

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY
(Final; Information)

EP.24.042 Report of Administrative Approvals through November 6, 2023

Senate committees are authorized to act for and in the name of the Senate on minor matters. Below is a listing of the administrative approvals the Senate Committee on Educational Policy approved at its meeting on November 6. For each program listing, there is no change to the total hours required. Additional information for each approval is attached.

A. Graduate Programs

- 1) **Revise the Master of Landscape Architecture in Landscape Architecture in the College of Fine and Applied Arts and the Graduate College** - replaces an LA 390 Independent Study course with LA 352 permanent course number. LA 390 Independent Study was being utilized to teach a specific section on Woody Landscape Plants while a long-term solution was sought out. Now, LA 352 Woody Landscape Plants has been created.

B. Undergraduate Programs

- 1) **Revise the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture in Landscape Architecture in the College of Fine and Applied Arts** – replaces an LA 390 Independent Study course with LA 352 permanent course number and adds total degree hours and advanced hour statement at the top of the Program of Study table.

Program Change Request

Date Submitted: 09/09/23 11:33 am

Viewing: **10KS0156MLA : Landscape**

Architecture, MLA

Last approved: 07/06/23 4:33 pm

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Changes proposed by: Nicole Turner

Catalog Pages [Landscape Architecture, MLA](#)
Using this
Program

Proposal Type:

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Approval Path

1. 09/12/23 9:04 am
Donna Butler (dbutler):
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2. 10/15/23 9:02 pm
Lori Davis (drlori):
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David Hays (dlhays):
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4. 10/20/23 10:46 am
Nicole Turner (nicturn):
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5. 10/22/23 2:48 pm

Claire Stewart
(clairest):
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University
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6. 10/31/23 10:54
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Allison McKinney
(agrindly):
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Suzanne Lee
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COTE Programs

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Brooke Newell
(bsnewell):
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Provost

History

1. Mar 11, 2022 by
Mary Lowry
(lowry)
2. May 23, 2023 by
Nicole Turner
(nicturn)
3. Jul 6, 2023 by
Brooke Newell
(bsnewell)

Major (ex. Special Education)

This proposal is
for a:
Revision

Administration Details

Official Program Name	Landscape Architecture, MLA
Diploma Title	Master of Landscape Architecture
Sponsor College	Fine & Applied Arts

Sponsor Landscape Architecture
Department

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This MLA proposal (key 346) is related to the proposal for JP: Landscape Architecture, MLA & Urban Planning, MUP key 1087.

Program Justification

Provide a brief description of what changes are being made to the

In the pre-professional track, LA 390 Independent Study (4 hrs) is removed and LA 352 Woody Landscape Plants (4 hrs) is added.

program.

Did the program content change 25% or more in relation to the total credit hours, since the 2020-2021 catalog. (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/archivedacademiccatalogs/2020-2021/>)

No

Why are these changes necessary?

LA 390 Independent Study was being utilized to teach a specific section on Woody Landscape Plants while a long-term solution was sought out. Now, LA 352 Woody Landscape Plants has been created. Both are 4 credit hour courses, so it is a clear substitute to clarify the program of study.

Instructional Resources

Will there be any reduction in other course offerings, programs or concentrations by your department as a result of this new program/proposed change?

No

Does this new program/proposed change result in the replacement of another program?

No

Does the program include other courses/subjects outside of the sponsoring department impacted by the creation/revision of this program?

No

Program Regulation and Assessment

Plan to Assess and Improve Student Learning

Illinois Administrative Code: 1050.30(b)(1)(D) Provision is made for guidance and counseling of students, evaluations of student performance, continuous monitoring of progress of students toward their degree objectives and appropriate academic record keeping.

List the program's student learning outcomes. Each outcome should identify what students are expected to know and/or be able to do upon completing this program.

