



Bachelor of Architecture

Accreditation:	National Architectural Accrediting Board
Program:	First Professional Degree in Architecture
Length:	Six and a half to seven years (may be shorter depending on prior academic and work experience)
Location:	Our Back Bay location makes us a center for lectures on architecture, landscape design, interior design, real estate development, and city planning. Our main building at 320 Newbury Street is accessible by public transportation and convenient to those working in and around downtown Boston.
Academic Component:	<p>The program has three segments covering the following curricular areas: Design, Design Media, History and Theory, Technology and Management, Arts and Sciences, and Professional Electives. Classes are held in the late afternoon and evening.</p> <p>Segment I: Foundation. Students in Foundation acquire basic knowledge, skills, and awareness in both general and professional education.</p> <p>Segment II: Integration. Students explore – in depth and breadth – the field of architectural design. Emphasis is on integrating skills, knowledge, and awareness. Students typically qualify for receipt of the Bachelor of Design Studies at this point in their professional program.</p> <p>Segment III: Synthesis. Students pursue advanced professional courses related to individual interest. Segment III concludes with a Degree Project.</p> <p>Degree Project. The Degree Project is completed over two semesters. Each student engages in a project covering the design process from conception to documentation.</p>
Practice Component:	The Practice Component of the Educational Program is the daytime “laboratory” portion of the BAC’s concurrent design education. Students work in a paid position in a design firm during the day. Approximately one-third of the total credits for graduation are earned through the Practice Component. As a result, our graduates usually leave the BAC with substantial resumes, including professional experience and a diverse portfolio, and typically with the ability to sit immediately for the national licensure examination.
Faculty:	Educators and professional practitioners in architecture, interior design, planning, landscape architecture, and allied professions teach at the BAC. Approximately 250 adjunct faculty members serve as instructors and mentors each semester.
Students:	Close to 1000 degree students are enrolled at the college. Students come from all over the United States and overseas. Their academic and professional backgrounds are diverse.
Enrollment:	Students may begin their studies either in the fall or spring semester.
Tuition:	\$8,388 per semester (or \$11,154 per semester for the Academic Only Program) – 2011-12
Financial Aid:	The BAC participates in Federal Pell and Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized loan programs as well as numerous state scholarship programs. All students must be admitted to a BAC degree program before a financial aid award will be made. To receive financial aid (federal or state) students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
Visiting:	Information sessions (monthly) and individual interviews. Contact the Office of Admissions for more information (617-585-0123 or admissions@the-bac.edu)

Curriculum Overview

PREREQUISITE				
Math 1 - Algebraic Structures				
SEGMENT I: FOUNDATION				
Academic Curriculum	Credits	Semester	Credits	Practice Curriculum
Freehand Drawing Design Media 2 Year 1 Seminar Writing 1: Expository Writing	10	Semester 1		
Foundation Design A-1 Design Principles Writing 2: Research Writing	9	Semester 2		A1: Design Initiation A2: Design Implementation
Foundation Design A-2 Design Media 3 Materials and Methods 1	9	Semester 3		B: Construction C: Administration
Foundation Design B-1 Arch Sketch Problem 1 Arch and Design History A Math 2	10	Semester 4		D: Related
Foundation Design B-2 Arch and Design History B Physics	9	Semester 5 Segment 1 Portfolio Review		
	47.0 total		13.5 min.	
SEGMENT II: INTEGRATION				
Arch Sketch Problem 2 Ethics and Political Thought Social Science Core Structures 1	10	Semester 6		
Design Studio C-1 Arch Sketch Problem 3 Arch Programming and Codes Structures 2	10	Semester 7		
Design Studio C-2 Social Science Elective Environmental Systems 1	9	Semester 8		A1: Design Initiation A2: Design Implementation B: Construction
Site Design	1.5	<i>Summer Offering</i>		C: Administration
Design Studio C Elective Design Workshop Elective Design Media 4	9	Progress Review Semester 9		D: Related
Arts & Sciences Elective Physical Science Elective Humanities Elective	9	Segment II Portfolio Review Semester 10		
Arts & Sciences Elective Environmental Systems 2	4.5			
Design C Designated Elective Professional Practice Materials and Methods 2	9	Semester 11		
	109		40.5 min.	
SEGMENT III: SYNTHESIS				
Ideas and Society Contemporary Architecture Arts & Sciences Elective	9	Semester 12		A1: Design Initiation A2: Design Implementation
Degree Project Studio 1 History and Theory Elective Argument and Narrative 1	10	Semester 13		B: Construction C: Administration
Degree Project Studio 2 Argument and Narrative 2	7	Semester 14		D: Related
	26		13.5 min.	
Totals	135 Academic Credits			54 Practice Credits