

MASTER of LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE



- Both first professional and post-professional degrees are offered
- Curriculum prepares graduates to become license-eligible landscape architects
- Course of study leading to the first professional degree has received accreditation from the Landscape Architectural Advisory Board of the American Society of Landscape Architects in 2010
- Focus on environmentally and socially sustainable development of the landscape throughout the curriculum
- Learn to design the built environment of neighborhoods, towns, and cities while protecting and managing the natural environment
- Through various studios, students have the opportunity to apply accumulated knowledge of design, land planning and management, construction, ecology, and natural science to actual sites in the Pittsburgh region with collaboration of architecture, urban design, and civil engineering teams of professionals
- Students participate in design projects in urban, suburban, and rural sites across the region
- Opportunity for diversified learning that includes internships in a professional firm, study abroad, and community service projects
- Newly renovated Chatham Eastside features studios, exhibition and critique space, and a state-of-the-art computer classroom
- Graduate assistantships available

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COLLEGE FOR GRADUATE STUDIES

Office of Graduate Admission
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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university
 - Minimum 3.0 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale. (Applicants with less than a 3.0 who show extreme promise through other achievements may be granted admission.)
 - Completed application form
 - Personal essay that describes your background and why you want to pursue graduate studies in landscape architecture
 - Curriculum vita or resume
 - Samples of work that indicate the candidate's creativity in fine or literary arts
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - Official transcripts from each college/university attended
 - Payment of non-refundable \$45 application fee (waived if member of AIA or ASLA)
- Online application without fee:
<http://www.chatham.edu/admissions/apply.cfm>

MASTER OF ARTS IN LANDSCAPE STUDIES

Chatham also offers a Master of Arts in Landscape Studies (46 credits). Students in this program develop an understanding of landscape issues and explore landscape ideologies and strategies that will enable them to practice as creative and responsible professionals. (MALS graduates are **not** eligible to sit for landscape architecture licensure exam.)

For more information, visit
www.chatham.edu/mals

CHATHAM UNIVERSITY GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN COMMUNICATION, HUMANITIES, AND DESIGN

- Master of Arts in Landscape Studies
- Master of Landscape Architecture
- Master of Interior Architecture
- Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing
- Master of Fine Arts in Film & Digital Technology

FIRST PROFESSIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM OF STUDY (78 CREDITS)

PROTOTYPICAL COURSE SCHEDULE (CREDITS IN PARENTHESIS)

YEAR 1

Fall

- Introduction to Landscape Architecture
- Media I: Landscape Graphic Communication
- Design I: Elements & Principles of Landscape Design
- Principles of Sustainability
- Plant Identification
- Seminar I

Spring

- Media II: 2D Digital Visualization
- Design II: Site Design Process
- Environmental Planning and Management
- History of Landscape Architecture

Summer

- Media III: Geographic Information Systems
- Native Plants
- Elective

YEAR 2

Fall

- Construction I: Site Engineering
- Media IV: 3D Digital Visualization
- Design III: Urban Design Studio
- Research Methods
- Landscape Architecture Policies

Spring

- Construction II: Landscape Construction Materials
- Design IV: Landscape Master Planning
- Professional Practice
- Seminar II: Landscape Architectural Policies
- Theory, Ethics, and Professional Practice (3)

Summer

- Thesis Preparation
- Electives

YEAR 3

Fall

- Thesis I
- Construction III: Landscape Construction Documents

Spring

- Thesis II

MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE AS POST-PROFESSIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM

- 44 credits for those with a BLA or BSLA
- 65 credits for those with a BArch