Master of Landscape Architecture students will:

1. Design Thinking. Use a variety of processes to discover and frame opportunities, generate multiple possibilities, evaluate and refine ideas, rapidly prototype and test your proposal, and share your ideas in a compelling manner.
2. Communicate with Skill. Use a variety of digital tools to generate design proposals, test those proposals, and share your ideas with others.
3. Tap into Existing Knowledge. Incorporate our best understanding of natural resources, environmental systems, human development, social systems, professional practice and professional ethics into your work.
4. Technical Competence. Demonstrate the technical competence to translate design proposals into built work.
5. Responsibility and Leadership. Develop and demonstrate a sense of responsibility to the land and the people for whom we design.

Describe how, when, and where these learning outcomes will be assessed.

Describe here:

- Completed course assignments as assessed by faculty
- Design studio reviews, including special reviews with external/visiting practitioners
- MLA program committee curriculum assessment and periodic revision
- LAAB Accreditation visits including a review of syllabi and student work for evidence of learning outcomes

Identify faculty expectations for students' achievement of each of the stated student learning outcomes. What score, rating, or level of expertise will signify that students have met each outcome? Provide rating rubrics as necessary.

Explain the process that will be implemented to ensure that assessment results are used to improve student learning.

Program

Description and

Requirements

Attach Documents

Is the career/profession for graduates of this program regulated by the State of Illinois?

Yes

If yes, please describe.

YES, Landscape Architecture is a regulated profession in the United States, with U.S. jurisdictions requiring specific education, experience (in professional practice), and examination requirements to qualify for state-based licensure. Continuing education documentation is also required to maintain licensure over the years.

The State of Illinois regulates the practice of landscape architecture through its Title Act statute under the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. The MLA program at the University of Illinois is an LAAB-accredited program through the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB) which satisfies the education requirement under the licensure standard in the State of Illinois.

The Council of Landscape Architecture Registration Boards (CLARB) and the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA) Licensure & Government Affairs Committee provide oversight and resources for states, including the State of Illinois, to uphold these licensure standards in keeping with the stated objective/responsibility of the profession to protect life, safety, and welfare of the public and natural resources and systems.

Program of Study

Baccalaureate degree requires at least 120 semester credit hours or 180 quarter credit hours and at least 40 semester credit hours (60 quarter credit hours) in upper division courses" (source: <https://www.ibhe.org/assets/files/PublicAdminRules2017.pdf>). For proposals for new bachelor's degrees, if this minimum is not explicitly met by specifically-required 300- and/or 400-level courses, please provide information on how the upper-division hours requirement will be satisfied.

Revised programs [MLA FA 23 side by side.docx](#)

Attach a revised Sample Sequence (for undergraduate program)

or college-level forms.

Catalog Page Text - Overview Tab

Description of program for the catalog page. This is not official content, it is used to help build the new catalog page for the program. Can be edited in the catalog by the college or department.

Students with a BLA from an LAAB Accredited program will enter the Post-Professional Program. Students with a BLA from a non-LAAB Accredited program and students with other undergraduate design degrees (such as Architecture) will enter the Pre-Professional Program with advanced standing, with any required courses waived if taken during their undergraduate degree. Students with no prior design background will enter the full 3-year Pre-Professional program.

During the course of the first year, Post-Professional students will determine whether they will either complete a thesis or advanced studios in their second year. During the course of the second year, students in the Pre-Professional program will determine whether they will either complete a thesis or advanced studios in their final year.

Master of Landscape Architecture Thesis Option

The thesis path entails working with a thesis committee under the supervision of a faculty advisor (aka the thesis committee chair) to pursue in-depth, independent work of relevance to landscape architecture and accomplishing one or more of the following goals:

- Demonstrate an innovative application of existing knowledge within the field
- Analyze, critically examine, and/or empirically test ideas/theories
- Creatively synthesize, expand upon, and/or develop designs/theories

Master of Landscape Architecture Advanced Design Studio Option

The goals of advanced design studios include:

- advancing one's general design knowledge and skills
- learning to engage more complex landscape systems through design
- developing facility with a wider range of site and systems analysis tools
- integrating research methods into design studio problems
- using tools to evaluate landscape performance of proposed designs

Statement for

Programs of
Study Catalog

Post-Professional Master of Landscape Architecture

For students who have completed a BLA in an LAAB Accredited Program. Typically completed in 2 years.

