BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

The highly ranked, five-year NAAB-accrediting Bachelor of Architecture prepares you for professional registration and practice in the field of architecture and design.

At CAPLA, we combine place-based design honed in the extreme climate and exquisite landscape of the Sonoran Desert with cutting-edge material and environmental research—all delivered through robust hands-on learning. As a B.Arch student, you will acquire a portable design sensibility, empowering you to develop critical modes of practice, regardless of where or how you practice.

In the B.Arch, you’ll learn:

- How to design for climate and place
- Techniques, both digital and analog, for design representation and exploration
- Architectural history and theory
- Passive and active building technologies
- Digital fabrication and other advanced technologies
- How design should respond to materials, fabrication and construction
- The impact of sociocultural factors on design
- How to present your work visually, verbally and materially
- How to collaborate
- Professional practices and ethics
- Social justice and design for all

You’ll graduate ready to thrive in a profession of increasing importance that is taking on climate change, growing urban populations, water scarcity and a post-pandemic world.

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The architect’s role is to determine: How can you leave this place better than you found it?

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CAPLA Associate Professor of Architecture
# Bachelor of Architecture Curriculum

166 Units Required

## FALL 1
- **Unit 2/2**
  - ARC 101 A/B
  - ARC 131 A/B
  - ENGL 101
  - MATH 108
  - UNIV 101

## SPRING 1
- **Unit 4**
  - ARC 102
  - ARC 121
  - ENGL 102

## FALL 2
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 201
  - ARC 221
  - ARC 231
  - ARC 241

## SPRING 2
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 202
  - ARC 222
  - ARC 232
  - ARC 242

## FALL 3
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 301
  - ARC 321
  - ARC 326
  - ARC 333
  - ARC 341

## SPRING 3
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 302
  - ARC 322
  - ARC 435
  - ARC 436

## FALL 4
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 401
  - ARC 421
  - ARC 441

## SPRING 4
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 410F
  - ARC 497
  - UNIV 301

## FALL 5
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 410F
  - ARC 497
  - UNIV 301

## SPRING 5
- **Unit 6**
  - ARC 498

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**Milestone**

Admission from Foundation to the Professional Phase is done via a Milestone, which certifies architectural aptitude. It comprises a portfolio review and grade calculation. Up to 90 qualified students are advanced to Core Phase studies each year.

**Admissions**

- Students who meet the general admissions requirements of the University of Arizona and have a core unweighted high school GPA of at least 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale) will be automatically admitted into the Foundations Phase.

- Students who fall below a 3.5 core unweighted GPA and hold at least a 3.0 are still encouraged to apply. These students will be put through a holistic review process of their application including:
  - Personal statement
  - Activities resume
  - Course rigor
  - Types of classes taken
  These should all speak to the student's ability and interest in art, design and/or architecture.

CAPLA does not require portfolios for undergraduate admissions.