



The **Master of Science in Architecture degree** is a research-based academic degree for students interested in advanced architectural studies. This degree does not prepare students to receive an architecture licensure. It is for students with an accredited professional B.Arch., M. Arch., or an approved bachelor's degree (such as BS in architecture) or in another discipline. Students who have non-architecture degrees and wish to enter the program may be required to complete leveling work that will not accrue graduate credit toward their degree.

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Students who have non-architecture degrees and wish to enter the program, and those who do not have a basic understanding of computing and computer-assisted design skills, may be required to complete leveling work that will not accrue graduate credit toward their degree. Students will be required to complete a minimum of 28 credit hours of graduate study and write and defend a thesis (6 hours).

Students requesting admission into the Master of Science in Architecture program must meet the entrance standards of the Graduate School and the College of Architecture. The admission application includes a portfolio of creative work (writing, design, drawing, photography, etc.) that reflects the student's level of design interest, intellectual inquiry, and communication skills.

There are three options for Master of Science in Architecture (MS) students

1. Master of Science in Architecture with specialization in Design and Health (D&H)
2. Master of Science in Architecture with specialization in Digital Design and Fabrication (DDF)
3. Master of Science in Architecture with specialization in Urban and Community Design (UCD)

Academic requirements will vary depending on the option chosen. Each candidate for the Master of Science in Architecture (MS) degree must specify the option they are interested in. After the first semester, students will be matched with a faculty member who will serve as their academic advisor and the chair of their thesis committee. The advisor will be responsible for guiding the student concerning electives, developing a thesis proposal, and selecting thesis committee members. All students seeking a degree must complete the program in residency, including the thesis. Financial assistance may be available. There are scholarships, fellowships, graduate assistantships, research assistantships available for graduate students. When possible, the college may be able to offer graduate part-time instructor positions.

Admission to the Graduate Program

Current Texas Tech Architecture candidates with 3.0 GPA – some elements of admission process may be waived

Non-Texas Tech candidates or below a 3.0 GPA – comprehensive review

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