA 101	2
LA 199		1 LA 281	3
LA 280		3 Math 115 or STAT 100 (meets QR I)	3
IB 103 or 105		3 GEOL 100 or GGIS 103	3
Composition I or Language Other than English (3rd level)		4 Language Other than English (3rd level) or Composition I	4
General Education		3	
		15	15

Second Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
LA 233		5 LA 234	5
LA 241		3 LA 250	3
UP 101		3 Focused Elective	4
General Education		3 General Education	3
General Education		3 Free Elective	1
		17	16

Third Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
LA 335		5 LA 336	5
LA 342		4 LA 343	4
LA 346		2 LA 314	4
LA 352		4 Focused Elective	3
		15	16

Fourth Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
LA 437		5 LA 438	5
LA 452		3 General Education	3
Focused Elective		3 Focused Elective	4
General Education		3 Focused Elective	4
		14	16

Total Hours 124

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Bachelor of Landscape Architecture students will:

1. **Build Knowledge & Develop Reasoning Skills** in applying broad and deep knowledge across academic disciplines and fields and using this knowledge to develop design proposals.
2. Apply knowledge of the **Natural World** to guide design decisions and activities taking into account natural resource constraints that impact land use.
3. **Strengthen Social Awareness** to better understand the social and cultural influences on human behavior and the social, political, economic, and legal institutions which influence land-use and design decisions.
4. Employ **Creative Inquiry and Discovery** in addition to a range of analytical skills, and general knowledge to develop design proposals, solve problems, generate new ideas, and produce creative work.
5. Demonstrate **Responsible Leadership** in working with the land and the people for whom we design.

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College of Fine & Applied Arts

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Admissions

FAA College Admissions & Requirements (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/faa/>)

University of Illinois Undergrad Admissions (<https://www.admissions.illinois.edu/>)