

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF  
ARCHITECTURAL STUDIES/MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE  
CHRISTOPHER C. GIBBS COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE  
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education <b>Summer 2024 through Spring 2025</b>

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	168
Minimum Upper-Division Hours .....	48
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined and OU .....	3.0
All Required Professional Courses .....	3.0

Program
<b>Architecture-3 ½ + 1½ Program</b>
<b>A043/F046</b>
Bachelor of Architectural Studies/Master of Architecture

OU encourages students to complete at least 34 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 5 years.

**Minimum Total Credit Hours:** 168  
**Minimum Upper-Division Hours:** 48

**Overall GPA - Combined and OU:** 3.00  
**All Required Professional Courses GPA:** 3.0

**Program Code:** A043/F046

## General Education and College Requirements

Courses designated as Core I, II, III, IV, or V are part of the General Education curriculum. Students must complete a minimum of 40 hours of General Education courses, chosen from the approved list, including at least one upper-division Gen. Ed. course outside of the student's major. **Courses graded S/U or P/NP will not apply.**

### UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication</b>		
<i>English Composition</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or EXPO 1213	Expository Writing	
<i>Language (0-10 hours in the same language)</i>		
This requirement can be met by two years of the same language in high school:		0-10
Beginning Course (0-5 hours)		
Beginning Course, continued (0-5 hours)		
<i>Mathematics</i>		
MATH 1523	Precalculus and Trigonometry	3
<b>Core Area II: Natural Science (including one laboratory)</b>		
<i>Natural Science</i>		
PHYS 1114	General Physics for Non-Science Majors	4
<i>Natural Science with lab</i>		
Choose one course from a different topic than natural science		4
<b>Core Area III: Social Science</b>		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course		3
<b>Core Area IV: Arts &amp; Humanities</b>		
<i>Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course		3
<i>Western Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3

or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course <sup>1</sup>		3
<i>World Culture</i>		
Choose one general education course at the upper division (3000-4000) level and outside of the major		3
<b>Core Area V: First-Year Experience</b>		
Choose one course		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>38-48</b>

<sup>1</sup> Excluding HIST 1483 and HIST 1493.

## Free Electives

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

## Major Requirements

- A minimum grade of C is required in all major coursework to continue in the BAS. A minimum 3.25 GPA is required for admission to the accelerated BAS+MARCH. A minimum 3.0 GPA must be maintained to continue in the accelerated BAS+MARCH.
- All first year courses are to be completed before advancing to the second year unless otherwise approved by the Architecture Division Director.
- Admission to the BAS or the accelerated MARCH degree program is limited to students who are certified for degree candidacy and meet all prerequisites.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
ARCH 1155	Design I- Design Fundamentals	5
ARCH 1163	Methods I - Materiality of Place	3
ARCH 1255	Design II - Craft and Making	5
ARCH 1263	Methods II - Pattern of Architecture	3
ARCH 2243	History of the Built Environment I	3
ARCH 2343	History of the Built Environment II (Core IV-WC)	3
ARCH 2356	Design III - Crafting Place	6
ARCH 2363	Materials and Form	3
ARCH 2456	Design IV - Materials and Making	6
ARCH 2463	Methods IV - Sustainable and Resilient Systems I	3
ARCH 4000	Foreign Study	0
ARCH 4193	Architectural Structures I	3
ARCH 4233	Architectural Structures II	3
ARCH 4453	Modern and Contemporary Architecture	3
ARCH 3556	Design V - Architectural Making I	6
ARCH 3656	Design VI - Architectural Making II	6
ARCH 4563	Methods V- Sustainable and Resilient Systems II	3
ARCH 4543	Architectural Theory and Criticism	3
ARCH 4663	Methods VI- Urban Design Methodologies	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>70</b>

## Graduate Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Required Courses</b>		
ARCH 5723	Methods VII-Advanced Systems <sup>1, 2</sup>	3
ARCH 5536	Graduate Architectural Design III <sup>1, 2</sup>	6
ARCH 5333	Advanced Structures	3
ARCH 5863	Methods VIII-Building Performance Analytics	3
ARCH 5546	Graduate Architectural Design IV	6
ARCH 5543	Architectural Theory and Criticism <sup>2</sup>	3
ARCH 6590	Professional Project Research	3
ARCH 5923	Methods IX - Entrepreneurial Architect and Leadership	3
ARCH 6956	Design IX- Comprehensive Architecture I	6
ARCH 5053	Methods X - Tools of Practice	3
ARCH 6056	Design X- Comprehensive Architecture II	6
<b>Research Elective</b>		

Choose 15 hours of graduate courses in architecture or related discipline	15
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<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>60</b>
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- <sup>1</sup> ARCH 4723 and ARCH 4756 were removed from the BARCH and replaced by ARCH 5723 and ARCH 5536 in order to share hours between the BARCH and MARCH degrees.
- <sup>2</sup> These courses are shared between the BARCH and MARCH (12 hours): ARCH 5723, ARCH 5536, and ARCH 5543.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/gibbs-architecture/architecture/architecture-bachelor-architectural-studies-master-architecture/>).