Thesis Option

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
Studio		
LA 533	Planning & Design Studio I	5
LA 534	Design Workshop G-I	5
Thesis		
LA 599	Thesis Research	10

Code	Title	Hours
Additional Seminars and Coursework		
LA 482	Advanced Communication in Landscape Architecture	4
LA 501	Landscape Arch Theory & Prac	4
LA 513	History of World Landscapes	4
LA 597	Research Design & Methods	3
Additional Required Electives chosen in consultation with MLA Advisor		
Social/Cultural Aspects of Design		
Ecology		
Method		
Total Minimum Hours		48

Advanced Studio Option

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
Studio		
LA 533	Planning & Design Studio I	5
LA 534	Design Workshop G-I	5
LA 537	Planning & Design Studio II	5
LA 539	Design Workshop G-II	5
Additional Seminars and Coursework		
LA 482	Advanced Communication in Landscape Architecture	4
LA 501	Landscape Arch Theory & Prac	4
LA 513	History of World Landscapes	4
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Pre-Professional Master of Landscape Architecture

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Course List

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The following coursework is required of MLA students in the Pre-Professional degree program. These courses do not count toward the graduate degree.		
LA 241	Landform Design & Construction	3
LA 250	Environmental Site Analysis	3
LA 280	Design Communications I	3
LA 281	Design Communications II	3
LA 342	Site Engineering	4
LA 343	Landscape Construction	4
LA 346	Professional Practice	2
LA 390	Independent Study I	4
LA 352	<u>Woody Landscape Plants</u>	<u>4</u>

Thesis Option

Course List

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LA 433	Graduate Foundation Studio	5
LA 434	Graduate Site Design Studio	5
LA 533	Planning & Design Studio I	5
LA 534	Design Workshop G-I	5
Thesis		
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Additional Seminars/Coursework		
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LA 482	Advanced Communication in Landscape Architecture	4
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Other Requirements

Grad Other Degree Requirements

Requirement	Description
Minimum 400-500 level hours within the Unit	24
Minimum 500-level hours required overall	18
Minimum GPA	3.0

Corresponding Degree MLA Master of Landscape Architecture

Program Features

Academic Level Graduate

Does this major have transcripted concentrations? No

What is the typical time to completion of this program?
3 years

What are the minimum Total Credit Hours required for this program?
48

What is the required GPA? 3.0

CIP Code 303301 - Sustainability Studies.

Is This a Teacher Certification Program?
No

Will specialized accreditation be sought for this program?

Yes

Describe the plans for seeking specialized accreditation:

This program is Accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB). The program undergoes accreditation review every 6 years. The next accreditation will take place AY 2025-2026.

Delivery Method

This program is available:

On Campus - Students are required to be on campus, they may take some online courses.

Admission Requirements

Desired Effective Admissions Term

Is this revision a change to the admission status of the program?

No

Provide a brief narrative description of the admission requirements for this program. Where relevant, include information about licensure requirements, student background checks, GRE and TOEFL scores, and admission requirements for transfer students.

The minimum required undergraduate GPA for admission is 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or a comparable GPA for international applicants. GRE not required for admission. We use Graduate School minimums for English proficiency except we will not consider applicants with TOEFL Scores lower than 89. Personal Statement required. Portfolio required for applicants with design degree. Not required for applicants with non-degree background although encouraged to share creative work if available. Three letters of rec.

Enrollment

Describe how this revision or phase down/elimination will impact enrollment and degrees awarded. If this is an elimination/phase down proposal include the plans for the students left in the program.

No impact.

Estimated Annual Number of Degrees Awarded

Year One Estimate

5th Year Estimate (or when fully implemented)

What is the matriculation term for this program? Fall

Budget

Are there budgetary implications for this revision? No

Will the program or revision require staffing (faculty, advisors, etc.) beyond what is currently available?

