Master of Architecture Curriculum

BALL STATE UNIVERSITY
R. Wayne Estopinal College of Architecture and Planning

3-Year M.Arch
(Students with any undergraduate degree)

ARCH 501 6	ARCH 502 6	ARCH 503 3
ARCH 514 3	ARCH 518 3	ARCH 538 3
ARCH 561 3	ARCH 570 3	ARCH 571 3
ARCH 639 3	ARCH 642 3	OPTIONAL 3

MUNCIE LOCATION

FALL
501: Design Thinking and Foundations Studio

514: Introduction to Architectural Building Technology

561: Visualization and Communication

639: History of Architecture: 1750 to Present

SPRING
502: Environmental Design & Site Context Studio

518: Introduction to Structural Systems

570: Passive Environmental Systems

642: Architecture Theory

SUMMER
503: Design Application Workshop

538: Structural and Material Systems

571: Active Environmental Systems

OPTIONAL

2-Year M.Arch
(Students with Advanced Standing)

ARCH 601 6	ARCH 602 6	ARCH 603 6	ARCH 604 6
ARCH 551 3	ARCH 618 3	ARCH 624 3	ARCH 620 3
ARCH 647 3	ARCH 636 3	ARCH 637 3	ARCH 646 3
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MUNCIE LOCATION

FALL
601: Multi-Disciplinary Design Knowledge Studio

551: Contemporary Issues in Architecture

647: Applied Theory and Representation

ELECTIVE

SPRING
602: Integrated Architecture Design Studio

618: Applied Systems Thinking

636: Research Methods in Architecture

ELECTIVE

INDY LOCATION

FALL
603: Community Engaged Applied Design Studio

624: Applied Architectural Building Technology

637: Final Project Preparation

ELECTIVE

SPRING
604: Independent Final Project Studio

620: Professional Practice

646: Urban Design: History, Theory, and Practice

ELECTIVE

Master of Architecture Program

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About our Program

M.Arch Program

The award winning M.Arch program at the R. Wayne Estopinal College of Architecture and Planning aims to develop critical thinking, spatial problem solving, digital literacy, and the lifelong cultivation of design skills.

Our program offers two paths to graduation. The first option is open to students with any undergraduate degree. The 3+ year track requires seven semesters for completion. The second option is open to students with an pre-professional bachelor's degree in architecture. The Advanced Standing track allows students with appropriate experience to bypass the first year of the 3+ year track and begin in the second year of the program.

This degree program is intended for students who hope to pursue a license in architecture.

Accreditation

NAAB ACCREDITED M.ARCH.

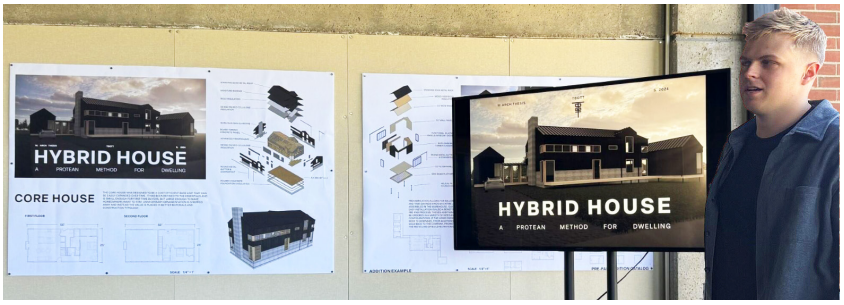
The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which is the sole agency authorized to accredit U.S. professional degree programs in architecture, recognizes three types of degrees: the Bachelor of Architecture, the Master of Architecture, and the Doctor of Architecture. Most state registration boards require a degree from an accredited professional degree program as a prerequisite for licensure.

The Department of Architecture offers two paths toward earning a fully accredited Master of Architecture:

M.Arch (3+ years), 99 credit-hours: open to students with a undergraduate degree in any discipline.

M.Arch with Advanced Standing, 60 credit-hours: open to students with a pre-professional degree in architecture.

Next scheduled NAAB visit: Fall 2030



How to Apply

Apply for admission into the Graduate School using the Graduate School Application Process.

International students should follow the International Admissions Process.

Check our website for deadlines for priority consideration of graduate assistantships.

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