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Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (B.L.A.)

Landscape Architecture is the art and science of designing and conserving land and water for human use and enjoyment. As a profession, Landscape Architecture is concerned with two scales of planning and design.

The first scale is with the development of specific sites for residential, recreational, institutional, commercial and industrial projects. The second scale pertains to the regional landscape where the issues include management plans for forest, park and recreation areas, agricultural lands protection, gravel pit mining and restoration, hazard land studies, and visual resource analysis.

Program Information

Objectives of the Program

Landscape Architecture is a diverse and rewarding design profession. Landscape architects play an important role in shaping our environment, working in collaboration with other design professionals, specialists and the public.

Students in the B.L.A. program attain professional knowledge and skill that prepares them to deal with problems that concern the interface between people and the environment. Program emphasis is on core professional knowledge domains that include landscape analysis, design, implementation, communication, history and professional practice. Additional required and elective courses in the arts and sciences provide a well-rounded education.

Graduates of the program have exciting careers in the public and private sector. As landscape architects, they design memorable places that are attractive, functional and sustainable and that affect the way our cities, suburbs, rural and wilderness areas are planned, designed and managed.

Accreditation

The Bachelor of Landscape Architecture program is accredited by the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) accreditation is recongized by the American Society of Landscape Architects. C.S.L.A. accreditation is recognized by the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA). Graduates of accredited landscape architecture programs have the educational qualifications to apply for membership in provincial and state professional associates in Canada and the United States after completion of the required number of years of professional practice and successful completion of required examinations.

Admission to the Landscape Architecture Program

Students wishing to enter the program of study leading to the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree should consult Section IV--Admission Information.

Degree

The degree granted for the successful completion of the program is the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (B.L.A.).

Selection of Electives

All electives may be chosen independently although counselling with the departmental advisor is highly, recommended. In selecting electives two approaches may be followed: 1) electives may be chosen from a variety of disciplines to achieve breadth of knowledge or, 2) all or most electives may be chosen in a subject area in order to pursue a particular field of interest in depth. Some of these fields might include agricultural and biological sciences, environmental studies, studio arts, geography, philosophy or sociology.

Students wishing to elect a permissible substitute shall do so in consultation with their departmental advisor. A substitute course will normally be in the same academic area as that listed in the Landscape Architecture Program.

The following elective courses in Landscape Architecture are available. Refer to course descriptions for scheduling information.

LARC*3500	[0.50]	Independent Study
LARC*4520	[0.50]	Park and Recreation Administration
LARC*4730	[0.50]	Special Study in Landscape Architecture
LARC*4740	[0.50]	Case Studies
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Academic Advising

Students can consult the BLA Coordinator who is a faculty member that can address program issues and individual curriculum queries.

Computers

Expertise in many aspects of computer application is now a fundamental skill for the profession. Recognizing this, the school provides computer facilities in the building. If it is feasible we recommend that students acquire their own computer within the first two years of the program.

Field Trips

Participation in organized visits to site study areas and project sites is obligatory for all students taking certain courses in landscape architecture. To the extent that it is possible, students will be informed of the dates, destinations and cost of field trips prior to registration. Students who have reason to seek exemption from the requirement may apply to the director prior to registration for permission to substitute papers on appropriate topics.

Pre-Professional Experience

It is considered highly advisable that the prospective graduate prepare for later professional practice through summer employment in the landscape industry. Two summers spent in landscape related work followed by 1 summer in a professional office is considered to be a desirable sequence of employment.

Continuation of Study

Students are advised to consult the regulations for continuation of study within the program which are outlined in detail in Section VIII--Undergraduate Degree Regulations & Procedures.

Conditions for Graduation

In order to qualify for graduation from the 8 semester Honours B.L.A. program, the student must successfully complete all of the courses approved for the program (20.00 credits).

Schedule of Studies

Major (Honours Program)

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Semester 1					
BIOL*1500	[0.50]	Humans in the Natural World			
ENGL*1200	[0.50]	Reading the Contemporary World			
LARC*1100	[0.75]	Design and Communications Studio			
LARC*1950	[0.50]	History of Cultural Form I			
One of:					
ANTH*1150	[0.50]	Introduction to Anthropology			
PHIL*1010	[0.50]	Introductory Philosophy: Social and Political Issues			
PSYC*1100	[0.50]	Principles of Behaviour			
SOC*1100	[0.50]	Sociology			
Semester 2					
LARC*2020	[0.75]	Design Studio			
LARC*2230	[0.50]	Planting Design			
LARC*2420	[0.50]	Materials and Techniques			
PHIL*2070	[0.50]	Philosophy of the Environment			
0.50 electives					
Semester 3					
LARC*2100	[0.50]	Landscape Analysis			
LARC*2240	[0.50]	Plants in the Landscape			
LARC*2410	[0.50]	Site Engineering			
LARC*3040	[0.75]	Site Planning and Design Studio			
0.50 electives					
Semester 4					
LARC*2820	[0.50]	Urban and Regional Planning			
LARC*3050	[0.75]	Landscape Architecture I			
LARC*3430	[0.50]	Landscape Construction I			
0.50 Social Science	e elective				
*Note: A "Social	Science" el	ective can be any course in the following areas:			
Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Women's Studies, International Development,					
Political Science, Psychology or Sociology.					
Semester 5					

LARC*3060[0.75]Landscape Architecture IILARC*3440[0.75]Landscape Construction IILARC*4610[0.50]Professional Practice

0.50 electives Semester 6

Choose one of the following three options:

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[1.00]	Internship in Landscape Architecture				
Exchange Program (2.00 credits)					
[1.00]	Landscape Architecture III				
[0.50]	Principles of Landscape Ecology				
[0.50]	Honours Thesis				
[0.50]	Seminar				
[1.00]	Integrative Design Studio				
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