

Four-Year Plan  
**LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE B.L.A.**  
 For Students Officially Admitted to the Program in Fall 2023 or Spring 2024 Only  
(v. 3-8-2023)



COLLEGE of DESIGN  
 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

**YEAR 1: FALL**

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

**YEAR 1: SPRING**

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
<b>Arch 2281:</b> Design Fundamentals II (spring only)	4	
<b>LA 1301:</b> Introduction to Landscape Architecture Drawing (spring only) (Arts/Humanities)	3	
<b>LA 1401:</b> The Designed Environment (spring only) (Arts/Humanities)	3	
Liberal Education Requirements	3-6	
Total Credits	13-16	

**YEAR 2: FALL**

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
<b>Arch 3711W:</b> Environmental Design and the Sociocultural Context (fall only) (Social Science; Civic Life and Ethics; Writing Intensive)	3	
<b>LA 2301:</b> Mixed Analog and Digital Representation Methods (fall only)	3	
<b>LA 3001:</b> Understanding and Creating Landscape Space (fall only)	4	
<b>LA 3501:</b> Environmental Design and Its Biological and Physical Context (fall only) (The Environment)	3	
Liberal Education Requirement	3-4	
Total Credits	16-17	

**YEAR 2: SPRING**

COURSES	CREDITS	NOTES
<b>LA 1601:</b> Design and Equity (spring only) (Arts/Humanities; Race, Power, and Justice in the U.S.) (spring only)	3	* For course options, refer to your APAS Report.
<b>LA 2302:</b> Representation 2 (spring only)	3	<b>Good Term to Study Abroad</b>
<b>LA 3002:</b> Informants of Creating Landscape Space (spring only)	4	
<b>Biological Sciences Core Elective *</b>	4	
Total Credits	14	

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

**YEAR 3: FALL**

<b>COURSES</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>EEB 3001:</b> Ecology and Society (fall only) (The Environment)	3	<b>Good term to take Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design</b> (1 credit)
<b>Hort 1015:</b> Woody and Herbaceous Plants (fall only)	4	
<b>LA 3413:</b> Introduction to Landscape Architectural History (Historical Perspectives; Global Perspectives) (fall only)	3	
<b>LA 3571:</b> Landscape Construction: Site Systems & Engineering (fall only)	3	
<b>LA 4001:</b> Sustainable Landscape Design and Planning Practices Studio (fall only)	4	
Total Credits	17	

**YEAR 3: SPRING**

<b>COURSES</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>LA 3572:</b> Landscape Construction: Materials, Assemblies and Performance (spring only)	3	* Refer to: <a href="http://z.umn.edu/required-internship">z.umn.edu/required-internship</a>
<b>LA 4002:</b> Design of Urban Landscapes (spring only)	4	<b>Good term to take Des 3201: Career and Internship Preparation for Design</b> (1 credit)
<b>LA 4096:</b> Internship in Landscape Design and Planning *	1	
<b>LA 4501:</b> Landscape Analysis (spring only)	3	<b>Good Term to Study Abroad</b>
Liberal Education Requirement or elective	3-4	
Total Credits	14-15	

**YEAR 4: FALL**

<b>COURSES</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>LA 3003:</b> Climate Change Adaptation (fall only)	3	
<b>LA 4573:</b> Landscape Construction: Plant and Soil Systems (fall only)	3	
<b>LA 4901:</b> Design of Regional Landscapes (fall only)	4	
Liberal Education Requirement or elective	3-4	
Total Credits	13-14	

**YEAR 4: SPRING**

<b>COURSES</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
<b>LA 4902:</b> Advanced Landscape Architectural Design (spring only)	4	
<b>LA 5302:</b> Professional Practice (spring only)	3	
Liberal Education Requirements or electives	6-8	
Total Credits	13-15	

**Liberal Education Requirements *Not* Met by Major Requirements**

<b>DIVERSIFIED CORE</b>	<b>WRITING INTENSIVE</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Literature</li> <li>- Mathematical Thinking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Physical Sciences</li> <li>- Two courses, at least one upper-division</li> </ul>