LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE MINOR

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Introduction

Landscape Architecture is significantly more than the design of outdoor spaces. It is at the forefront of the green building movement, environmental justice, and sustainability, and can advance social equity while celebrating cultural diversity. Our Minor in Landscape Architecture opportunity will allow undergraduates to engage in our field and explore options for graduate education beyond their ARCH undergraduate degree.

The Minor in Landscape Architecture will offer students a grounding in the fundamental skills and concepts of landscape architecture as a social and a technical practice. This minor will give students a specialized perspective whether pursuing a career in design or any other field that engages with people in the built environment.

The minor is a 12-credit hour program, which can be completed in conjunction with the BS ARCH Studies Track.

Program Delivery

- This is an on-campus program.

Declaring This Minor

- Click here (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/#policiestext) to go to information about declaring a minor.

Admissions

Application to the Minor in Landscape Architecture is open to all students enrolled in the BS ARCH program who are in good academic standing in the College of Architecture and Planning.

Schedule a meeting with your undergraduate BS Arch academic advisor (https://architectureandplanning.ucdenver.edu/architecture/academics/academic-advising/) for help with declaring the Minor in Landscape Architecture.

Required Materials

No specific materials are required – BS Arch students can take the classes required for the minor as electives; however, they need to declare for the minor with their academic advisor to have it transcripted.

Curriculum

The Minor in Landscape Architecture requires students to complete four classes in the Department of Landscape Architecture for a total of 12 hours. The following are all required core classes.

Code	Title	Hours
LDAR 3601	Intro to Landscape Arch: Engaging Designed Landscape	3
or LDAR 4421	History of Landscape Architecture	
LDAR 4430	Site, Society and Environment	3
LDAR 4432	Landform Manipulation	3
LDAR 4472	Ecology for Landscape Architects	3
Total Hours		**12**

GPA Requirements

Students must earn at least a C- grade in all required courses for the minor. Required courses must be repeated if the student earns less than a C- grade. A cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher is required in the courses for the minor.

Transfer courses (3000-level or above) are allowed on a case-by-case basis by Chair approval.

Application of Credits toward MLA Program

Students who complete the 12-hour Minor in Landscape Architecture are eligible to apply the credits toward the Master of Landscape Architecture (https://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/landscape-architecture/) (MLA) program (https://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/landscape-architecture/) (https://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/(https://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/landscape-architecture/)schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/landscape-(https://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/landscape-architecture/)architecture/ (https://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/graduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-architecture-planning/landscape-architecture/)). A grade of B- or higher is required for the courses to be considered for advanced standing.

Students who opt to take LDAR 5540 Introduction to GIS (or GEOG 4080 Introduction to GIS) and LDAR 6620 Landscape Architecture Theory and Criticism in addition to the 12-hour minor curriculum are eligible to obtain advanced standing credit for the entire first year of the MLA program.

Students must obtain a B- or higher in all 6 courses. This reduces the MLA program to a 2-year course of study, rather than 3 years.

Students applying for advanced standing are subject to a portfolio review and must submit an official application to the MLA program, regardless of their standing as a current student enrolled in the undergraduate Minor in Landscape Architecture.

Courses in the Landscape Architecture Minor are offered on a fall-only and spring-only basis.

Course	Title	Hours
Fall		
LDAR 3601 or LDAR 4421	Intro to Landscape Arch: Engaging Designed Landscape or History of Landscape Architecture	3
LDAR 4470	Plants in Design	3
	Hours	**6**
Spring		
LDAR 4430	Site, Society and Environment	3

LDAR 4432	Landform Manipulation	3
	Hours	**6**
	Total Hours	**12**