2015-2016 Graduate Calendar

The information published in this Graduate Calendar outlines the rules, regulations, curricula, programs and fees for the 2015-2016 academic years, including the Summer Semester 2015, Fall Semester 2015 and the Winter Semester 2016.

For your convenience the Graduate Calendar is available in PDF format.

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Limitations

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The university encourages applications from women, aboriginal peoples, visible minorities, persons with disabilities, and members of other under-represented groups.

Introduction

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Address for University Communication

Depending on the nature and timing of the communication, the University may use one of these addresses to communicate with students. Students are, therefore, responsible for checking all of the following on a regular basis:

Email Address

The University issued email address is considered an official means of communication with the student and will be used for correspondence from the University. Students are responsible for monitoring their University-issued email account regularly.

Home Address

Students are responsible for maintaining a current mailing address with the University. Address changes can be made, in writing, through the Office of Graduate Studies.

Name Changes

The University of Guelph is committed to the integrity of its student records, therefore, each student is required to provide either on application for admission or on personal data forms required for registration, his/her complete, legal name. Any requests to change a name, by means of alteration, deletion, substitution or addition, must be accompanied by appropriate supporting documentation.

Student Confidentiality and Release of Student Information Policy Excerpt

The University undertakes to protect the privacy of each student and the confidentiality of his or her record. To this end the University shall refuse to disclose personal information to any person other than the individual to whom the information relates where disclosure would constitute an unjustified invasion of the personal privacy of that person or of any other individual. All members of the University community must respect the confidential nature of the student information which they acquire in the course of their work.

Complete policy at http://www.uoguelph.ca/policies.

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Landscape Architecture

The Landscape Architecture program offers courses of study leading to the Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) degree. The MLA program is designed for students with a previous degree in a field unrelated to landscape architecture; for students who hold other professional degrees in architecture, planning and engineering; and for students who have received a BLA degree and are interested in advanced education in a particular area of landscape architecture. The MLA program emphasizes research, analysis, planning, design and management of landscapes ranging in scale from individual sites to entire communities and regions. The MLA program is accredited by the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects. This accreditation is also recognized by the American Society of Landscape Architects.

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MLA Program

Admission Requirements

Admission to the MLA program is not restricted to holders of the BLA degree. Strongly motivated graduates of honours programs in a variety of disciplines may be admissible under the normal Faculty of Graduate Studies admission requirements. Well prepared applicants will have studied as broadly as possible in their undergraduate programs.

Application deadline and additional information on the MLA program at the University of Guelph can be obtained from our internet address at: http://www.uoguelph.ca/sedrd/

Degree Requirements

Students are encouraged to relate their major emphasis in the MLA to their undergraduate discipline through course work and thesis.

Required Core

For the holder of a BLA with several subsequent years of significant professional experience:

LARC*6380	[0.25]	Research Seminar
LARC*6600	[0.50]	Critical Inquiry & Research Analysis
LARC*6610	[0.50]	Research Methods
LARC*6710	[0.50]	Special Study
1 Elective		
Thesis		

For the holder of a BLA without such professional experience

LARC*6380	[0.25]	Research Seminar
LARC*6470	[0.50]	Integrative Environmental Planning
LARC*6600	[0.50]	Critical Inquiry & Research Analysis
LARC*6610	[0.50]	Research Methods
LARC*6710	[0.50]	Special Study
2 Electives		
Thesis		

For holders of degrees other than the BLA:

LARC*2240	0.50	Plants in the Landscape
LARC*6010	[0.50]	Landscape Architecture Studio I
LARC*6020	[0.50]	Landscape Architecture Studio II
LARC*6030	[0.50]	Landscape Architecture Studio III
LARC*6040	[0.50]	Landscape Architecture Studio IV
LARC*6120	[0.50]	Community Design
LARC*6340	[0.25]	Landscape History Seminar
LARC*6360	[0.25]	Professional Practice Seminar
LARC*6380	[0.25]	Research Seminar
LARC*6430	[0.50]	Landscape Resource Analysis
LARC*6470	[0.50]	Integrative Environmental Planning
LARC*6440	[0.50]	Environmental Design
LARC*6600	[0.50]	Critical Inquiry & Research Analysis
LARC*6610	[0.50]	Research Methods
LARC*6710	[0.50]	Special Study
Thesis		

