

# ARCHITECTURE, MS

The Master of Science degree, first offered in 1984, is intended for individuals with an undergraduate professional degree in architecture who wish to pursue a self-directed program of study at the advanced level. It enables students to gain a greater understanding of the relationship between the discipline and the profession. A total of ten approved courses are required, including one course in Architectural Theory and an individually directed selection of electives from the Master of Architecture program, and a qualifying exam. This degree is normally completed in one calendar year. Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree in architecture.

**For more information:** <https://www.design.upenn.edu/architecture/graduate/master-science-architecture> (<https://www.design.upenn.edu/architecture/graduate/master-science-architecture/>)

View the University's Academic Rules for Research Master's Programs (<http://catalog.upenn.edu/pennbook/academic-rules-research-masters/>).

Code	Title	Course Units
	Research Requirement	
	Master's Final Exam	
	Graduate Group signoff	

## Curriculum

A total of 10 course units are required.

First Year		
Fall		Course Units
ARCH 8110	Theories of Architecture: Environments, Techniques, and Expressive Means	1
	Elective I	1
	Elective II	1
	Elective III	1
	<b>Course Units</b>	<b>4.00</b>
Spring		
ARCH 8120	Methods In Architectura Research	1
	Elective IV	1
	Elective V	1
	Elective VI	1
	<b>Course Units</b>	<b>4.00</b>
Summer		
ARCH 8150	Research Report	2
	<b>Course Units</b>	<b>2.00</b>
	<b>Total Course Units</b>	<b>10.00</b>

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2025 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.