

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE & REGIONAL PLANNING, MLA

The Department of Landscape Architecture and Regional Planning offers two primary courses of study leading to a professionally accredited Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) degree. The first professional degree program is three years in length and is designed for students with an undergraduate degree in a field other than landscape architecture or architecture. The second professional degree is two years in length and is designed for those who already hold an accredited bachelor's degree in either landscape architecture or architecture. Students may be admitted with advanced standing into either of these programs depending upon their respective backgrounds. Dual degree programs with Architecture (MLA/MARCH), City Planning (MLA/MCP), Historic Preservation (MLA/MSHP), Urban Spatial Analytics (MLA/MUSA), or Fine Arts (MLA/MFA) are also available. The Master of Landscape Architecture degree may be combined with Weitzman School of Design certificate programs, such as the Urban Design Certificate. The Department also offers a Certificate in Landscape Studies, designed for students who may wish to augment or focus their prior work through research into landscape topics.

For more information: <https://www.design.upenn.edu/landscape-architecture/work> (<https://www.design.upenn.edu/landscape-architecture/work/>)

Curriculum

MLA: First Professional Degree

A total of 28 course units are required for graduation.

| First Year | | Course Units |
|--------------|--|--------------|
| Fall | | |
| LARP 501 | Studio I | 2 |
| LARP 511 | Workshop I: Ecology and Built Landscapes | 1 |
| LARP 535 | Theory I: The Culture of Nature | 1 |
| LARP 533 | Media I: Drawing and Visualization | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Spring | | |
| LARP 502 | Studio II | 2 |
| LARP 512 | Workshop II: Landform and Planting Design | 1 |
| LARP 540 | Theory II: Landscape Architecture History and Theory | 1 |
| LARP 542 | Media II: Digital Visualization | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Second Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| LARP 601 | Studio III | 2 |
| LARP 611 | Workshop III: Site Engineering and Water Management | 1 |
| LARP 761 | Urban Ecology | 1 |
| LARP 543 | Media III: Flows: Linear / Non-Linear | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Spring | | |
| LARP 602 | Studio IV | 2 |
| LARP 781 | Contemporary Urbanism | 1 |

| LARP 544 | Media IV: Futures: Trends and Trajectories | 1 |
|--------------------|--|-------|
| Elective | | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Third Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| LARP 701 | Studio V | 2 |
| LARP 612 | Workshop IV: Advanced Landscape Construction | 1 |
| Elective | | 1 |
| Course Units | | 4.00 |
| Spring | | |
| LARP 702 | Studio VI | 2 |
| Elective | | 1 |
| Elective | | 1 |
| Course Units | | 4.00 |
| Total Course Units | | 28.00 |

MLA: Second Professional Degree

A total of 19 course units are required for graduation.

| First Year | | Course Units |
|--------------------|--|--------------|
| Fall | | |
| LARP 601 | Studio III | 2 |
| LARP 512 | Workshop II: Landform and Planting Design | Audit 1 |
| LARP 611 | Workshop III: Site Engineering and Water Management | 1 |
| LARP 761 | Urban Ecology | 1 |
| LARP 543 | Media III: Flows: Linear / Non-Linear | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Spring | | |
| LARP 602 | Studio IV | 2 |
| LARP 781 | Contemporary Urbanism | 1 |
| LARP 540 | Theory II: Landscape Architecture History and Theory | 1 |
| LARP 544 | Media IV: Futures: Trends and Trajectories | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Second Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| LARP 701 | Studio V | 2 |
| LARP 612 | Workshop IV: Advanced Landscape Construction | 1 |
| LARP 535 | Theory I: The Culture of Nature | 1 |
| Elective | | 1 |
| Course Units | | 5.00 |
| Spring | | |
| LARP 702 | Studio VI | 2 |
| Elective | | 1 |
| Elective | | 1 |
| Course Units | | 4.00 |
| Total Course Units | | 19.00 |

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¹ All students entering with a Bachelor of Architecture degree are required to audit LARP 512.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2020 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.