Courses

Theory and Practice

LARC*6010 Landscape Architecture Studio I F [0.50]

Studio and field instruction introduces the student to landscape architecture through acquisition of basic professional skills and knowledge. Topics include design theory, landscape inventory and analysis, application of the design process to projects at the site scale, graphic and oral communication.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6020 Landscape Architecture Studio II F [0.50]

Studio and field instruction introduces the student to basic knowledge and skills of site engineering as it relates to landscape architecture. Topics include surveying, principles of site grading and drainage, introduction to materials and methods of construction, and graphic communication.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6030 Landscape Architecture Studio III W [0.50]

Studio and field instruction continues the student's development of professional knowledge and skills at the site scale. Topics include site planning principles, social factors in design, introduction to principles of planting design and architectural structures, facilitation and computer applications in design.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6040 Landscape Architecture Studio IV W [0.50]

Studio instruction emphasizes design implementation, materials and methods of construction, principles of stormwater management, construction specifications and graphic communication using computer applications.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6120 Community Design W [0.50]

Studio and field instruction emphasizes integration of ecological, social, cultural and historical factors in the comprehensive design of urban and special use landscapes at the neighbourhood and community scale.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6340 Landscape History Seminar F [0.25]

A lecture/seminar course focussed on the history of Landscape Architecture. Skills emphasize the development of oral and writing skills.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6360 Professional Practice Seminar F [0.25]

A lecture/seminar course focussed on the legal, business, ethical and professional practices of Landscape Architecture professionals. Skills emphasize the development of oral and writing skills.

Restriction(s): Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s): School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

Landscape Analysis and Planning

LARC*6430 Landscape Resource Analysis F [0.50]

Integrated field and classroom instruction introduces the student to inventory and analysis of biological, physical, social and cultural elements of the landscape. Projects will incorporate principles of landscape ecology and landscape planning. Field study will require some travel at student's expense.

Restriction(s):   Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6440 Environmental Design F [0.50]

This course integrates field and classroom study to apply landscape ecology to current landscape problems, including analysis of regional landscapes, restoration of degraded landscapes, and application of aesthetic and ecological principles across scales in site to regional settings. Case studies component will require some travel at students' expense.

Restriction(s):   Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6470 Integrative Environmental Planning W [0.50]

Landscape planning emphasizing the integration and interrelationships between biophysical and cultural resources, with application at a regional landscape planning scale. This course typically incorporates community-outreach projects.

Restriction(s):   Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

Research Techniques and Practice

EDRD*6000   [0.50]   Qualitative Analysis in Rural Development

LARC*6380 Research Seminar W [0.25]

A seminar course focussed on the process and communication of research, influenced by the current research of the participants. Participants organize a conference to present their research results.

Restriction(s):   Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6600 Critical Inquiry & Research Analysis W [0.50]

Students are introduced to critical inquiry as a method of evaluating information, design, and planning. The focus of the course is on the quantification and analysis of research data. Modelling and simulation are introduced and discussed in the context of planning, design, and research.

Restriction(s):   Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

LARC*6610 Research Methods F [0.50]

An introduction to a broad array of research methods as they apply to landscape planning and design, with a focus on the connections between research and design. Emphasis is on developing foundations for the creation of appropriate research questions.

Restriction(s):   Available only to students registered in the MLA program.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

RPD*6170   [0.50]   Rural Research Methods

Independent Study

LARC*6710 Special Study S,F,W [0.50]

Independent study. A proposal for the content and product required for this course must be developed in conjunction with the student's Advisory Committee.

Restriction(s):   Instructor consent required.
Department(s):   School of Environmental Design and Rural Development