

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE**  
**CHRISTOPHER C. GIBBS COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

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

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	150
Minimum Upper-Division Hours .....	48
Major Hours .....	100
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined and OU .....	2.50
All Required Professional Courses .....	2.50

Program
<b>Architecture - Four+ Year Program</b>
<b>B044</b>
Bachelor of Architecture

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 5 years.

**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 150 including 48 upper-division hours (may not include architecture courses).

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

- A minimum grade of C is required in all major coursework.
- Completion of a university-approved minor or Division approved concentration is also required. 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 BARCH 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 (Core IV-WC)	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 4333	Advanced Structures	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
ARCH 4723	Methods VII - Advanced Systems	3
ARCH 4756	Design VII - Systems and Context	6
ARCH 4160	Internship	0
ARCH 4923	Methods IX- Entrepreneurial Architect and Leadership	3
ARCH 4956	Design IX- Options Studio I	6
ARCH 4053	Methods X- Tool of Practice	3
ARCH 4056	Design X- Options Studio II	6
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>100</b>

**MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Professional Electives</b>		
Choose 9 hours of upper-division courses in architecture or a related discipline		9

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/gibbs-architecture/architecture/architecture-four-year-program-bachelor-architecture/>).

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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>						
FRESHMAN	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>			
SOPHOMORE	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>						
SOPHOMORE		Social Science - Advised Elective (Core III)	3			
	P SC 1113	American Federal Government ( Core III )	3			
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>6</b>			
JUNIOR	ARCH 4233	Architectural Structures II	3	ARCH 4000	Foreign Study ( may be taken any semester )	0
	ARCH 4453	Modern and Contemporary Architecture	3	ARCH 4543	Architectural Theory and Criticism	3
	ARCH 4563	Methods V- Sustainable and Resilient Systems II	3	ARCH 4663	Methods VI- Urban Design Methodologies	3
	ARCH 3556	Design V - Architectural Making I	6	ARCH 3656	Design VI - Architectural Making II	6
						Open Elective (upper division) <sup>2</sup>
<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	
SENIOR	ARCH 4333	Advanced Structures	3	ARCH 4160	Internship ( shall comply to the program internship guidelines )	0
	ARCH 4723	Methods VII - Advanced Systems	3			
	ARCH 4756	Design VII - Systems and Context ( Capstone )	6			
		World Culture (Core IV), upper-division	3			
		Artistic Forms (Core IV) <sup>3</sup>	3			
<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>0</b>	
FIFTH YEAR	ARCH 4923	Methods IX- Entrepreneurial Architect and Leadership	3	ARCH 4053	Methods X- Tool of Practice	3
	ARCH 4956	Design IX- Options Studio I	6	ARCH 4056	Design X- Options Studio II	6
		Professional Elective <sup>4</sup>	3		Professional Elective <sup>4</sup>	3
		Open Elective (upper division) <sup>2</sup>	3		Professional 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> Professional Elective (9 hours)—student choice of upper-division courses in architecture or related discipline.