SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST FOR THE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE

COA is the most engaged architecture program in the country with five separate opportunities to work directly with professionals: the Collaboration Studio, the Visiting Critics Studio, the Residency Program, the Topical Atelier Studios and the Practicum+Studio Program.

COA is the only architecture program in the country to require International experience as an undergraduate.

COA offers Certificates in specialized instruction as part of the first professional graduate degree. Certificates can be obtained in Historic Preservation, Urban and Community Design, Digital Design and Fabrication, and Healthcare Facility Design. These Certificates make our graduates more competitive for employment.

COA offers many opportunities to be engaged with community design. Both the El Paso and Houston programs require significant community engagement projects that encourage service learning. The downtown Lubbock Studio, UrbanTech, offers an opportunity to study urban development with the movers and shakers of a mid-sized city. This program also works well with the dual degree program that we have with Business. MARCH and MBA.

COA offers opportunities to earn dual degrees in Architecture/Business and Architecture/Engineering.

COA offers extensive skills training:
In Art with 7 showing artists on our full time faculty.
In Making with over 15,000 square feet of shop space in the building and an additional 2500 square feet to be added.
In Documentation with four courses dedicated to developing professional documentation skills.

COA offers excellent resources: a branch library in the building, a print bureau in the building, and a student lounge.