

Four-Year Plan ARCHITECTURE B.D.A.

For Students Officially Admitted to the Program in Fall 2023 or Spring 2024 Only
(v. 3-9-2023)



COLLEGE OF DESIGN
UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

YEAR 1: FALL

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Arch 1281: Design Fundamentals I (fall only) (Arts/Humanities)	4	
Arch 1621W: Introduction to Critical Inquiry in Practice (fall only) (Writing Intensive)	3	
Writ 1301: University Writing	4	
Liberal Education Requirement	3-4	
Total Credits	14-15	

YEAR 1: SPRING

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Arch 2281: Design Fundamentals II (spring only)	4	* For course options, refer to your APAS report.
Secondary Core Elective *	3	Apply to the BDA Program at End of the Term
Liberal Education Requirements	8-9	
Total Credits	15-16	

YEAR 2: FALL

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Arch 2301: Drawing and Critical Thinking (fall only)	4	* For course options, refer to your APAS report.
Arch 3411W: Architectural History to 1750 (fall only) (Historical Perspectives; Global Perspectives; Writing Intensive)	3	Good Term to Study Abroad
Architecture Elective (Arch 3xxx-4xxx) *	3	
Secondary Core Elective *	3	
Liberal Education Requirement	3-4	
Total Credits	16-17	

YEAR 2: SPRING

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Arch 3412W: Architectural History Since 1750 (spring only) (Global Perspectives; Historical Perspectives; Writing Intensive)	3	* For course options, refer to your APAS report.
Design Workshops (Arch 3231 and Arch 3232) * #	6	# You may take one A Term and one B Term workshop per semester.
Secondary Core Elective *	3	Good Term to Study Abroad
Liberal Education Requirement	3-4	
Total Credits	15-16	

This is a sample plan subject to change prior to the start of Fall Term 2023.

YEAR 3: FALL

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Architecture Elective (Arch 3xxx-4xxx) *	3	* For course options, refer to your APAS report.
Design Workshops (Arch 3231 and Arch 3232) * #	3	# You may take one A Term and one B Term workshop per semester.
Advanced Design Workshops (Arch 4231 and Arch 4232) *	3	
Architecture History / Theory Elective *	3	Good term to take Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design (1 cr.)
Upper-Division Course Outside the College	3-4	
Total Credits		15-16

YEAR 3: SPRING

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Architecture Elective (Arch 3xxx-4xxx) *	3	* For course options, refer to your APAS report.
Advanced Design Workshops (Arch 4231 and Arch 4232) * #	6	# You may take one A Term and one B Term workshop per semester
Architecture History / Theory Elective *	3	Good term to take Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design (1 cr.)
Upper-Division Course Outside the College	3-4	
Total Credits		15-16

YEAR 4: FALL

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Upper-Division Course Outside the College	3-4	Good Term to Study Abroad
Liberal Education Requirements / Electives	10-11	
Total Credits		14-15

YEAR 4: SPRING

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
Liberal Education Requirements / Electives	15	
Total Credits		15

Liberal Education Requirements Not Met by Major Requirements

DIVERSIFIED CORE	DESIGNATED THEMES (Complete RPJ plus 2 of the remaining 3.)	WRITING INTENSIVE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biological Sciences - Literature - Mathematical Thinking - Physical Sciences - Social Sciences (may overlap with Secondary Core) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Civic Life and Ethics (may overlap with Secondary Core) - Race, Power, and Justice in the U.S. (RPJ) - Technology and Society (may overlap with Secondary Core) - The Environment (may overlap with Secondary Core) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - One course (may overlap with Secondary Core)

Important Note: An M.Arch is required in order to become a licensed architect in Minnesota. In general, this degree allows you to complete a Master of Architecture (M.Arch) degree program in three years.