No

Additional Budget Information

Attach File(s)

Financial Resources

How does the unit intend to financially support this proposal?

Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources?

No

Attach letters of support

What tuition rate do you expect to charge for this program? e.g, Undergraduate Base Tuition, or Engineering Differential, or Social Work Online (no dollar amounts necessary)

Are you seeking a change in the tuition rate or differential for this program?

No

Is this program requesting self-supporting status?

No

Faculty Resources

Please address the impact on faculty resources including any changes in numbers of faculty, class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratios, etc.

No impact.

Library Resources

Describe your proposal's impact on the University Library's resources, collections, and services. If necessary please consult with the appropriate disciplinary specialist within the University Library.

Library collections, resources and services are sufficient to support this MLA revision.

EP Documentation

EP Control Number EP.24.042

Attach Rollback/Approval Notices

This proposal requires HLC inquiry No

DMI Documentation

Attach Final Approval Notices

Banner/Codebook Name MLA:Lndscpe Architecture -UIUC

Program Code: 10KS0156MLA

Minor Conc Degree MLA Major

Code Code Code Code 0156

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Attached
Document
Justification for
this request

Program Reviewer
Comments **Brooke Newell (bsnewell) (09/05/23 11:57 am):** Rollback: Side by side document. Email sent to Nicole
Brooke Newell (bsnewell) (09/08/23 9:03 am): Rollback: Related proposals. Email sent to Nicole
Allison McKinney (agrindly) (10/31/23 10:53 am): Administratively approved by the Graduate College.

Landscape Architecture, MLA

for the degree of Master of Landscape Architecture in Landscape Architecture

For additional details and requirements refer to the department's [Graduate Handbook](#) and the [Graduate College Handbook](#).

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Thesis

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Additional Required Electives chosen in consultation with MLA Advisor

Social/Cultural Aspects of Design

Ecology

Method

Total Minimum Hours 48

Advanced Studio Option

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History

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Deb Forgacs
(dforgacs)
2. May 7, 2019 by
Linda Robbennolt
(weasel)
3. Feb 26, 2020 by
Nicole Turner
(nicturn)
4. Mar 3, 2022 by
Lori Davis (drlori)
5. Apr 26, 2022 by
Deb Forgacs
(dforgacs)

Major (ex. Special Education)

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Revision

Administration Details

Official Program Name	Landscape Architecture, BLA
Diploma Title	
Sponsor College	Fine & Applied Arts
Sponsor Department	Landscape Architecture
Sponsor Name	Lori Davis

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1569 - Committee Chair

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No

Why are these changes necessary?

1- LA 390 is an independent study that had a section on Woody Landscape Plants for 4 hours, which was created after HORT stopped offering the HORT 301 requirement for Woody Landscape Plants in the BLA major. LA has now created a permanent course to match the same requirement, LA 352. No changes to major hours or total degree hours.

2- Adding total degree hours and advanced hours statement at the top of the POS as requested from the office of the provost

Minimum of 40 advanced hours are met by:

LA 314 - 4 hrs

LA 342 - 4 hrs

LA 343 - 4 hrs

LA 452 - 3 hrs

LA 335 - 5 hrs

LA 336 - 5 hrs

LA 437 - 5 hrs

LA 438- 5 hrs

LA 346 - 2 hrs

LA 352 - 4 hrs

Instructional Resources

Will there be any reduction in other course offerings, programs or concentrations by your department as a result of this new program/proposed change?

No

Does this new program/proposed change result in the replacement of another program?

No

Does the program include other courses/subjects outside of the sponsoring department impacted by the creation/revision of this program?

No

Program Regulation and Assessment

Plan to Assess and Improve Student Learning

Illinois Administrative Code: 1050.30(b)(1)(D) Provision is made for guidance and counseling of students, evaluations of student performance, continuous monitoring of progress of students toward their degree objectives and appropriate academic record keeping.

