

### What is Architectural Studies?

From houses, hospitals, schools and bridges to museums and skyscrapers, architects plan and design buildings and structures. Landscape architecture is a specialization of architectural studies focusing on outdoor, open spaces to design gardens, parks and natural settings. Working directly with clients, engineers and contractors, architects develop ideas, estimate costs and plan designs for construction. In addition, architects work closely with city and local government to remain in compliance with government laws, regulations and building codes.

**Areas of Study in Architectural Studies:** Two and Three Dimensional Design, Drawing, Architectural History, Architectural Theory, Mathematics, Physics, Computer Aided Design, Computer Graphics, Public Policy, Building Codes, Government Regulations, Estimating, Building Materials, Project Management and Professional Ethics.

### Where does my path start?

You will complete an Associate of Arts – Direct Transfer Agreement (AA-DTA) at Shoreline.

Use the AA -DTA **Degree Planning Guide** to understand the requirements for graduation.

Architecture programs require specific courses in the first two years of study that are not offered at community colleges; therefore, depending on the transfer destination, it may be advisable to transfer before completing the AA-DTA degree.

To practice as a licensed architect, students will need to complete an accredited graduate degree in architecture.

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### Where can I go for help?

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#### Career Planning

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### Where can I transfer?

Students can transfer to a number of public and private colleges and universities in the U.S., but the Direct Transfer Agreement applies only within Washington. The following colleges in Washington offer a bachelor's degree in Architectural Studies, which require specific courses for admission. Contact the Architectural Studies department at your chosen four-year school(s) for more information.

[University of Washington](#)

[Washington State University](#)

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### What can I do with a Bachelor's Degree in Architectural Studies?

Students who graduate with a bachelor's degree in Architectural Studies can apply for entry level positions and must work directly under the supervision of a licensed architect. A graduate level degree in Architecture and a three-year internship are required for professional licensure. For more information on the Architecture profession:

American Institute of Architects: [www.aiaonline.com](http://www.aiaonline.com) or [www.aiaseattle.org](http://www.aiaseattle.org); Architecture Education: [www.acsa-arch.org](http://www.acsa-arch.org); Licensing Requirements: [www.naab.org](http://www.naab.org) or [www.ncarb.org](http://www.ncarb.org)

**Potential employers include:** Private architectural firms, engineering companies, colleges and universities, government agencies, consulting firms, real estate developers, city councils, urban planning councils, construction companies, historical societies, and self-employment. For more, please visit <http://www.shoreline.edu/counseling-services/career-counseling.aspx>.

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**What courses should I take?\***

*Below are recommendations for fulfilling the AA-DTA requirements if you are planning to pursue a four-year degree in Architectural Studies.*

**Strongly Recommended**

These are commonly **required** for admission. Check with your chosen four-year program(s) to confirm.

**Other Recommendations**

These courses are well-matched with this major, but are not commonly required for admission.

**I. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS**

**Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning**

MATH &148 or &151

**II. DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS**

**Humanities**

ART &100, 131-133, 251, ARTH 226, CMST &101, &210 or &220  
World Language if required for university admission or graduation.

**Natural Sciences**

CHEM &121, BIOL 124, 126, &211, &213, GEOL &101, PHYS &114 or &221

**Social Sciences**

HIST& 116, 118 or HIST 234, 237

**III. GENERAL ELECTIVES**

See Admission requirements (Below):  
Courses to be completed in first 2 years of program at transfer school (Shoreline students may take these courses as non-matriculated students at UW while still enrolled at Shoreline.)

**What does your chosen four-year school require?**

Before choosing classes, become familiar with the four-year program where you want to apply: visit the website, email the department, and/or speak with a Shoreline advisor. Below are examples from Washington schools with different admissions and graduation requirements. Check with the school for world language requirements. (Non-native speakers of English are often exempt from this requirement.)

School	Degrees	Requirements
University of Washington	B.A. in Architecture (dual degree with Construction Management available)	Admission requirements – Architecture & Architectural Design: ARCH 200, 231, 350, 351, 352
	B.A. in Architectural Design	Admission requirements - Bachelor of Landscape Architecture: L ARCH 300, plus L ARCH 352 or 353. ARCH and L ARCH courses must be taken at UW.
	Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (BLA)	All three programs also require completion of UW General Education Requirements and recommend art classes. L ARCH also recommends GEOL &101, a botany class, drawing and painting courses. Each program has one application date per year. See their web sites for details <a href="http://www.be.washington.edu">www.be.washington.edu</a> .
Washington State University	B.S. in Architectural Studies Bachelor of Landscape Architecture	Both Architectural Studies and Landscape Architecture require specific courses in the first two years that are not offered at Shoreline. <b>Students who want to complete a bachelor's degree within four years are strongly advised to transfer to WSU as soon as possible to complete the architecture program prerequisites.</b> <a href="http://sdc.wsu.edu/">http://sdc.wsu.edu/</a>

**\*\* This unofficial guide is intended to support you as you prepare for your major. Please consult with an advisor and your chosen four-year school(s), as program and admissions requirements vary and may change without notice.**