

ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

School of Environmental Design and Rural Development

Capacity Development and Extension • Landscape Architecture • Rural Planning and Development

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for inquiring about our graduate program in Landscape Architecture. We are interested in highly motivated students who have a desire to work professionally to improve the quality of our urban and rural environments through design, planning and research. The Master of Landscape Architecture program (MLA) at the University of Guelph combines structured courses with opportunities to explore your own areas of interest through seminars, independent study and research. As a centre of landscape architecture education in North America, we offer a BLA program with over 275 students and the MLA program with 50 students. The fully accredited MLA program at the University of Guelph leads to a professional degree that meets the educational requirements for entry into professional associations of landscape architects across Canada, North America and abroad. Additional information can be obtained from the SEDRD website.

Acceptance to the MLA program is based on your previous academic performance, references and evidence of creative work (portfolio), and on background information that you provide through the Statement of Research and the Supplemental Document - MLA Background Questionnaire. We make offers of admission to approximately 15 to 18 students and maintain a short list of reserve candidates in case someone is unable to attend.

<u>Completed</u> applications must be submitted no later than **January 9**th in order for you to be considered for fall admission and scholarship opportunities. Late applicants will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Eligibility requirements for our graduate programs are that you hold an honours (four-year) undergraduate degree, or equivalent, from a recognized institution with a minimum of B- average (70%) over the last two years of full-time equivalent study. Students who meet our alternate admission standards may also be considered.

Foreign applicants should note the language score requirement information on the Graduate Studies Web site under International Students.

Scholarships are available to students with strong entrance marks, but it is vital that you are prepared to cover the full cost of the program.

Please contact me if any further information is required, and thank you for your interest in the MLA program at the University of Guelph.

Sincerely,

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