## Semester Plan of Study

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In the United States, most registration boards require a degree from an accredited professional degree program as a prerequisite for licensure. The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), which is the sole agency authorized to accredit professional degree programs in architecture offered by institutions with U.S. regional accreditation, recognizes three types of degrees: the Bachelor of Architecture, the Master of Architecture, and the Doctor of Architecture. A program may be granted an eight-year term, an eight-year term with conditions, or a two-year term of continuing accreditation, or a three-year term of initial accreditation, depending on the extent of its conformance with established education standards. Doctor of Architecture and Master of Architecture degree programs may require a non-accredited undergraduate degree in architecture for admission. However, the non-accredited degree is not, by itself, recognized as an accredited degree.

The University of Oklahoma, Division of Architecture offers the following NAAB-accredited degree programs: Bachelor of Architecture, 150 credits; Master of Architecture, 60 credits; Master of Architecture, 96 credits; and Accelerated Master of Architecture/Bachelor of Sciences in Architectural Studies, 168 credits. The next accreditation visit date for the University of Oklahoma is 2023.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER		Hours	SECOND SEMESTER		Hours		
FRESHMAN	ARCH 1163	Methods I - Materiality of Place	3	ARCH 1263	Methods II - Pattern of Architecture	3		
	ARCH 1155	Design I- Design Fundamentals	5	ARCH 1255	Design II - Craft and Making	5		
	ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition ( Core I )	3		First-Year Experience (Core V) <sup>1</sup>	3		
	MATH 1523	Precalculus and Trigonometry ( Core I )	3	PHYS 1114	General Physics for Non-Science Majors ( Core II )	4		
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>		
	<b>SUMMER</b>							
SOPHOMORE	HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States to 1865 ( Core IV ) or United States, 1865 to the Present	3					
	ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition ( Core I ) or Expository Writing	3					
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>6</b>					
	ARCH 2243	History of the Built Environment I ( Core IV )	3	ARCH 2343	History of the Built Environment II ( Core IV )	3		
	ARCH 2363	Materials and Form	3	ARCH 2463	Methods IV- Sustainable and Resilient Systems I	3		
	ARCH 2356	Design III - Crafting Place	6	ARCH 2456	Design IV - Materials and Making	6		
		Natural Science, with lab-(Core II) from approved Gen. Ed. list	4	ARCH 4193	Architectural Structures I	3		
<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>			
<b>SUMMER</b>								
JUNIOR	P SC 1113	American Federal Government ( Core III )	3					
			Social Science - Advised Elective (Core III)	3				
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>6</b>					
	ARCH 4233	Architectural Structures II	3	ARCH 4000	Foreign Study ( may be taken any semester )	0		
	ARCH 4453	Modern and Contemporary Architecture	3	ARCH 4663	Methods VI- Urban Design Methodologies	3		
	ARCH 4563	Methods V- Sustainable and Resilient Systems II	3	ARCH 3656	Design VI - Architectural Making II	6		
ARCH 3556	Design V - Architectural Making I	6			Open Elective (upper division) <sup>2</sup>	3		
					Open Elective (upper division) <sup>2</sup>	3		
<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>			
SENIOR	ARCH 5723	Methods VII-Advanced Systems <sup>5,7</sup>	3	ARCH 5863	Methods VIII-Building Performance Analytics	3		
	ARCH 5536	Graduate Architectural Design III <sup>6,7</sup>	6	ARCH 5546	Graduate Architectural Design IV	6		
			Research Elective <sup>4</sup>	3	ARCH 5543	Architectural Theory and Criticism <sup>7</sup>	3	
			World Culture - (Core IV), upper-division	3	ARCH 6590	Professional Project Research	3	
			Artistic Forms — (Core IV) <sup>3</sup>	3			Research Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>18</b>		
FIFTH YEAR	ARCH 5923	Methods IX - Entrepreneurial Architect and Leadership	3	ARCH 5053	Methods X - Tools of Practice	3		
	ARCH 6956	Design IX- Comprehensive Architecture I	6	ARCH 6056	Design X- Comprehensive Architecture II	6		
	ARCH 5333	Advanced Structures	3			Research Elective <sup>4</sup>	3	
			Research Elective <sup>4</sup>	3			Research Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>		

<sup>1</sup> It is recommended for students in the Gibbs College of Architecture to enroll in PDC 1003 to fulfill the First-Year Experience requirement.

<sup>2</sup> Open Elective (6 hours)—Any open elective hours are the student's choice but **may not** include architecture courses.

<sup>3</sup> Required upper-division Gen. Ed. course outside of the student's major.

<sup>4</sup> Research Elective (15 hours)—student choice of graduate courses in architecture or related discipline.

<sup>5</sup> ARCH 4723 can be substituted for ARCH 5723. Students must take ARCH 5723 in order to share hours with the graduate degree.

<sup>6</sup> ARCH 4756 can be substituted for ARCH 5536. Students must take ARCH 5536 in order to share hours with the graduate degree.

<sup>7</sup> Shared courses (12 hours): ARCH 5723, ARCH 5536, and ARCH 5543.