List the program's student learning outcomes. Each outcome should identify what students are expected to know and/or be able to do upon completing this program.

Our stated learning objectives for BLA students are as follows

(<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/landscape-architecture-bla/learning-outcomes/>):

- Knowledge & Reasoning. Acquire and apply broad and deep knowledge across academic disciplines and fields and use this knowledge to develop design proposals.
- Natural World. Use knowledge of natural resource opportunities and constraints that impact land use and design decisions and activities.
- Social Awareness. Develop and use an understanding of social and cultural influences on human behavior and the social, political, economic, and legal institutions that influence land-use and design decisions.
- Creative Inquiry and Discovery. Employ creative inquiry, a range of analytical skills, and general knowledge to develop design proposals, solve problems, generate new ideas, and produce creative work.
- Responsibility and Leadership. Develop and demonstrate a sense of responsibility to the land and the people for whom we design.

Sasaki Day is the single most important assessment tool that we have, and we conduct it as a faculty together with external design critics so that we can gain an objective perspective on how the students are doing, and thus how we as a program are doing. Students are invited to post work; faculty develop a short list of students to present on the day itself; selected students prepare 5-minute presentations of the problem, methodology, data, analysis, conceptualization and representation. The Sasaki Lecturer and members of the Resource Committee serve as reviewers and select the winning projects.

Course instructors administer desk critiques. For pin-ups and reviews, the instructors invite faculty from inside the department, faculty from other university units, practitioners, affiliates with specialized expertise, and MLA and PhD students.

The evaluation of student performance is the responsibility of individual faculty members in their respective courses. Department oversight of student performance is by means of monitoring grade point averages.

Progress Rule: In the curriculum, normal progress towards the degree is imperative. A student failing to complete any required course, in both landscape architecture and non-LA required courses, more than one semester later than the time designated in the curriculum may be denied registration in landscape architectural courses until the deficiency is corrected.

GPA Rule: Continuing students must have a minimum 2.0 all-university grade point average in order to remain as a student in good standing in the program.

Describe how, when, and where these learning outcomes will be assessed.

Describe here:

Identify faculty expectations for students' achievement of each of the stated student learning outcomes. What score, rating, or level of expertise will signify that students have met each outcome? Provide rating rubrics as necessary.

Explain the process that will be implemented to ensure that assessment results are used to improve student learning.

Program

Description and

Requirements

Attach Documents

Is the career/profession for graduates of this program regulated by the State of Illinois?

Yes

If yes, please describe.

From the IDFPR website:

Please note, as of August 6, 2021, a new Landscape Architect Act has been signed into law by the Governor and is effective immediately. As a result, the use of the title of "registered landscape architect" and other iterations are once again protected under the Act and regulated by official registration issued by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

Updates for this profession will be posted on the Department website as information becomes available.

The Department thanks you in advance for your patience as we work to facilitate the re-registration of this profession, promulgate the applicable Administrative Rules and provide instructions on how to obtain registration.

Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact the Department at 1-800-560-6420.

See: <https://www.idfpr.com/profs/LandScapeArch.asp>

Program of Study

Baccalaureate degree requires at least 120 semester credit hours or 180 quarter credit hours and at least 40 semester credit hours (60 quarter credit hours) in upper division courses" (source: <https://www.ibhe.org/assets/files/PublicAdminRules2017.pdf>). For proposals for new bachelor's degrees, if this minimum is not explicitly met by specifically-required 300- and/or 400-level courses, please provide information on how the upper-division hours requirement will be satisfied.

Revised programs [BLA FA 23 sample schedule.docx](#)

Attach a revised Sample Sequence (for undergraduate program)
or college-level forms.

