ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN
INTRODUCE YOURSELF

- Name
- Hometown
- Something you’re excited about
- Don’t worry, no fun fact! 😊
WELCOME TO AGGIELAND!

Whenever you start something new or leave something behind, ask yourself two things...

• How do I want to see myself grow through this experience?
• How do I want to make an impact, leaving every place better than I found it?

WHAT WILL YOUR AGGIE LEGACY BE?
SEE A SLIDE YOU WANT TO REMEMBER?
Take a picture!
PART 1
Department and Program Overview
I'M HERE!
NOW WHAT?
DEPARTMENT BY THE NUMBERS

~ 430 Undergraduate Students
~ 100 Master of Architecture Students
~ 50 Master of Science and PhD Students
BACHELOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

• Focused on the built environment
• Studio-based experience
• Students learn to synthesize solutions in both proposed or real design contexts.
• Opportunities for real-world applications.
• Qualifies graduates to pursue a professional M.Arch program.
PATH TO LICENSURE

Education
National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) accredits all professional programs.

Bachelor of Environmental Design: 4 years
M.Arch: 2-3 years

OR
B.Arch: 5 years

Experience
Architectural Experience Program (AXP)
3,740 AXP Training Units, can be started after high school

Examination
Architect Registration Examination (ARE)

Licensure
After completing the above requirements, you can apply for a license.
Minimum of 8 years in Texas
WANT TO BE AN ARCHITECT?
The road to becoming an architect is less complicated than you think. Here are the basics:

EXAMINATION
By passing the Architect Registration Examination® (ARE®), you'll demonstrate proficiency in the skills needed to practice architecture.

LICENSURE
After you've met the requirements for experience, education, and examination, you can apply for a license. Now you're an architect!

CERTIFICATION
Having an NCARB Certificate facilitates licensure in multiple states.

EXPERIENCE
Once you graduate high school, you can start earning real-world experience through the Architectural Experience Program® (AXP®).

EDUCATION
In most states, you'll need to earn a degree from a program accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB).

NCARB
Jumpstart your architectural career today!
ncarb.org/getlicensed
DEGREE PROGRAM

8 Semester Studio Sequence

• 1st Year: Foundations of Design
• 2nd Year: Materials, Methods, and Computation
• 3rd Year: Study Away/Integrated Studio
• 4th Year: Design Research
UPPER LEVEL ADMISSION

• All students enter the program as lower level (EDAL)
• Apply during March of Second Year:
  • Turn in Application and Portfolio
• 2.5 GPA
• Complete Upper Level required courses
• At least 54 hours complete in degree plan.
• See it as a progress checkpoint, not a barrier.
# REQUIRED COURSES FOR UPPER LEVEL ADMISSION

## Major Coursework
*Completed with a C or Higher*

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## Additional Courses
*Completed with a D or Higher*

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STUDY AWAY

- During 3rd Year
- Must be Fall or Spring Semester
- Study Abroad: Spain, Italy, or submit a proposal
- Internship: Student responsible for placement
- Study at another University (Domestic or Abroad)
- Enrolled as Full Time Texas A&M students when on TAMU sponsored programs
Students can declare up to two minors. You can find a complete list on the registrar’s website.

- Sustainable Architecture and Planning
- Art and Architectural History
- Architectural Fabrication and Product Design
- Architectural Heritage Conservation
PART 2
College Success in Five(ish) Minutes or Less.
TIPS FOR SUCCESS

• Go to Class.
• Take ownership of your college experience.
• Sleep. Eat. Take Care of Yourself.
• Think of studio as needing the same amount of time as TWO regular courses.
• Learn your degree plan.
• Interact with your professors and campus resources EARLY and OFTEN
• Meet with your academic advisor
• CHECK YOUR EMAIL
• Learn how you study best.
• Get involved, but don’t over-extend yourself.
• Mistakes happen and it’s OK. What did you learn from it?
LEARNING CAMPUS

Academic Plaza
Evans Library
Langford
SCC
The Commons
BUILDING AND PARKING

• The studio desk is yours 24/7
• Storage lockers/ bins are in the studio
• Building doors lock at 8pm- Use your Student ID Card to enter
• Night parking in closer lots – Check parking.tamu.edu for permit information
CAMPUS RESOURCES

The Academic Success Center
Offers a holistic approach to help students identify roadblocks to academic success and offers resources such as Academic Coaching, SI and tutoring sessions, workshops, etc.
http://successcenter.tamu.edu/Home

Study Hub
Connects students to free academic support resources on campus. Students can search by course, type of support, and location.
http://studyhub.tamu.edu/

Student Counseling Services
Provides short term counseling and crisis intervention services to students of TAMU.
http://scs.tamu.edu/

Disability Services
Offers accommodations coordination, evaluation referral, disability-related information, assistive technology services, sign language interpreting & transcription services for academic purposes.
http://disability.tamu.edu/
ADVISING: ADVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

• Help you with your degree plan, courses, and graduation requirements.
• Process paperwork for Q-drops, Minor forms, etc.
• Help with academic issues, professors, or personal concerns, and inform you of campus resources in case additional assistance is needed.
• Be a resource for you!
**ADVISING: STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Be knowledgeable and responsible for your own degree plan.
- Email, or make an appointment when you have questions. (Plan early for busy times such as pre-registration.)
- Schedule appointments 24 hours in advance.
- TALK to your advisor, your professor, and campus resources if you are struggling!
- There is not a lot we can do to help if you do not contact us until the end of the semester.
- Check your TAMU email and Howdy. Every day. This is not a joke, and is essential to your success in college.
EMAILING YOUR ADVISOR (OR ANYONE, REALLY)

Do’s

• Dear Sent From My Iphone, Please Include your name and UIN.
• Use Complete Sentences, punctuation…
• State your question clearly.
• Include Pertinent Information (Ex. Course section number, CRN number)
• Check Your Resources first, especially during peak times. (Ex. Transfer Course Equivalency)
• Always Be Respectful.
• Allow an Appropriate Amount of Time for a response. Plan Questions and Research Potential Issues ahead of time.
• Check to See if Your Question was Already Answered in a Weekly Newsletter.
• On the flip side, please respond to emails sent by professors or your advisor. Mutual respect in this partnership.
EMAILING YOUR ADVISOR (OR ANYONE, REALLY)

Don’ts

• ALL CAPS EMAILS...Guys, please...
• Please Do not Send Repeat Emails unless you have not received a response within a week.
• Emails Answered During Business Hours. (Ex. If you email at 7:00 PM on Friday evening, emailing again Monday morning saying it’s been 3 days is not accurate...)
GET INVOLVED (WITH MODERATION)!

- Jobs for Aggies: Connects students with on and off campus employment opportunities
- Find student organizations at https://studentactivities.tamu.edu/
- Several organization opportunities within the College of Architecture, including the American Institute of Architects Student Chapter (AIAS).
SCHOLARSHIPS

• Department of Architecture Scholarships: Due December each year.
• College of Architecture Scholarships
• FAFSA.gov or TASFA application
• University Returning Student Scholarship Application
• University Study Abroad Scholarships
• A&M Clubs, Aggie Moms’ Clubs, Lions Clubs, etc.

• If you do not apply, there is a 100% chance you will not get a scholarship.
PART 3
Scheduling and Course Information (Or Why You All Showed up Today)
# COURSE NUMBERS

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<td>Same abbreviation? Same Course Number? Will give the same credit and learning objectives.</td>
<td>Logistics: Location, Time, Days the course meets, Professor</td>
<td>Can be used to look up and register for classes. Needed to email registration questions to advisors.</td>
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**Section Numbers and What They Mean:**

- **200s:** HONORS courses
- **500s:** Regular courses
- **598/ 599/ 700:** Distance Ed., Web Based, or Hybrid (more $)
- **800s:** Mostly Hybrid – Half online, half in class
- **900s:** Writing Intensive *Exception: KINE 120*
SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Foreign Language
Two years of the SAME language in high school (Final high school transcript) or two semesters of the SAME language in college.

Corps of Cadets
NVSC, MLSC, AERS or SOMS

Shop Safety Course
CARC 485

Living Learning Community, etc.
Typically a UGST course
TRANSFER COURSES

- Research community college classes early. Some courses have prerequisites and fill up quickly.
- Admissions.tamu.edu Transfer Course Equivalency
- I cannot find these classes for you. I do not have access to class availability, schedules, or prerequisite requirements.
- Send official transcript to A&M Admissions, NOT ME.

If you have not submitted final dual credit/transfer transcripts or AP Scores, make sure you do not sign up for classes you already have credit for. I can only account for classes currently in Howdy.
BUILDING YOUR SCHEDULE

Yes, There is a Strategy. Yes, it Works.

Start Strong! By Maximizing Your Major Experience, GPA, and College Transition.

STUDY

ARCHITECTURE

COURSE(S)

CORE CLASS

SUCCESS SEMINAR OR OTHER COURSE
FOLDER OVERVIEW

The Moment You’ve All Been Waiting For...
WELCOME TO ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN!

Registration will be held at the SCC (Student Computing Center)

Transfer Conferences: 2:00pm
Freshman Conferences: 2:30pm
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✉️ nsfp@tamu.edu

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