Catalog Page Text - Overview Tab

Description of program for the catalog page. This is not official content, it is used to help build the new catalog page for the program. Can be edited in the catalog by the college or department.

for the degree of Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
department website: <https://landarch.illinois.edu/>

department faculty: <https://landarch.illinois.edu/faculty/>

overview of college admissions & requirements: <http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/faq/academic-units/>
college website: <https://faa.illinois.edu/>

email: ladept@illinois.edu

The department's administrative office, upper-level studios, faculty offices, and classrooms are located in Temple Hoyne Buell Hall. The department also has a studio is located in Mumford Hall.

Statement for

Programs of
Study Catalog

[Minimum hours for graduation is 124, to include a minimum of 40 hours of upper-division coursework generally at the 300- and 400-level. These hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree.](#)

General Education Requirements ~~Landscape Architecture Curriculum~~

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
	Some courses may fulfill multiple General Education categories. Courses may also fulfill both major requirements and Gen Ed categories.	
	Composition I	4
	Advanced Composition (LA 314 fulfills)	
	Quantitative Reasoning I (these courses fulfill):	3
	STAT 100 Statistics	
	or MATH 115 Preparation for Calculus	
	Quantitative Reasoning II	3
	Humanities and the Arts (LA 314 fulfills)	
	Humanities and the Arts	3
	Cultural Studies: Western Comparative Cultures (LA 314 fulfills)	
	Cultural Studies: U.S. Minority Culture(s)	3
	Cultural Studies: Non-Western Cultures	3
	Natural Sciences & Technology (these courses fulfill)	6-8
	GEOL 100 Planet Earth	
	or GGIS 103 Earth's Physical Systems	
	IB 103 Introduction to Plant Biology	
	or IB 105 Environmental Biology	
	Social and Behavioral Sciences	6
	Total	31-33
	Language Other than English	0-12

[Specifics of the language requirements are listed in the Course Explorer.](#)

Landscape Architecture Curriculum

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
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Code	Title	Hours
College Orientation		
		1
FAA 101	Arts at Illinois	1
Math		
STAT 100	Statistics	3
or MATH 115	Preparation for Calculus	
Earth		
GGIS 103	Earth's Physical Systems	4
or GEOL 100	Planet Earth	
Biology		
IB 103	Introduction to Plant Biology	4
or IB 105	Environmental Biology	
Construction, Plant Materials & Design, History, & Design Communications		
		29
LA 101	Introduction to Landscape Arch	2
LA 241	Landform Design & Construction	3
LA 250	Environmental Site Analysis	3
LA 280	Design Communications I	3
LA 281	Design Communications II	3
LA 314	History of World Landscapes	4
LA 342	Site Engineering	4
LA 343	Landscape Construction	4
LA 452	Planting Design	3
Design Studio Courses		
		30
LA 233	Foundation Design Studio	5
LA 234	Site Design Studio	5
LA 335	Community & Open Space Studio	5
LA 336	Design Workshop Studio I	5
LA 437	Regional Design Studio	5
LA 438	Design Workshop Studio II	5
Professional Preparation		
		2
LA 346	Professional Practice	2
Focused Electives		
		18
Focused electives are required of all BLA student to graduate and must be approved by the BLA Advisor during an advising appointment.		
Urban & Regional Planning		
		3
UP 101	Introduction to City Planning	3
Horticulture		
		4
LA 390	Independent Study I (Woody Landscape Plants)	4
LA 352	Woody Landscape Plants	4

Course List

Code	Title	Hours
Total Credits for BLA		
General Education		31-33
Language Other than English		0-12
Landscape Architecture Curriculum		87
Free Electives		0-2
Total Credit Hours Required		124

Corresponding Degree BLA Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Program Features

Academic Level Undergraduate

Does this major have transcribed concentrations? No

What is the typical time to completion of this program?
4 years

What are the minimum Total Credit Hours required for this program?
124

CIP Code 303301 - Sustainability Studies.

Is This a Teacher Certification Program?
No

Will specialized accreditation be sought for this program?
No

Delivery Method

This program is available:

On Campus - Students are required to be on campus, they may take some online courses.

Admission Requirements

Desired Effective Admissions Term Fall 2023

Is this revision a change to the admission status of the program?

No

Provide a brief narrative description of the admission requirements for this program. Where relevant, include information about licensure requirements, student background checks, GRE and TOEFL scores, and admission requirements for transfer students.

Office of Undergraduate Admissions determines the admissions criteria for the BLA.

Transfer Applicants: To be eligible for admission, they must have minimum 30 transferable hours and 2.50 GPA, and completed English composition, Pre-Calculus or Trigonometry, Physical Geography or Geology, Plant or Environmental Biology, Quantitative Reasoning 1, and 2 of the 3 campus-required units of foreign language. An introductory drawing or design course is strongly recommended.

Enrollment

Describe how this revision or phase down/elimination will impact enrollment and degrees awarded. If this is an elimination/phase down proposal include the plans for the students left in the program.

No impact.

Estimated Annual Number of Degrees Awarded

Year One Estimate

5th Year Estimate (or when fully implemented)

What is the matriculation term for this program?
Fall

Budget

Are there budgetary implications for this revision?
No

Will the program or revision require staffing (faculty, advisors, etc.) beyond what is currently available?

No

Additional Budget Information

Attach File(s)

Financial Resources

How does the unit intend to financially support this proposal?

This program proposal does not require additional resources which need to be financially supported.

Will the unit need to seek campus or other external resources?

No

Attach letters of support

What tuition rate do you expect to charge for this program? e.g, Undergraduate Base Tuition, or Engineering Differential, or Social Work Online (no dollar amounts necessary)

Undergraduate, College of Fine & Applied Arts rate

Are you seeking a change in the tuition rate or differential for this program?

No

Faculty Resources

Please address the impact on faculty resources including any changes in numbers of faculty, class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratios, etc.

No impact.

Library Resources

Describe your proposal's impact on the University Library's resources, collections, and services. If necessary please consult with the appropriate disciplinary specialist within the University Library.

Library collections, resources and services are sufficient to support this BLA revision.

EP Documentation

EP Control Number EP.24.042

Attach Rollback/Approval Notices

This proposal requires HLC inquiry No

DMI Documentation

Attach Final Approval Notices

Banner/Codebook Name BLA:Lndscpe Architecture -UIUC

Program Code: 10KR0156BLA

Minor Code	Conc Code	Degree Code	BLA	Major Code
0156				

Senate Approval Date

Senate Conference Approval Date

BOT Approval Date

IBHE Approval Date

HLC Approval

Date

DOE Approval

Date

Effective Date:

Attached

Document

Justification for
this request

Program Reviewer **Brooke Newell (bsnewell) (10/06/23 2:44 pm)**: Rollback: Email sent to Nicole
Comments

Landscape Architecture, BLA

First Year			
FIRST SEMESTER	HOURS	SECOND SEMESTER	HOURS
FAA 101	1	LA 281	3
Free Elective	1	Math 115 or STAT 100 (meets QR I)	3
LA 280	3	GEOL 100 or GGIS 103	3
Composition I or Language Other than English (3rd level)	4	Composition I or Language Other than English (3rd level)	4
IB 103 or 105	3	General Education	3
LA 101	2		
	14		17
Second Year			
FIRST SEMESTER	HOURS	SECOND SEMESTER	HOURS
LA 233	5	LA 234	5
LA 241	3	LA 250	3
UP 101	3	Focused Elective	4
General Education	3	General Education course	3
General Education	3		
	18		15
Third Year			
FIRST SEMESTER	HOURS	SECOND SEMESTER	HOURS
LA 335	5	LA 336	5
LA 342	4	LA 343	4
LA 352	4	LA 314	4
LA 346	2	Focused Elective	3
	15		16
Fourth Year			
FIRST SEMESTER	HOURS	SECOND SEMESTER	HOURS
LA 437	5	LA 438	5
LA 452	3	General Education	3
Focused Elective	3	Focused Elective	4
General Education	3	Focused Elective	4
	14		16
Total Hours 124			